

## JESUS GREEN

ITEM	POSSIBLE FUNDING SOURCE	ESTIMATED COSTS	POTENTIAL FUNDS AVAILABLE	PRIORITIES (Yes / No)	TIME SCALE (1,2,5)
Adventure play	Section 106 / HLF / Play Pathfinder	£120,000	£136,000		
Bridge entrance & exit	HLF / County Council /	£246,000			
Cafe	HLF	£500,000			
Drainage	S106 / HLF / Sita / Council EIP?	£165,700			
Hydro scheme	EDF / HLF	£291,940			
Improvement to entrance on Victoria Ave	Council EIP?	£28,000			
Kiosk	Capital bid	£122,000			
Lock Keepers Cottage	Cam Conservators ownership				
New planting	Council funding / Wren / HLF	£127,700			
New pool entrance	HLF	£500,000			
Painting & redecoration	Council R & R funds	£25,000			
Paths	County Council / Lottery	£42,500			
Performance Space	S106 / Council / HLF	£35,000			
Play Area	Section 106 / HLF/	£207,500	£137,000		
Pool	Sport England? / HLF /				
Reinforced grass access path	Council Funds / Wren	£22,000			
River access	Wren / Sita / S106 / HLF	£20,000			
River Boulevard	HLF	£45,000			
Signage	Council / S106 / HLF	£14,000			
Skateboard facility	Section 106	£5,000	£58,000		
Tennis Courts	Section 106	£70,000	£91,000		
Toilets	Council Capital fund / HLF /	Included in kiosk costs			
Tree planting / works	Lottery / West / Central	£89,450			
Wildflower & Biodiversity	Wren / Wildlife Trust & BTCV?	£61,700	Included in Adventure play costs		

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#### POTENTIAL FUNDING:

Tree planting – Funding bid being submitted to West/Central Area Committee

Informal games area – Section 106 project £74, 500

Formal picnic & BBQ sites – Section 106 project, part of City Wide scheme sharing £54,000

Signage – Part of citywide project for information panels, sharing £54,000

#### \*POSSIBLE OPTIONS FOR FUNDING;

WREN  
 SITA  
 HLF  
 Sport England  
 Section 106  
 City Council Capital Programme  
 City Council repairs & renewal programme  
 City Council Environmental Improvement Programme

# **JESUS GREEN STAKEHOLDER MEETING**

Wesley Church – Upper Room, 17:30 – 19:00

## **AGENDA**

1. Introductions
2. Any comments on note from previous meeting
3. Updates
  - a. HLF meeting  
Feedback from the meeting held with HLF & information regarding report going to Community Service Committee in June
  - b. Maintenance / Site meeting  
List of issues raised from site meeting and previous discussions will be handed round. Brief discussion / comments
  - c. Tree issues
  - d. EDF  
Information regarding report going to Community Services Committee in June.
4. Discussion on proposals for improvements  
List of proposals for improvements will be sent out with the agenda.  
Group will be asked to discuss the different elements on the list and consider if these elements should be deemed a priority (mark Yes/ No in column) and also timeframe eg 1 year, 2 year or 5 years (mark within the column)  
Group will be asked to discuss with their respective groups and feedback so information can be collated prior to next meeting.
5. AOB

Date of next meeting – 24<sup>th</sup> August or 7<sup>th</sup> September (suggestions)

Jesus Green – Working Group meeting

24<sup>th</sup> November, 17:30 – 19:00

Committee Room 1 – Guildhall

AGENDA

1. Introduction & Apologies
2. Minutes from last meeting
3. Matter arising
4. Feed back from Consultation to date
5. Revised Priority list & Discussion
6. AOB
7. Date of Next Meeting

19<sup>th</sup> January 2010?

