

Chapter 6 Community Facilities and Infrastructure

6.1. A number of representations to the 2012 consultation sought proposals in the Local Plan to provide community facilities or infrastructure. Where reasonable options exist they are included in this consultation to help inform the new Local Plan.

Issue 8: Hospice Provision

A representation was made to the Council's 2012 Issues and Options consultation in relation to hospice provision. Hospices provide palliative care for the terminally and seriously ill. They form an important part of community infrastructure and include the Arthur Rank Hospice on Mill Road, Cambridge and the East Anglia Children's Hospices at Milton. Along with Cambridge City Council, the Council is continuing to investigate site options as part of the preparation of the draft Local Plan.

Question 8:

Are there any sites which might be suitable for allocation for new hospice provision?

Please provide any comments.

Issue 9: Residential Moorings on the River Cam

The Conservators of the River Cam have expressed their disappointment that the 2012 consultation did not identify the River Cam as a piece of major infrastructure. The Council recognises the importance of the river to the district and will ensure this is included in the new Local Plan. The Conservators specifically seek the allocation of a marina for 'offline' residential moorings for 60-80 narrowboats on the River Cam at Chesterton Fen, each between 15-20m in length. The Cambridge Local Plan 2006 has an allocation adjacent to the administrative boundary in Chesterton Fen for off-river moorings and the City Council is consulting in its Part 2 Issues and Options 2 consultation on whether to carry forward the allocation. Land adjoining the City site in South Cambridgeshire could be considered to provide a larger site, subject to detailed consideration, although this would not provide the scale of site the Conservators are seeking. No specific proposal has been put forward and further work would need to be done to demonstrate whether an appropriate scheme could be achieved, having regard to the sensitivity of the river frontage. It is put forward for consultation to explore the potential of this site.

Option CF1: Residential Moorings at Fen Road is shown on the Milton Fen Road Map in Chapter 9.

Question 9:

Do you support or object to the site option for a residential moorings at Fen Road and why?

Please provide any comments.

Option CF1: Residential Moorings at Fen Road



Representation Numbers:

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Pros:

- Greenfield site with the potential for off river moorings which could ease some of the congestion on this part of the river.
- Close to outdoor sports facilities and accessible natural greenspace.
- Close to proposed Cambridge Science Park railway station.
- Good cycling links.
- Potential to enhance riparian habitats.

Cons:

- Distance from City and local centres.
- Known archaeology in the vicinity, detailed assessment would be required ahead of any development.
- Impact on landscape and local character.
- Impact on riverside path would need to be addressed.

Issue 10: Provision of New Burial Grounds

Gamlingay Parish Council sought to secure a site for a burial ground in the last plan but was not able to convince the Local Plan Inspectors of the need for provision of a new burial ground in the short term or the suitability of the site then under consideration. Gamlingay Parish Council has made representations seeking advice in the new Local Plan on how to provide a new burial ground. Hauxton Parish Council has made representations seeking a burial site for the village but has not provided a particular site.

Question 10:

Do you own land that could provide suitable new burial ground facilities to meet needs over the next 20 years for:

A: Gamlingay

B: Hauxton

Please provide any comments.