

## LITTLE ABINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

### Parish Council meeting 12 Sept 2016

#### AG 10 Granta Park Noise

By e-mail to Parish Council 3.9.2016 from Peter Brunning

Meeting notes (incorporating a few amendments from Bernie Talbot )

#### Meeting called on behalf of Granta Park

Bernie & I met with reps from Sweett Group, project managers for developments at Granta Park. Hiral Patel, the project manager, was away so we met with Matt Soules, whom we had met before, and one other (with a noise meter!).

The primary objective was to advise us about the Illumina building project, which was due to re-start on site on 30 August after a change of contractor to Vinci.

As part of this, they wanted to discuss the traffic management plan and deliveries to Granta Park.

We also discussed the noise which is coming from Granta Park, and the measures they will have in place to monitor the noise levels once Vinci start on site.

They advised us that Doug Cuff of Biomed Realty had relocated back to Boston but was still Director; a new man (Orestis) would be locally resident and would start shortly.

They plan to hold a monthly liaison meeting on site, to which we would be welcome to listen or raise concerns. Minutes would be circulated and a summary included in the GP newsletter.

#### Illumina building

Vinci had started on the amenity building (piling had started) and had an office to the south of the Aaron Klug building. They would have one on the Illumina site, after demolition of the existing nursery.

Topsoil from the Illumina site would be stored on the TWI phase 2 car park to minimise lorry movements. Some current pedestrian routes might be disrupted but main paths would be kept open, fenced off from live sites.

Priority would be given to access roads that minimise reversing movements. They hoped to turn off reversing warning beepers on dump trucks!

The next job would be piling using CFA\* piles, which are quiet to install, though noise and vibration would be monitored and kept to a max 60dB at the site boundary.

The project should be complete by December 2018

#### Traffic

They are considering opening up the Pampisford Road entrance (currently blocked by large concrete blocks) to ease the morning peak traffic – incoming only, with a gatekeeper allowing no articulated vehicles

#### Nursery

A temporary nursery building in a Portakabin would be available from October. They hope to apply soon for planning permission for the permanent new nursery on Site 1 to the left of the entrance.

\* **CFA** Continuous Flight Auger. Continuous Flight Auger (**CFA**) **Piling** is the quietest form of **piling** and is a fast and very economical technique. It is a cast in-situ process, very suited to soft ground where deep casings or use of drilling support fluids might otherwise be needed.