

**COUNCILLORS' BULLETIN
WEDNESDAY, 26 OCTOBER
2016**



South
Cambridgeshire
District Council

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1. Meetings and events from Thursday 27 October to Friday 11 November 2016

Date	Time	Name	Venue	Contact
Thu 27 Oct				
Fri 28 Oct				
Mon 31 Oct				
Tue 1 Nov				
Wed 2 Nov	10:30am	Planning Committee	Council Chamber	Ian Senior
Thu 3 Nov	4pm	Greater Cambridge City Deal Joint Assembly	Council Chamber	Graham Watts
Fri 4 Nov	10am	Licensing Committee	Monkfield Room	Victoria Wallace
Mon 7 Nov				
Tue 8 Nov	2pm	Planning Portfolio Holder's Meeting	Monkfield Room	Ian Senior
Wed 9 Nov	6pm	Scrutiny & Overview Committee	Monkfield	Victoria Wallace
Thu 10 Nov	10am	CDRP Board Stakeholder Event	Council Chamber	Patrick Adams
	4pm	Greater Cambridge City Deal Executive Board	Council Chamber	Graham Watts
Fri 11 Nov				

INFORMATION FOR DISTRICT COUNCILLORS AND PARISH COUNCILS

2. BT Payphone Removal - 71 telephone boxes

Following the consultation that was launched on 30 August 2016 the following draft decision has been made in response to a proposal by British Telecommunications plc for the removal of 71 public telephone boxes across the district. The relevant Parish Councils have been advised.

The consultation follows an agreed process in line with Ofcom guidance

For further information if required, please contact partnerships@scmbs.gov.uk

3. BT Payphone Removal - Cambridge Road, Fulbourn

A proposal has been received from British Telecommunications plc for the removal of a public telephone box at Cambridge Road, Fulbourn. As a result a consultation was launched on 19 October 2016.

The consultation will follow an agreed process in line with Ofcom guidance. The Parish Council has been informed

For further information if required, please contact partnerships@scmbs.gov.uk

4. Linton Post Office: Proposed Move

The Post Office have proposed that Linton Post Office be moved from 5 Balsham Road to Sweet Talk News, 77 High Street. Opening hours at the new premises would be extended to 7am to 7pm Monday to Saturday and 7am to 4pm on Sunday.

Public consultation ends on 30 November 2016. Submissions can be made online at: www.postofficeviews.co.uk quoting branch code: 10811399

5. Northstowe Update

Please find attached a round up of activity at Northstowe over the last few months.

UPCOMING DISTRICT COUNCILLOR TRAINING

Unless otherwise specified, please confirm your availability to attend any of the following briefing or training events by contacting [Patrick Adams](#) on 01954 713408. This will ensure your training records are kept up to date and suitable venue and catering booking can be made. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

6. Freedom of Information Act Training: Thu 27 Oct at 2pm

There will be a briefing on the Freedom of Information Act for District Councillors on Thursday 27 October in the Monkfield Room from 2-3pm.

7. Planning Briefing: Transport Assessment, Mitigation and Travel Planning on Wed 2 Nov at 9am

On Wednesday 2 November from 9am to 10:15am, David Allatt the Transport Assessment Manager from Cambridgeshire County Council will give a briefing on transport assessment, mitigation and travel planning.

All District Councillors welcome.

8. Devolution Briefing on 10 November at 6:30pm

The Devolution Briefing, which was scheduled for Thursday 13 October has been moved to Thursday 10 November at 6:30pm, as the information from the Government will be received a month later than expected.

9. Corporate Services - Identification of Service Priorities for 2017-18

The Finance and Staffing Portfolio Holder

1. Approved, as the basis for the development of Corporate Services and 3C Shared Services business plans for 2017-18, the emerging priorities relevant to the Finance and Staffing Portfolio and set out in paragraph 8 of the report; and
2. Noted that resource requirements will be incorporated as part of the review of the Medium Term Financial Strategy (MTFS) and development of detailed estimates.

