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Draft North East Cambridge Area Action Plan Consultation 2020

Response Form

How to use this form

If you are able to, please comment online at www.greatercambridgeplanning.org/nec. You can comment on part or all of the Draft Area Action Plan online, and your response can be analysed more quickly and efficiently if you do so.

If you wish to comment using this form, please note we will transcribe all your responses into our online consultation system, and they will be published as part of our consultation feedback.

There are three parts to this form. Please fill in the form electronically or in black ink.

All comments must be received by **5pm on Monday 5 October 2020**. Thank you for taking the time to respond to this consultation.

Part A – Your details

- We ask for your name and postal address because the Councils must comply with national regulations for plan-making. We also ask for contact details but it is optional for you to give these. Please be aware that if you do not provide contact details and 'opt-in' to future notifications, we will not be able to notify you of the future stages of the North East Cambridge Area Action Plan.
- Your name will be published alongside your representations on our website, but your email address, address and phone numbers will not.

Part B - Response to the ten big questions

- This section asks you to answer ten important questions about the Area Action Plan. You can answer some or all.
- Each question has a multiple choice answer and the opportunity to add further comments.

Part C – Comments on specific policies and supporting documents

- You can comment on specific policies in the draft Area Action Plan, and on the draft Sustainability Appraisal, draft Habitats Regulations Assessment and draft Policies Map.
- Please copy this part of the form as many times as you require. You should complete a separate response for each policy or supporting document you wish to comment on.

If you need any further information or assistance in completing this form please contact the Greater Cambridge Shared Planning Policy Team on: 01954 713183 or nec@greatercambridgeplanning.org

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Please tick: Yes No

Part B – Response to the ten big questions

1. What do you think about our vision for North East Cambridge?

- Strongly agree
- Agree
- Neither agree nor disagree
- Disagree

I approve of a high density mixed development with strong environmental underpinnings.

- Strongly disagree

2. Are we creating the right walking and cycling connections to the surrounding areas?

- Yes, completely
- Mostly yes
- Neutral
- Mostly not

Further comments:

- Not at all

3. Are the new 'centres' in the right place and do they include the right mix of activity?

- Yes, completely
- Mostly yes
- Neutral
- Mostly not

I really don't know – I find it hard to imagine what the local centres will be like. I do approve of making the station square more of a local centre, but it seems unlikely that I will ever have anything to do with the others.

Not at all

4. Do we have the right balance between new jobs and new homes?

Yes, completely

Mostly yes

Neutral

Mostly not

Not at all

Further comments:

5. Are we are planning for the right community facilities?

Yes, completely

Mostly yes

Neutral

Mostly not

Not at all

Further comments:

6. Do you think that our approach to distributing building heights and densities is appropriate for the location?

- Yes, completely
- Mostly yes
- Neutral
- Mostly not
- Not at all

I think the heights proposed are entirely reasonable and will lead to higher density housing which I think is a good thing.

7. Are we planning for the right mix of public open spaces?

- Yes, completely
- Mostly yes
- Neutral
- Mostly not
- Not at all

Further comments:

8. Are we doing enough to improve biodiversity in and around North East Cambridge?

- Yes, completely
- Mostly yes
- Neutral
- Mostly not
- Not at all

I like the idea of green links to existing green spaces. I think opening up the Chesterton Fen area would be a great achievement – at the moment it feels like a no-go area, and I would be interested to see how you can balance the needs of the traveller communities on Fen Road with the idea of a community green space.

9. Are we doing enough to discourage car travel into this area?

- Yes, completely
- Mostly yes
- Neutral
- Mostly not
- Not at all

Further comments:

10. Are we maximising the role that development at North East Cambridge has to play in responding to the climate crisis?

- Yes, completely
- Mostly yes
- Neutral
- Mostly not
- Not at all

I worry that you are not being ambitious enough with your green targets. Carbon free by 2050 is too little too late for the city as a whole, but new developments have a duty to be at the vanguard of low carbon living. Why not insist that this development is entirely carbon neutral from the start?

Further comments

I think the interaction of the new development with Milton Road is very important. There was talk at one stage of a “green bridge” over Milton Road, and I thought that this was a very good idea. In general that part of Milton Road is not pedestrian friendly and a plan which separates pedestrians and bikes from motor vehicles would be great. Additionally this would allow a redesign of the junctions around the Science Park and Cowley Road – my personal preference would be for a roundabout or a series of roundabouts.

My biggest worry with the whole development is that you will have all the grand ideas but no way to force the people actually building the houses to comply with them. Look at Orchard Park – it looked lovely on paper, but in the flesh it looks tired already with most of the planting feeling unloved. How will this be avoided in NEC??