## Jesus Green – Working Group meeting

26<sup>th</sup> October, 17:30 – 19:00

Committee room 1 – Guildhall

### AGENDA

1. Consultation proposals & programme
2. Priorities & progress
  - a. Play area
  - b. Skateboard area
  - c. Rouse Pavilion
  - d. Improvements to Victoria Ave
  - e. Demolition of wooden bowls pavilion
  - f. Tree planting
  - g. Drainage
  - h. Paths
3. Maintenance
4. AOB
  - a. Access to Jesus Green
  - b. Tennis facilities
5. Date for next meeting

Jesus Green – Working Group meeting

7<sup>th</sup> September 2009, 17:30 – 19:00

Committee room 1 – Guildhall

1. Performance Monitoring Framework & scoring criteria
2. Priorities & progress
3. JGA – grant application from Cambridge Community Foundation
4. Trees - update
5. AOB
6. Date for next meeting (suggestion either 16<sup>th</sup> or 30<sup>th</sup> Nov)

## JESUS GREEN WORKING GROUP

24<sup>th</sup> November 2009

### PRESENT

Gary Quilter (Street Scene)  
Debbie Kaye  
Julie Smith  
Sarah Tovell  
Peter Constable (JGA)

Martin Thompson (JGA)  
Anthony Bowen (JGA)  
Tim Bick  
Clare Blair  
Alistair Wilson

Carolyn Gohler  
Beth (CUSU)  
Ben (Camboaters)

### APOLOGIES:

Mike Dixon  
Kenny McGregor  
Guy Belcher  
Frances Alderton

Pip Noon  
Al Bailey  
Tom Chigbo (CUSU)

1. Minutes from last meeting - Agreed
2. Feed Back from Consultation to date;

Consultation on both the play area and Skateboard facility will be concluded by mid December. CHYYPS have two schools to visit this week (Castle and Milton Road) and a skater's forum is taking place on 9<sup>th</sup> December.

To date 233 questionnaires regarding the play area have been completed, 164 Children / 69 adults. Respondents have highlighted equipment choices that they would like to see in the refurbished play area such as; Climbing wall, tunnels, monkey bars. New benches, improved signage and better landscaped features were also popular themes.

The question regarding the location of the play area gave in early indication that people felt it should remain in its current position rather than move to opposite side of the pool. (108 respondents said No to moving)

Other elements to consider include making the footprint larger to accommodate new styles of equipment and changes in levels / landscape. There was also strong support that the play area should be fully DDA compliant.

Julie felt that based on the responses to date, we continue based on the play area remaining in its current position.

Alistair commented that this would be easier to facilitate, but that art / play could perhaps be included in any brief regarding the Rouse Pavilion and adjacent area.

- Further analysis of the consultation will be undertaken over the next few weeks to include qualitative and quantitative responses. (ST to send through when complete)

Debbie felt likely timescales from implementation were likely to be autumn 2010, based on procurement processes and to ensure that the design was right. This would ensure we don't end up without a play area for the Easter / summer period.

Martin asked that the Council ensure notices were put up on Jesus Green to keep users informed of developments.

Alistair suggested considering bolstering activities on Jesus Green over the summer to mitigate loss of any play equipment.

Play area designers would be given a brief based on the consultation and asked to produce suitable designs that would then be discussed.

Peter said he would report back to the Jesus Green AGM on 3<sup>rd</sup> December.

Debbie asked if the JGA could then feedback comments from the AGM, which would both, contribute to the consultation and Committee report due at the start of December.

### 3. Update on other priority projects;

#### a. Rouse Ball Pavilion

Structural survey for the building had been commissioned. It was hoped the report would be available by the start of January.

Peter reported on back ground to the naming of the building – Professor Rouse Ball was fellow of Trinity College. Peter had approached the Bursars regarding the project to renovate the pavilion and the possible creation of a community cafe. Funding may be possible once the project has progressed further with regard costs and proposals.

Alistair said it might be worth re-visiting the HLF for funding towards this as well.

#### b. Demolition of bowls pavilion

Technical detail has been sent to Planning to complete the application. Planning will now engage with resident groups as part of their process.

Costs and method statements are complete, Active Communities just awaiting approval.

#### c. Improvements to entrance from Victoria Ave

Costs have been received, awaiting plans before further discussion with Beer festival and Arts & Entertainment team to ensure proposals met their requirements.

- Plans to be shown at next meeting

#### d. Tennis Courts

Consultation will be undertaken during January / February regarding current tennis facilities on Jesus Green. This will include the option to remove the grass courts and look at alternative surfaces.

