

# COWLEY AREA COMMITTEE

Wednesday 3 November 2010

**PRESENT:** Councillors Keen (Chair), Timbs (Vice-Chair), Abbasi and Khan.

**OFFICERS PRESENT:** Rebecca Wrigley (Housing and Communities); Murray Hancock and Dan Clarkson (City Development) Doug Loveridge and Geoff Corps (Direct Services) and Alec Dubberley (Law and Governance)

## 31. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Councillors Lloyd-Shogbesan and Malik and County Councillors John Sanders, Smith and Stevens.

## 32. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None made

## 33. OPEN SESSION

### (a) Trees on Edmund Road

Sue Taylor, Jan Seed, Samantha Dunkley and Angela Stannard spoke about tree felling on Edmund Road. They were concerned that the City Council had reduced the bulk of the trees which were to the rear of the gardens on Maidcroft Road without consulting neighbouring residents. Geoff Corps, Estate Services Manager at Direct Services, explained that the trees had been trimmed by City Council tree specialists at the request of Council tenants on Edmund Road. The trees were on City Council owned land and the work had been necessary to ensure that the trees continued to thrive.

### (b) Leisure provision in Oxford Area

Jane Alexander and Paul Hernandez spoke about the proposed closure of Temple Cowley Swimming Pools and how swimming capacity would be reduced once a replacement pool was opened. The issue of patient rehabilitation through swimming was also raised.

*In accordance with the constitution the Chair suspended the meeting between 7.05 and 7.10 pm due to a disturbance by a member of the public.*

### (c) Lockheart Crescent

Councillor Keen asked for a disabled parking space to be made available in Lockheart Crescent. The issue had first been raised at the May 2010 meeting.

Councillor Keen also reported that one of the lockable bollards in the road had been broken.

The Committee asked for contact to be made with the County Council so that action could be taken.

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The meeting started at 6.30 pm and finished at 8.15 pm

Approximately 20 members of the public were present at the start of the meeting with 3 present at the end.

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