[The Corporate and Customer Services Portfolio Holder signed a Decision Notice in respect of emerging priorities relevant to the Corporate and Customer Services Portfolio and set out in paragraph 8 of the report]

This decision was first published on Thursday 20 October and so the deadline for call-in is Thursday 27 October at 5pm. If not called-in this decision can be implemented on Friday 28 October.

GENERAL INFORMATION

10. Media Monitoring



Arising from the results of the Member Communication Needs Survey, many members highlighted the fact that residents found out about SCDC matters through the media.

The Council's Communications Team will produce a weekly summary of recent news items to be published in the Bulletin to help keep members informed of recent coverage of SCDC.

Contact the [Communications Team](#) for further information.

Date	Publication	Details		
19/10/2016	Cambridge News and online	Why we're pushing for a new busway (City Deal)	P1, 14, 15 and link	
19/10/2016	Cambridge News	Busway has advantages (Letter - City Deal)	P17	
19/10/2016	Cambridge News	Treat traffic like the fens (City Deal - Letter)	P17	
19/10/2016	Cambridge News	Charging is best way (City Deal - letter)	P17	
19/10/2016	BBC Radio Cambridgeshire	Fenland set to introduce garden bin charges (other councils mentioned)		
20/10/2016	Cambridge News	City Deal: Reactions to reasons busway must go ahead	P6	
20/10/2016	Letsrecycle.com	South Cambridgeshire tackles 'throwaway culture'	Link	
20/10/2016	Cambridge News	We need public transport to be a bit more like the Jetsons and a lot less like On the Buses' says council leader	Link	
21/10/2016	Cambridge News	City Deal congestion scheme U-turn	P1 and 7	
21/10/2016	Cambridge News	Public voice is listened to at last (opinion)	P6	
22/10/2016	BBC Radio Cambridgeshire	CLlr Mark Howell interviewed about repair café event		
22/10/2016	Cambridge News	City responds to doubts over traffic ban viability (City Deal)	P2	
22/10/2016	Cambridge News	New houses will soon be homes (Northstowe - Opinion piece)	P6	
22/10/2016	Cambridge News	Going for broke at repair café	P7	
22/10/2016	BBC Radio Cambridgeshire	First homes at new town of Northstowe go on sale next month		
22/10/2016	Cambridge News	New homes at county's new town go on sale next month (Northstowe)	P8	
24/10/2016	Cambridge News	A solution for the future (letter - City Deal)	P16	
24/10/2016	Cambridge News	A certain inevitability (letter - City Deal)	P16	
24/10/2016	Cambridge News	Not a good use of money (letter - City Deal)	P16	

	News	Deal)		
25/10/2016	Cambridge News	Bikeway is first City Deal scheme to start	P6	
25/10/2016	Cambridge News	Timetabling is key issue (Letter - City Deal)	P14	
25/10/2016	Star Radio Online	Funding available for schemes to help elderly – apply now	Link	
26/10/2016	Cambridge News and online	' Try to understand the burden on our leaders' (City Deal)	P6 and link	
26/10/2016	Cambridge News	Other side of City Deal coin (opinion piece)	P6	
26/10/2016	Cambridge News	Grant pot now open to help older residents	P11	
26/10/2016	Cambridge News	Bringing us all up to speed (City Deal - Letter)	P18	

11. Items of Interest from the Local Government Association (LGA)



**Government
Association**

Items of Interest from the Local Government Association (LGA)

The Local Government Association provides a list of news headlines relevant to its members. Please click the headlines below for more details.

Thursday 20 October: *Times*: [Dump charges “fuel rise in fly-tipping”](#)

Charges imposed by councils to dispose of waster are contributing to an increase in fly-tipping, it is reported.

Saturday 22 October: *Times*: [Four in ten local authorities breach air pollution rules](#)

More than 150 local authorities are breaching legal limits on air pollution, according to figures obtained by Neil Parish MP.

Sunday 23 October: *BBC Online*: [Councils call for freedoms to build new homes](#)

The LGA wants to hold talks with the Government on how the powers councils need to rapidly build new homes.

Monday 24 October: *Guardian*: [Flood defences “skewed towards wealthy families and regions”](#)

The system for allocating taxpayers’ money to flood defence schemes favours protecting wealthy families and those in the south-east, analysis suggests.