## AOB

- Beth raised an issue from the University as users of Jesus Green there had been mixed messages about whether it was acceptable or not from sports teams to train at Jesus Green. Sarah explained it was to do with the use of studded boots churning up the grass. Letters were due to go out shortly to the Colleges regarding this issue. Beth also explained her role as Ethical Officer for SU and explained how Jesus Green fits in with this.
- Martin reported JGA & Cam Conservators are working on a Sustainable City bid for the replanting of the garden on Jesus Lock.
- Richard, Gary and Beth to liaise re clearing of Jesus Green ditch

Date of Next Meeting; 19<sup>th</sup> January, Committee Room 1 17:30 – 19:00

## JESUS GREEN WORKING GROUP

26<sup>th</sup> October 2009

### PRESENT:

Al Bailey (Cambridge Beer Festival)  
Rosie Evans-Bailey (Cambridge Beer Festival)  
Gary Quilter (Street Scene)  
Debbie Kaye  
Lisa Politt (CHYPPS)

Julie Smith  
Sarah Tovell  
John Lawton (SOS)  
Peter Constable (JGA)  
Martin Thompson (JGA)  
Anthony Bowen (JGA)  
Tim Bick

Clare Blair  
James Walker (Skateboard users)  
Pip Noon  
Alistair Wilson

### APOLOGIES:

Mike Dixon  
Anne Garvey  
Carolyn Gohler

Kenny McGregor  
Alex Buxton  
Guy Belcher

Margaret Wright

#### 1. Consultation Update

Lisa provided an update on the current consultation regarding the skateboard facility and the play area;

Information had been sent to local schools, information had been sent home from school in children's book bags. Chypps will be out talking to users at different times throughout half-term with two specific events on Jesus Green on Wednesday and Saturday.

The information & questionnaires are available on the website both on the chypps and Active Communities pages. (Although the form can't be filled in electronically this is a problem on the website generally at the moment)

The skateboard competition last month was really successful and attracted about 150 users.

James said he had attended tonight's meeting to ensure the Council intended involving skaters in the actual design / plans.

Main points being raised in the responses to play area questionnaire;

- Poor state of current equipment
- Like specific equipment such as monkey bars, train
- New equipment should provide greater variety
- Something for older children, zip wires etc

- DDA compliant equipment should be included
- Adults have suggested outdoor gym equipment
- More than half respondents feel it is a good idea to move the play area to the other side of the pool (supported by improvements to toilets and possible cafe)
- Better gates, signage

Main points from Skateboard questionnaire;

- Make it larger so can build enough momentum to use equipment
- Anti-graffiti paint is very slippery
- BMX usage require different equipment
- Bike racks for storage / somewhere to store bags etc

Active Communities will be letter dropping houses in the local area with questionnaires / information on the proposals to enable everyone to contribute to the discussion.

Full planning permission is being sort for the skateboard facility; this will be submitted by mid November in time for planning committee in February.

Debbie also raised concern over the vandalism which took place whilst repairs were being made to the skateboard facility, which in the end required security guards to be employed.

James said there was a group of people waiting for the builders to leave so they could get on the ramps. Hopefully with more major works people would be able to see the long term benefits of the scheme and keep away until the work was complete.

Designs for both the play area and Skateboard facility will be drawn up once this initial consultation has been completed, likely to be done during January once report had been approved at Community Services Committee.

Julie Smith suggested the next working group meeting should be used to finalise papers before committee deadline.

## 2. Priorities & Progress

A table was handed round listing the various items / projects and possible timescales in terms of immediate, medium or long term (attached)

A. Play area & B. Skateboard area (discussed above)

C. Rouse Pavilion

Meeting on 5<sup>th</sup> November with architect to discuss any possible adaption and review current structure of the pavilion.

#### D. Improvements to Victoria Ave

Costs have been sort to make adaptions to the entrance onto Jesus Green at Victoria Avenue, awaiting designs / plans.

#### E. Demolition of wooden bowls pavilion

Conservation area consent has been submitted to Planning, additional information has been requested which is currently being collated.

Anne Garvey has emailed lodging concerns over the proposal, feeling this was a building which should be repaired and utilised.

Group felt that the planning process would allow for any opposition (and support) to be raised, and that the application should continue.

#### F. Tree works

Kenny will be sending out details of proposed tree works on Jesus Green shortly which will be consulted on during December.

Tree Seminar is still going to take place, although no date has been fixed as yet for this.

