



Meeting	Full Council
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On Thursday 21st August, Cam Parish Council facilitated a meeting between the Cam & Uley Practice and Bathurst (landowners of the Millfield estate). It was exceptionally positive, with both parties engaged and motivated. The surgery is working to a relatively tight timescale, with potential for funding from the NHS available from 2029. They are reliant on the completion of the bridge across the River Cam, and Bathurst noted a two-year timescale for Vistry to complete the work. A follow up meeting between the GPs and Vistry is planned for 25th September. We're hoping that everything in the planning stages and build process proceed smoothly.

Bathurst's main concern was that none of this development currently features in the Local Plan. CPC is however, having open and constructive conversations with SDC strategic planners, and some commitment has already been demonstrated through CIL funding for both the GPs and our wider feasibility studies. SDC Officers were also very helpful with details for the scope of our RFQ, which gives us confidence that any required changes to planning consent would be supported.

Bathurst explained that the GP element was a relatively small proportion of the overall footprint so shouldn't be too difficult to negotiate a change in planning conditions but our aspirations to make larger changes would require a deeper level of commitment from all parties.

SDC have confirmed that a 'Supplementary Planning Document' would not be an advisable route to formalise these plans and reassured us that open communication is the best route prior to formal pre-planning advice.

We're planning to meet with Bathurst again in early December to share the outcomes of our feasibility study and to discuss next steps. The quality of submissions has been impressive, and we're anticipating a really strong piece of work as a result. The feasibility will also answer a lot of detailed questions about what the site might look like and how it could be phased. We have extended this invitation to SDC who were again positive and receptive.