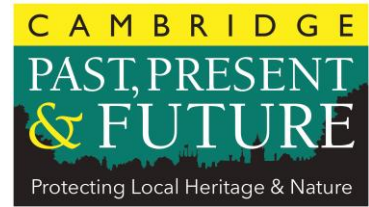


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Dear Project Team

Response to consultation for new courts, Girton College

Cambridge Past, Present & Future is Cambridge's largest civic society. We are a charity run by local people who are passionate about where they live. We operate in the greater Cambridge area and working with our members, supporters and volunteers we:

- Are dedicated to protecting and enhancing the green setting of Cambridge for people and nature.
- Care about Cambridge and are an independent voice for quality of life in the strategic planning of Greater Cambridge.
- Are working to protect, celebrate and improve the important built heritage of the Cambridge area.
- Own and care for green spaces and historic buildings in and around the city for people and nature, including Wandlebury Country Park, Coton Countryside Reserve, Cambridge Leper Chapel & Barnwell Meadows, Bourn Windmill and Hinxton Watermill.

Thank you for consulting Cambridge Past, Present and Future on this phase of your proposals.

In our response to the renewal of outline planning permission (22/00887/OUT), we strongly endorsed the comments from the Greater Cambridge Shared Planning Ecology Team requiring a baseline Biodiversity Net Gain (BNG) assessment, alongside a clear outline plan demonstrating how at least 10%—and ideally 20%—net gain will be achieved.

While we welcomed your initial indication of aiming for a 20% BNG target, we strongly encourage you to secure a delivery figure as close to 20% as possible within the scheme details. Aiming for the higher threshold aligns with local aspirations for nature recovery and ensures the development makes a meaningful, long-term contribution to local biodiversity.

We welcome that the scale and layout reflect the character of the existing campus.

I trust that you will take our comments into consideration.

Yours sincerely

Sarah Nicholas

Principal Planning Officer