Cambridge East Community Forum - 9 July 2024

Questions and Responses

	Question	Response
Marleigh • Update P3 - Kate Poyser, GCSPS • Update Residents Meeting – Amelia Sellek, Hill • Site Update – Ben Page, Hill • Hangar Building and Estate Management – Land Trust – Chris Valdus and Thomas Parkin		
1.	What are the plans to get a long-term staff member in place at the Hanger? This question was asked at the March Forum.	There is an ongoing process running at present in relation to the previous permanent staff member and there is not yet a decision about their return or long-term staffing arrangements.
2.	We want a staff member who is genuinely committed to Marleigh and the community here and whom we know is available and who is helping build the community. We have asked this question at the March Forum, at the Hill Residents Meeting in June and just now and have not received satisfactory answer – could we have a clear indication of date we can hold you to so that we are not in the same position at the next meeting?	The Trust is working to clarify the position with regards to the Estate and Facilities Officer as soon as possible and will communicate this to residents and partners. We anticipate having clarity ahead of the next Forum meeting and recognise the importance of stability in staffing in our work within the Hangar Building and wider landscape maintenance. We will provide further information ahead of the next meeting if the current position changes. We apologise that we have not been able to provide any significant clarity on this point to date.
3.	There are three people here who have not received a letter – could you make sure the letter is sent to all residents?	The letter was sent to resident's who are registered to pay service charge across Marleigh. If you have not received this or are aware of some who haven't received this – please contact us and we can resend.
4.	Could we have a central location for information such as in the Hangar	A weekly update is being emailed to residents who have signed up for this update. In a recent letter to residents regarding the Building User Group, the

	Building? And a process by which information is kept updated.	Trust re-iterated the need to 'opt in' to receive emails from the Trust. (The Building User Group will give residents and other stakeholders a role in decision-making in the management of the Hanger.) Residents wishing to receive emails should contact us via marleigh@thelandtrust.org.uk and we will include appropriate information. Land Trust are printing weekly bookings and posting in the window of the Hangar Building. As with the weekly mailing, posters for upcoming events/ activities can be posted within the Hangar which remains open Monday-Friday 9am – 5pm.
New Developments and Schools Alan Fitz, Cambridgeshire County Council, Cambridge East, and Education		
5.	We understand that the Primary School at Springstead Village is not likely to be available until 2027/2028. Please can you clarify the number of places available in existing Local Schools	Please see Annexe 1: Response to Question 5 below showing the current position regarding current capacity in Local Schools.
6.	It is difficult to predict the numbers of pupils expected at local schools – can this information be provided?	Cambridgeshire County Council completes pupil forecasts each July and shares this information with all schools.
7.	You mentioned that Galfrid School has capacity for additional students. This school is reducing to single form entry and there are some smaller new developments in the area - what impact will this have on capacity?	In 2024/25 Galfrid will operate with a Published Admission Number (PAN) of 30 in Reception (age 4+) and one of 60 in other year groups. In future years, the PAN in reception will also be 30 so that eventually the school will have an operational capacity of 210. The Admissions and Place Planning Team monitor the local situation and if numbers in a year group increase sufficiently to merit an additional class, then, officers will work with the school to accommodate these children. The school has indicated that it is willing to admit catchment children if it can do so with a viable organisational structure.
Springstead Village Alexis Butterfield – (PTE) • Update RMA5 • Community Engagement Process including Public Art • Update Temporary Community Facility		

	When will the Temporary Community Facility open?	We are expecting to open in October/November 2024; however, we are in discussions with the community group who will be running the space about when they will be ready to open doors.

East Barnwell Surgery- Lucy Winchester, Primary Care Contracts Business Partner and Lisa Smith, Primary Care Contracting Manager

Update provided post forum: Update on East Barnwell Health Centre – July 2024

NHS Cambridgeshire & Peterborough ICB were notified by the current providers of GP services at East Barnwell Health Centre of their intention to end their current contract on 9 October 2024.
The ICB, the organisation who are responsible for commissioning (buying) primary care services locally, have launched an open procurement process to find a new provider of general practice services for East Barnwell Health Centre from 10 October 2024.

Patients can continue to access services at the surgery in the same way as they always have during this time, and the ICB is working alongside community groups to ensure that feedback from patients is taken onboard as part of the procurement process.

The new provider will be announced at the end of August 2024.

