

Alder Hey Children's NHS Foundation Trust / Liverpool City Council

Community Engagement Meeting

Wednesday 6th December 2023

Notes and actions

Panel

Christina Williams (CW) – LCC

Joanne Kennedy (JK) – LCC

John Grinnell (JG) – AH NHS FT


Jim O'Brien (JOB) – AH NHS FT

Howard Davies (HD) – AH NHS FT

Tracey Cousineau (TC) – AH NHS FT

Mike Martin (MM) – Turkington Martin

Number	Action	Update
1	<p>Commissioner letter regarding swales presented to JG for response.</p> <p>Response to be provided to use of and location of swales.</p>	<p>The commissioners letter provided confirms what the Trust and LCC have been advising, that the swale provides drainage for the development. What this letter does not advise is that the swale is also for the park, as demonstrated pictorially in point 3 of these notes.</p> <p>A condition of the planning application for the park is the drainage strategy for the park land, which is demonstrated again in point three of these notes, where drainage channels flow into the swale. This is the approved drainage solution for the park and must be delivered as part of the planning conditions.</p> <p>To be clear, the swale is for both the park and development, it is on park land, as agreed with LCC, and is the responsibility of AHNHSFT in terms of maintenance until such time when it is adopted by United Utilities.</p> <p>AHNHSFT have investigated reducing the size of the swale and are now confident this can be done, removing the northwest section that runs adjacent to the MUGA.</p> <p>In altering the swale design the Trust are also now confident the three willow trees can be retained.</p>

		<p>The Trust have submitted revised plans for the reduction of the swale and the retention of the willow trees to LCC / LPA to seek formal approval.</p> <p>Once more information is known the community will be informed.</p> <p>The impact of the revised swale design and solution has pushed full completion to early April</p>
2	Update on Histo required.	<p>Estates strategy being updated to review Trust services and their accommodation across the site and in the community. Feasibility study being performed in June 2024, once strategy complete. Current plan for Histo building is to retain for the construction of the new NICU / SDEC building until the end of 2025.</p>
3	Confirmation of park drainage provision - plans to be shared.	<p>Please see plans attached, as shared in the community engagement session in September 23.</p> <p></p> <p>1248-03-CIV-XX-XX-D-C-30000 Proposec</p>
4	Clarification on football pitches being reserve or junior.	<p>Football pitches are 'Sports England approved, reserve, junior, football pitches'.</p> <p>There are two of these pitches.</p> <p>The pitches are often referred to just 'pitches' or 'junior pitches' or 'reserve pitches' for ease of explanation but have always been and will be delivered as the above description.</p>
5	Query over slope of the football pitches.	<p>The pitches have been designed and installed to comply with Sports England's recommendations. Regarding the slope, Sports England's recommendation is that <i>'a constant slope is desirable on all pitches to assist in shedding surface water in periods of heavy rainfall. The slope will also help drainage in areas such as goal mouths where heavy wear and tear would be expected'</i>. They also advise that the slope should be no greater than 1:40, which the pitches are installed within this gradient. Together with the underground pitch drainage for the pitches, that drains</p>

		into the swales, this complies with the requirements of the planning application for the park.
6	Question if tarmac to monument area can be repairs as part of the park works.	The repair to tarmac is not part of the planned park works, however LCC have approached their supplier to price for repair.
7	Confirmation on size of park being handed back.	As per the approved planning application and land exchange agreement = 9.45 hectares.
8	Circulation of meeting minutes and agendas for future meetings.	These notes constitute the minutes of this meeting. Agendas for future meetings will be circulated in advance.
9	Update on community information leaflets and how community can be better informed.	We have added a function on the website to capture email addresses of those who would like sending a copy of the newsletter. This is on the dedicated Springfield Park section which we continue to update and use as the main source for public information about the Park development. We can also print a small quantity of the next issue of the newsletter which can be picked up from the Trust (on Concierge) and also provide FOSP with some copies to give out to their members. We will also continue to share updates across our social media as appropriate. The community liaison officers provide a dedicated contact for the community via the SpringfieldPark@alderhey.nhs.uk email address and will endeavour to respond to enquiries in a timely manner. We continue to explore options for 'physical' notices in the Park – we have already put posters up around the site and will utilise the new noticeboard that will be shortly going into the new Park. We have also asked LCC and Friends of Springfield Park if we can have access to the notice board already in the Park to post updates and newsletters.
10	Next meeting date in April 24.	Note, date to be confirmed.