#### G. Drainage

Peter raised concerns that this was one of the longer term items, when flooding on the green is having a significant effect on trees and events using the panel near Victoria Ave.

Debbie explained there seemed to be no viable funding route for this element of the project, hence the delay.

#### H. Paths

Sarah told the group that the County although are aware of the issues on the paths, particularly the main path from the pedestrian bridge to Jesus College. However they have limited resources and their priorities are cities road network. A potential project has been added to the Section 106 list which was discussed at West/Central Committee.

Clare suggested speaking to Mike Davis at County as they may have funds from the cycle network.

John asked if money was going to be found to support terraventing the planes along the avenue which suffer both from flooding and vehicles driving off the pathway.

Group discussed the tennis facility being moved into the immediate box, as funding had been allocated through Section 106.

Debbie said there was consultation to be done to be clear about grass / hard court usage. This could be undertaken during the spring.

Time scales and projects to be finalised at the next meeting.

### 3. Maintenance

Gary explained how a new defects sheet was being trialled at the moment which hopefully would enable day to day issues to be picked up and dealt with more quickly.

Sarah to arrange meeting with Tim Bick, JGA, Alistair & Gary to demonstrate how the Street Scene monitoring and PMF (Performance Management Framework) interact.

4. AOB

- a. Pip explained that a padlock had recently been removed from the main gate onto Jesus Green which had caused problems when the Environment Agency had tried to gain access. Both the parks lock and EA lock need to remain.

Gary said he had spoken to operatives about ensuring neither padlock was removed, and locking the gate behind them.

Debbie added the SLM have also been notified about locking the gate.

- b. Tennis Facilities

Discussed above

AOB

Martin reported that JGA had been invited to be involved with the redesign of the garden at the lock. Funding and or sponsorship are currently being sort possibly through Sustainable Cities money or Environmental Improvement funds.

Date of next meeting: 24<sup>th</sup> November, 17:30 – 19:00 in Committee Room one

# JESUS GREEN STAKEHOLDER MEETING

Committee Room 1, Guildhall

7<sup>th</sup> September 2009

## PRESENT:

Alistair Wilson  
Sarah Tovell  
Tim Bick  
Julie Smith  
Clare Blair  
Martin Thompson  
Peter Constable

Richard Price  
Gary Quilter  
Lisa Pollitt  
Pip Noon  
Tom Chigbo

## APOLOGIES:

Carolyn Gohler  
Mike Dixon  
Margaret Wright

Anne Page  
Guy Belcher  
Colin Rosenstiel  
Debbie Kaye

## 1. Performance Management Framework & Scoring Criteria

As questions around maintenance had been raised at previous meetings, it was felt an explanation of the how the PMF operated would be useful.

- Scoring criteria and last assessment of Jesus Green were handed round to the group.
- Jesus Green will be scored again in October, ST to co-ordinate a date with JGA so that they can undertake their own assessment.

TB commented that the criteria didn't seem to pick up day to day issues and seasonality. It seemed a tool for setting much longer-term objectives.

AW explained that Street Scene undertook their own assessments which dealt with operational elements such as litter collection, grass cutting etc and the criteria which Active Communities uses includes maintenance as one element, other factors considered include; quality, value, accessibility and facilities.

Some discussion as to why Street Scene is monitoring their own performance.

GQ explained that Street Scene are subject to third party checks for street cleaning and it is a useful tool to monitor their own performance.

JS questioned what happens when litter bins get reported as vandalised or damaged, who undertakes to report this and how long does it take to repair?

GQ explained that operatives on site and Active Communities would pick it up and would be added to the inventory. Repairs then get prioritised based on location and need.

MT said length of time it takes to get things rectified should be within weeks not months.

GQ explained that there were budgets constraints and therefore some areas had to be more of a priority than others. Also made financially more sense to undertake several repairs together and collate work on site.

TB asked if the standards monitoring form Street Scene worked to could be made available.

CB felt this made the system very financial led rather than customer focused and with this scheme something's may never get picked up.