For further information please visit: www.cpics.org.uk/east-barnwell

8.	Will GPs currently working at the practice continue to work there when the new provider is in place?	In England there are laws in place that allow some staff in certain circumstances to be transferred over to a new employer. This is known as TUPE. TUPE stands for Transfer of Undertakings (Protection of Employment) and is designed to protect employment rights when a business changes ownership, allowing employees to transfer to the new providers should they wish. We expect that TUPE will apply to any employed (salaried) GPs. TUPE does not apply to GP partners. If current Partners would want to work at the practice after a new provider is in place, this would need to be agreed between the Partners and the new provider.
9.	Will the new contract be the same as the old contract?	No, the current contract is a General Medical Services (GMS) contract which is held in perpetuity (without a fixed end date). We are unable to enter into new GMS contracts, due to changes in procurement rules that were made since East Barnwell Surgery was initially offered the GMS contract. This means the ICB will be awarding an Alternative Provider Medical Services (APMS) contract. APMS contracts are time limited and can be held by a suitable

		qualified provider. Whilst time limited, the length of an APMS contract is significant, with a seven-year initial term and the potential to extend for an additional three years.
10.	This is alarming news – why haven't we heard before?	Whilst we did make an announcement earlier in the year, after being notified by the practice of their intention to hand back their contract, we were previously not able to talk about this as much as we normally would due to pre-election rules. These rules place restrictions on what publicly funded organisations can say during an election campaign, so as not to influence the outcome of the election. We understand that the practice has informed patients of their decision to hand back the contract and provided an update on their website and their Facebook page. We will provide further information to be shared including some information that can be printed and put on local notice boards. The ICB have now created an East Barnwell page on their website: www.cpics.org.uk/east-barnwell, which we will use to share updates with the community too.
11.	Can patients be involved in decision-making about the new providers? *Note following meeting: Three attendees of the Forum volunteered for the Patient Panel which will be part of the evaluation process and the team are confident they have a fair representation.* We are concerned about a deprived area losing GPs who are part of the community. How can we influence ICB decision-making?	The ICB has been working with Abbey People to ensure that patients are involved in decision-making as part of the procurement process. Several patients registered with East Barnwell Surgery will be invited to join the procurement panel, which means they will help to evaluate and score each provider's bid for the new contract. Abbey People is also kindly maintaining a list of local people who would be willing to be involved in a Patient Participation Group when this is re-launched by the new provider. Presenters invited attendees to speak to them at the end of the Forum about getting involved in the procurement evaluation process. We understand the impact this is likely to have on the community and that this was a very difficult decision for the current Partnership at East Barnwell. The ICB will continue to work through the procurement process to ensure that ongoing GP services are delivered from East Barnwell from 10 October. Residents can share concerns and comments with the following:

		NHS Cambridgeshire & Peterborough Integrated Care Board (ICB) Patient Experience Team cpicb.pet@nhs.net 0800 279 2535 If you would rather speak to an organisation that is independent from the ICB, please contact Healthwatch via the following details: Healthwatch Contact us | Healthwatch Cambridgeshire Phone: 0330 355 1285 Text: 0752 0635 176 Post: Healthwatch Cambridgeshire, Maple Centre, 6 Oak Drive, Huntingdon, PE29 7HN. Email:enquiries@healthwatchcambspboro.co.uk
12.	I am concerned that neither Marleigh nor Springstead Village have received additional GP provision through developer contributions?	Both Marleigh and Springstead Village have legal agreements which secure financial contributions to support the increase in patient numbers through the expansion of existing surgeries offsite. (Philippa Kelly, GCPD)
13.	I stayed with my previous GP when I moved house but would like to transfer to East Barnwell as its much closer – can I still transfer? Will I have to go on a waiting list?	At present East Barnwell is only accepting registration of people who have a family member registered with the practice. When the new provider is in place in October – they will be accepting new registrations as normal.
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14.	Could we invite Stagecoach to the next Forum to answer concerns about their current provision?	We will invite to Stagecoach to the next Forum to present.
15.	Will there be information provided on smaller developments in East Barnwell at this Forum?	We can think about how to include in the Forum and could cover in our planning update for the next Forum.

Annexe 1: Response to Question 5

SCHOOLS IN CAMBRIDGE EAST

COMPARISON OF PUPIL ROLL AGAINST CAPACITY - JANUARY 2024 BASE

Schools	Age 4+	Age 5+	Age 6+	Age 7+	Age 8+	Age 9+	Age 10+	Total Roll	Physical Capacity	Surplus+ /Deficit-	Operational Capacity	Surplus+ /Deficit-
Bewick Bridge	30	30	24	28	26	25	29	192	420	228	210	18
Cherry Hinton CE	25	22	21	27	18	25	26	164	210	46	210	46
Colville	30	29	29	31	33	28	29	209	420	211	210	1
Fen Ditton	16	21	21	23	22	23	20	146	175	29	175	29
Marleigh	23	15	15	7	10	10	4	84	420	336	120	36
Spinney	30	28	29	30	29	30	29	205	210	5	210	5
Teversham CE	21	22	28	22	27	29	24	173	210	37	210	37
The Galfrid	42	34	32	37	41	35	46	267	630	363	420	153
Total	**217**	**201**	**199**	**205**	**206**	**205**	**207**	**1440**	**2695**	**1255**	**1765**	**325**

Notes:

The physical capacity is the number of places that the school can provide based on the number of classrooms.

The operational capacity is the number of places that the school can provide based on its current class organization.