Tuesday 25 October: *Guardian Online*: [Government backs new law to prevent people becoming homeless](#)

Communities Secretary Sajid Javid has announced that the Government will support the Homelessness Reduction Bill – a Private Members Bill tabled by Bob Blackman MP, which plans to reform homeless laws and strengthen councils’ duties to stop people ending up homeless.

Tuesday 25 October: *Times*: [Hotel bills for homeless people run into billions](#)

Councils have spend billions of pounds putting homeless people up in bed and breakfasts, hotels and private rented homes, according to figures obtained by The Times.

Tuesday 25 October: *Guardian*: [Study says 850,000 UK public sector jobs could be automated by 2030](#)

More than 850,000 public sector jobs could be lost by 2030 through automation, according to a study conducted by Oxford University and Deloitte, the business advisory firm.

12. View Planning Applications



To view the list of planning applications that have recently been submitted to the Council, please visit the authority's on-line [Planning Application Search](#). Once the page has loaded, you can use the [Search option](#) to set your own criteria of parish, area and date range.



The system will provide a range of information on current and decided applications since 1948, including a brief description of the development, reference number, decision and the date of decision. More recent applications show the name and telephone number of the council officer who is dealing with the application.

Search results are presented in a collection of pages, the number of which depends on the number of results your search produces. There are navigation tools to allow you to browse your results.

EXECUTIVE DECISIONS TAKEN SINCE 19 OCTOBER 2016



In accordance with the [Access to Information Procedure Rules in Part 4 of the Council's Constitution](#), any executive decision shall be published normally within five days of being made. That record will bear the date on which it is published and will specify that the decision will come into force, and may then be implemented, on the expiry of 5 working days after the publication of the decision, unless called in for review by the Chairman of the Scrutiny and Overview Committee or by any five other councillors.

A list of decisions currently within the call-in period is available [on the Council's website](#).

The call in procedure is set out in full in [Part 4 of the Council's Constitution, 'Scrutiny and Overview Committee Procedure Rules'](#).

13. Resident Involvement Strategy 2016-2018

The Housing Portfolio Holder **APPROVED** the Resident Involvement Strategy 2016-2018.

This decision was first published on Thursday 20 October and so the deadline for call-in is Thursday 28 October at 5pm. If not called-in this decision can be implemented on Friday 29 October.

14. Affordable Homes Draft Service Plan 2017/18

The Housing Portfolio Holder **ENDORSED** the Affordable Homes service plan actions identified

in the report.

This decision was first published on Thursday 20 October and so the deadline for call-in is Thursday 27 October at 5pm. If not called-in this decision can be implemented on Friday 28 October.

15. Rural Settlements List 2017-2018

The Finance and Staffing Portfolio Holder approved the Rural Settlement List for 2017-18 as attached to the report as Appendix A, and authorised its publication.

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16. Treasury Management Review

The Finance and Staffing Portfolio Holder noted the performance of the treasury management function, and approved the increase in maximum investment to South Cambs Limited to £35 million, subject to him receiving updated information in February 2017.

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DECISIONS MADE BY OFFICERS AND REPORTED FOR INFORMATION

Please click on the link below to find details of decisions made by officers under delegated authority:

<https://www.scambs.gov.uk/content/access-information>

OTHER INFORMATION

17. Newly-Published Items on modern.gov



Agendas

- [Planning Committee 2 Nov 2016](#)

Decisions

- [Housing Portfolio Holder 19 Oct 2016](#)
- [Finance & Staffing Portfolio Holder 18 Oct 2016](#)

Minutes

- [Greater Cambridge City Deal Executive Board 13 Oct 2016](#)
- [Planning Committee 5 Oct 2016](#)

Plans

- [Cabinet's Forward Plan of Key Decisions](#)
- [Greater Cambridge City Deal Forward Plan – Oct 2016](#)

18. **SCDC Starters and Leavers**



Staff who have left

Name: Clare Adams
Job title: Technical Support Officer
Corporate Area: Planning & New Communities
Date leaving: 18 November 2016