- Julie Smith to meet with Alistair and Gary for further discussion
- Review park furniture on parks & open spaces

## **2. Priorities and Progress**

- Priorities have been established from the return of forms sent out with invite to last meeting (email sent from ST on 14.08.09) (document is attached)  
Following priorities established;
  1. Play area
  2. Toilets
  3. Skateboard Facility
  4. Improvements to Victoria Ave entrance
  5. Demolition of wooden bowls pavilion
  6. Tree planting
  7. Drainage
  8. Paths
- Work up schemes / projects and timetable for consultation & installation to be discussed at next meeting and for committee report in January.

## **3. JGA – grant application from Cambridge Community Foundation**

- JGA applying for grant to support a community litter picking event / clearing the ditch area. All felt this was good idea.
- GQ to look into cleaning regime / supply of necessary equipment to allow on site operative to remove debris.

- ST to investigate when next deep clean of the ditch is due / could be undertaken.

#### **4. Tree update**

- a. Tree seminar pencilled in for 1<sup>st</sup> October, 6pm
- b. Tree proposals for maintenance work etc will be emailed out early next week. Kenny happy to do a walk on site to discuss works if required.

#### **5. AOB**

- a. Gate from Victoria Ave is persistently left open, even when there are no events on the site, replace lock / reminder sent to those using the gate that they should be locking behind them. Review type of lock being used.
- b. Events Framework update  
AW advised that the draft framework had been distributed to ward councillors for comment. Final document could be complete within 6-8 weeks.
- c. Jesus Lock garden  
Pip has approached the JGA for suggestions regarding replanting island bed by the lock.
- d. Open Space Strategy  
Deadline for comments has been extended and report will be going to committee in January.

#### **6. Date for Next meeting**

Committee Room 1, 26<sup>th</sup> October 17:30 – 19:00

Jesus Green Association AGM – 3<sup>rd</sup> December, Wesley Chapel

Matters for discussion on Thursday 23 April 2009

Present: Sarah Tovell, Ian Ross, Mac MacDonald, Anthony French, (Active Communities), Gary Quilter (Streetscene)

Richard Price, Anthony Bowen (Jesus Green Association)

### **1. Damage by Circus and Beer Festival in 2008**

(a) what is planned by way of reinstatement?

(b) why has this been so delayed? We note that it will not now be done until after this year's Beer Festival.

*N.B. JGA is aware that the Beer Festival is a very well organised event and that, unlike those involved in some other events, the organisers always own up to any damage done and offer to pay for it.*

**Answers:** Major improvements for the Victoria Avenue entrance are planned including a tarmac 'hammerhead' with space for two articulated lorries to enter and reverse to a point where they can be unloaded onto small trailers, fork lift trucks etc. The idea is to make it unnecessary for large vehicles to go onto the grass. They will try to use the topsoil from this area to fill the ruts and dips caused by circus which will also be re-seeded. Timescale: could be done in next few weeks and at most by end of summer.

*Costs and plans are being sort. Once these have been received they will be added to the list of priorities for Jesus Green (as discussed at the meeting on 20<sup>th</sup> April)*

**2. Trees.** There is great public concern about the trees on Jesus Green and their care.

(a) when can we expect to see the promised tree assessment?

(b) what post HLF bid tree work is now planned - felling/replacement/new planting etc?

**Answers:** Diana Oviatt-Ham (Tree Officer) is preparing a paper on trees for next West/Central Area Committee meeting on Thursday 30 April for funding approval. This will include a modified planting schedule based on the Robert Myers report. ST promised to get a copy emailed to Martin Thompson.

*Contacted Diana Oviatt-Ham to remind her to email a copy to JGA*

*Robert & Diana's report will be available shortly, some minor amendments currently being made.*

There is a new protocol relating to tree work throughout the city. ST has been asked for a copy.

*This is still in draft, again once complete it will be sent out.*

**3. Main path along Plane tree avenue.** Urgent need for repairs.

(a) what news is there of discussions with County Council?

(b) are Streetscene committed to using small vehicles which stick to the path instead of swerving off it to avoid pedestrians/cyclists?

**Answers:** A meeting with County Council has not yet happened but is booked. Streetscene were thanked for using smaller electric vehicles and promised to keep to the paths in future.

### **4. Swimming pool.**

(a) when can we expect to see repairs to the fences completed?

(b) what else is planned to improve the appearance of the pool and its surroundings?

