

We had an excellent meeting 31/11 with Planning, concerning our application to discharge the conditions relating to the planning consent for change of use for the field (ref S/3298/18/DC). We will make the recommended changes to the entrances, and as soon as the contractors have resubmitted their quotes, should be able to begin work. Changes include: the maintenance vehicle access will be directly opposite the school and will be completed before any other work can begin. The accessible pedestrian access will be the western entrance (Hunts road end) and the additional raised walkway is to be removed from the plan. Sarah will make the necessary changes to the diagram and we hope to discharge the conditions in the next weeks.

DPC decision is requested to agree to fund the construction of the central entrance (both vehicle and wheelchair accessible). The justification for this is as follows:

- As soon as we have full change of use planning approval (we are still awaiting SCDC decision to discharge the conditions), the land will no longer be agricultural and will become DPC-owned green space amenity land.
- We consider that it will then be DPC responsibility to provide at least one safe and accessible entrance to the site from St John's Street.
- The new association, [Friends of Duxford Green Spaces](#) (FODGS)* will raise funds for all the other work on the site, but should not be responsible for funding the main entrance (which will not only be used for construction, but also for on-going maintenance and general access by parishioners, including for village events).

We have set up an easyfundraising page, where you can raise free donations by shopping on line with over 3000 major retailers. Please consider using this for your on-line shopping – we could raise huge amounts of money this way. Follow the link below:

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/duxfordgreen/>

If you are unable to attend the DPC meetings and wish to make specific comments, please either:

- email clerk@duxfordvillage.com
- use the 'contact us' tab on the www.duxfordvillage.com website;
- attend a Parish Council surgery, normally the first Saturday of the month at the Laceys Way community centre;
- leave a comment on the Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/Duxfordgreen>, or
- write to The Clerk, Duxford Parish Council, 24b Laceys Way, Duxford

** Check out the [FODGS website](#). FODGS is not affiliated to the Parish Council but is a separate, independent association dedicated to maintaining and enhancing Duxford Green Spaces. You can join as a Friend for an annual fee of £15 (£25 for a family), or make a one-off donation to the project. Every penny raised will go towards the project itself – please help us to make this a special place for everyone to enjoy.*