

Cambridge City Council – Community Development New Communities Team

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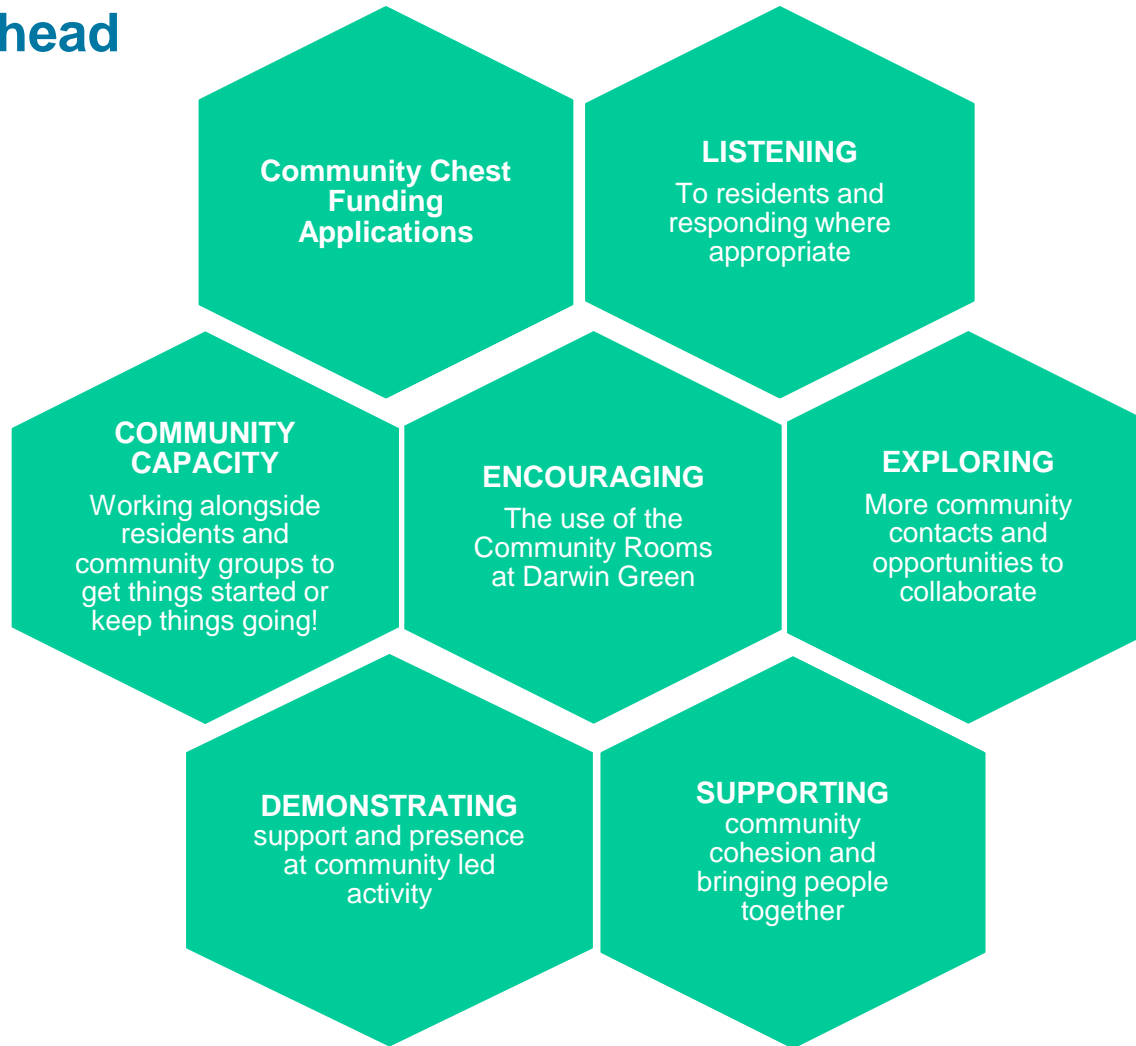
Taking an Asset Based Community Development (ABCD) approach, working alongside people living and working in new communities. Supporting them to establish community activity and action, and ensuring together our growth areas are happy and healthy places to be.

What we've been up to...