**Answers:** Fence repairs have been booked and are imminent. Interior of pool has been repainted and looks good. New gates have been ordered and will be fitted shortly. Pool due to open early in May. See Oviatt-Ham tree paper for more info about trees.

**5. Skip by swimming pool hedge.** It is an eyesore and has been there for far too long.

(a) When will it be removed?

**Answer:** Last year, Beer Festival people mistakenly put some of their rubbish in it contaminating contents but will be clearing it out after this year's Festival. The skip will then be removed.

#### **6. Children's play area.**

- (a) when will damaged section of fence be replaced?
- (b) Have repairs to the soft surface been ordered?
- (c) Fill in dips where puddles form after rain?

**Answer:** Discussed at length. Damaged fence will be replaced. Some equipment is costing more to maintain than to replace. Much nearing end of useful life. Plans to renew the whole thing but where to put it? Parents like present position because of shade. This will be subject of consultation after the elections.

#### **7. Skateboard park**

- (a) when will the promised repairs be done?

**Answer:** Useful discussion with users. Some repairs successful, others not so. Sensible suggestions made by skateboarders, listened to sympathetically by Ian Ross. This is now firmly on people's radar. ST took name of James Walker \_\_\_\_\_ who seems willing to come to meetings.

#### **8. Signage on the Green.** Consists of an awful mix of styles, many very scruffy.

- (a) what plans are there to improve the signage?
- (b) when can we expect this to be done?

**Answer:** There is no specific money for new signs but there is a city-wide look at signage on/for all open spaces by Active Communities.

[There is no specific money for new signage on Jesus Green, but aware this needs looking at not just here but other sites within the city as well.](#)

#### **9. Area around lock-keepers cottage.** Looks as if some welcome tidying up has been done. Thank you!

- (a) future plans for this area?

**Answer:** response to this Q will be in the minutes of last Monday's inaugural meeting of the Jesus Green Working Group.

[Lock Keepers cottage owned by Conservators of the River Cam.](#)

[The area around the bridge is one element of the overall view of Jesus Green that will be prioritised with all other features.](#)

#### **10. Rouse Pavilion.** Badly in need of repairs to prevent further deterioration which will be even more costly to repair.

- (a) when can we expect this to be done?

**Answer:** Repairs to roof, gutters etc will be ordered. More info in minutes of Monday's meeting (see 9 above)?

[Quotes for repairs being sort.](#)

#### **11. Rubbish bins.** Hopelessly inadequate. No wonder people leave their litter all over the Green. More and much larger required.

- (a) Why have we got to wait for the results of trials? Summer is almost upon us and once again we are still without adequate bins!

**Answers:** Temporary bins have been ordered and their deployment is 'imminent'. How long is 'imminent'. Answer - next couple of weeks! But they are needed now.

**12. Bowls Pavilion.** Attempted break-in. Dangerous state of glass door.

(a) repairs?

(b) please confirm date of demolition?

**Answers:** Door will be boarded up with plywood. Demolition due at end of summer.

**13. Tennis Courts**

(a) when will the promised pressure washing be done?

(b) what plans are there for the grass courts?

(c) Jack's queries

**Answers:** Pressure washing - query re access for equipment but I think it has been ordered (Street Scene). Hole in fence by gate to grass courts pointed out & repair requested. A roller has been ordered for Parkside Cricket pitch and they will try to find a way to get it over to the grass courts. There are Health & Safety issues if volunteers try to maintain courts. There once were signs on the courts but they have been removed. replacements requested.

**AOB**

**The City Council's Enforcement Team has been out and about e.g. pointing out to people that instant BBQs kill grass if not supported above it**

**There is a meeting on Friday 24 April at 10.30 in Hobson Room, St Andrew's Street. Richard Price will attend.**

ITEM	PRIORITY
Adventure play	
Bridge entrance & exit	
Drainage	
Hydro scheme	
Improvement to entrance on Victoria Ave	
Kiosk	
Lock Keepers Cottage	
New planting	
New pool entrance & café	
Painting & redecoration	
Paths	
Performance Space	
Play Area	
Pool	
Reinforced grass access path	
River access	
River Boulevard	
Signage	
Skateboard facility	
Tennis Courts	
Toilets	
Tree planting / works	
Wildflower & Biodiversity	
Demolition of Wooden bowls pavilion	