- Community walkabouts in Darwin Green
- Summer Community Picnic in Eddington and Storeys Field Centre
- Pop up Arts and Crafts in Darwin Green
- Holiday Lunches with Cambridge Sustainable Food at Storey's Field Centre
- Darwin Green Steering Group
- Darwin Green Community Rooms open day



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Get in touch!

Email communitydevelopment@cambridge.gov.uk with 'new communities' in the subject header

West and Northwest Community Forums - Survey

- These forums are developed in collaboration between Cambridge City Council and South Cambridgeshire District Council in collaboration with other stakeholders, to ensure that we can bring residents, councils and developers together in a space where sharing and discussions can be had on how local developments are progressing
- Earlier this year, to establish whether the forums were still meeting the needs of those attending, and to gather any ideas for how they develop moving forward, we shared a survey across multiple platforms (e.g. email, WhatsApp groups, social media). The results of which can be summarised as follows...



West and Northwest Community Forums - Survey

1. What day is best for you to hold the forum? It is currently held on either a Wednesday or a Thursday depending on format.

[More Details](#)

Monday	3
Tuesday	6
Wednesday	6
Thursday	4



Currently alternating Wed/Thurs and not enough majority in the survey to change that.

3. For in-person meetings, we have been arranging a "drop-in" prior to the formal meeting. This provides an opportunity for residents to meet with stakeholders involved in the delivery of the new developments and have informal conversations about concerns/benefits/suggestions. Would you like to continue having these? Please use the "other" option to provide any additional comments.

[More Details](#)

Yes	11
No	0
Other	1

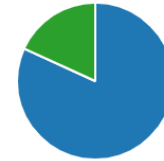


Overwhelming agreement that we should continue to have drop-ins for the in person meetings.

2. We currently rotate the format of each meeting, in-person and then online. Are you happy to continue this trend? We are aware that some residents cannot access the Zoom meetings but equally, others cannot access the in-person meetings so this is considered a happy middle ground. Please use the "other" option to provide any additional comments.

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Only online	0
Only in person	2
Other	0

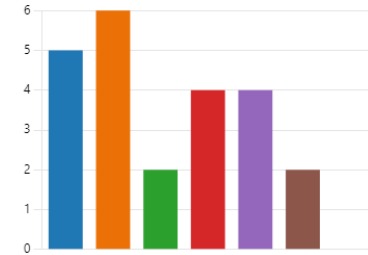


Survey confirms this is the best delivery mechanism.

4. Meetings typically start at 6pm and finish no later than 9pm. Do you think this is still acceptable? There will always be clashes with dinner time, children's bed times and traffic so there is no "easy" time to start. What times suit you? Drop-ins usually take an hour and formal meetings can take up to 2 hours but have been 1 hour more recently.

[More Details](#)

In-person: 5pm for drop-in; 6p...	5
In-person: 6pm for drop-in; 7p...	6
In-person: 7pm for drop-in; 8p...	2
Online: 5pm start	4
Online: 6pm start	4
Online: 7pm start	2
Other	0



Again, not enough of a majority to change the status quo.

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5. To make sure we are tailoring content to your needs, please let us know what speakers, or topics of interest, or organisations you would like to hear from in the future.

- Planning and construction, landscaping and community plans/events and facilities, infrastructure in general with a community feeling. Cambridge Environmental expansion and impact on street life to have priority. Reduction of tarmac and vehicles
- Medical provision; transport
- Updates on development in area
- Sustainability issues surrounding new builds, Community facilities - timescale of building and completion
- Greater Cambridge Partnership congestion charging, site updates, building news in Eddington, Darwin Green etc. Water supply issues in the area, traffic management planning in anticipation of the future big developments
- Energy providers, developers

6. Please provide any additional comments.

- Focus on our coming generations life in a greener, healthier world while not totally forgetting about the elderly population.
- When developers are talking about the various plots, it would be great if they could be clearer about exactly where those plots are on the site. This might require allocating them each a little more time

We will use these to tailor the agenda over 2024



We would love to hear your feedback about today's forum.

Please scan the QR code below which will take you to a short survey that should take a few minutes to fill in. This will help us with future planning of these meetings.

North West and West Community
Forum Feedback - 2nd November
2023

