

**COUNCILLORS' BULLETIN
WEDNESDAY, 24 MAY 2017**



South
Cambridgeshire
District Council

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1. Meetings and events from Thursday 25 to Friday 9 June

Date	Time	Name	Venue	Contact
Thu 25 May	2pm	Annual Council	Council Chamber	Wilma Wilkie
Fri 26 May				
Bank Holiday				
Mon 29 May				
Tue 30 May				
Wed 31 May				
Thu 1 June				
Fri 2 June				
Bank Holiday				
Mon 5 June				
Tue 6 June				
Wed 7 June	10:30am 2pm	Planning Committee Postponed: Until Monday 19 June Greater Cambridge Joint Assembly City Deal: Cancelled (Next meeting 19 July)		
Thu 8 June				
Fri 9 June				

INFORMATION FOR DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

2. Shared Planning Service for Greater Cambridge - Message from Stephen Kelly, Joint Planning Director

Dear District Councillor,

As you know, I have been appointed to bring forward a Shared Planning Service for Greater Cambridge. Over the last 10 months, my team and I have been busy engaging with staff, members and users across "Greater Cambridge" about the challenges and priorities for the new service. In March and April, the preliminary thoughts of the project team formed the basis of a report to the City Council Strategy and Resource Committee and South Cambridgeshire District Council Cabinet meetings respectively.

The project board are now working hard to develop the Business Case and implementation programme which will shape the form and future timeline for delivery of the new service. Before we do this however, I am keen that we engage with you and your colleagues. Recognising the busy political calendar through to early June, we have proposed two days in Mid-June 12th and 13th (one daytime and one in the early evening) at which we would propose to set out progress to date and share the rationale behind the Shared Planning Service Business Case. Two separate sessions are being arranged targeting Members of the Planning Committee and one aimed at other Members. We have sent formal invites including confirmation of the venues and timings.

Please feel free to attend any of the venues.

I do hope that you will be able to make one of the meetings arranged. If you are however unable to make either meeting, and still want to discuss with me the future shared service please e-mail

me directly.

Yours faithfully

Stephen Kelly
Joint Director for Planning for Cambridge and South Cambridgeshire
stephen.kelly@scambs.gov.uk

Times and locations:

Date	Time	Location	Venue	Dist. List
12-Jun	14:30-16:00	CCC	Council Chamber	Planning Committee Members for SCDC and CCC
12-Jun	18:30-20:00	SCDC	Council Chamber	Elected Members for SCDC and CCC
13-Jun	14:30-16:00	SCDC	Swansley (A&B)	Planning Committee Members for SCDC and CCC
13-Jun	18:30-20:00	CCC	Council Chamber	Elected Members for SCDC and CCC

PARISH COUNCIL INFORMATION

3. A14 Montly Parish Council Bulletin

Attached is the latest A14 Monthly Parish Council Bulletin.

This is the fifth bulletin, which is intended to provide you with regular updates on key site activities, and which you can also use for information to put on your parish website or in your newsletter.

To contact your particular Stakeholder Manager please use the email addresses below or the helpline.

Alconbury to the East Coast Main Line; **Jon Lewell** jon.lewell@thea14.com

East Coast Main Line to Swavesey; **Jade Pettit** jade.pettit@thea14.com

Swavesey to Milton; **Bob Pettipher** bob.pettipher@thea14.com

A14 helpline **0800 270 0114** - This will be answered by a team member during site hours 8am - 5pm and messages can be left at other times.

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](mailto:Patrick.Adams@thea14.com) 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.

4. Planning Workshop for District Councillors: 31 May 2017 at the City Council

On Wednesday 31 May, Cambridge City Council are hosting an all day planning training session, which will cover the following subjects:

- Development Management
- Planning Decisions
- Planning Enforcement
- Role of councillors in pre-application and application stage

- Predetermination and Conflicts of Interest
- Decisions Contrary to Officer Advice

The session will begin at 9:15am and end at 4pm.

If you wish to attend this course, please contact Patrick Adams: patrick.adams@scams.gov.uk (01954) 713408

5. Licensing Training at Cambridge City Council on Mon 12 June

For the special attention of those who will be members of the Licensing Committee for the 2017/18 municipal year

Cambridge City Council are hosting an all day licensing training course on Monday 12 June.

If you would like to attend this course, please contact me: patrick.adams@scams.gov.uk (01954) 713408

6. Safeguarding through Licensing: Mon 10 July at SCDC

This training is mandatory for any councillors wishing to serve on Licensing Panels for the 2017/18 municipal year

The Council are hosting an all day licensing training course at South Cambs Hall in Cambourne on Monday 10 July.

The course objectives: To provide a forum for discussion and learning amongst key stakeholders in relation to safeguarding issues around children and other vulnerable people where licensing can make a difference. These events will look at lessons to be learned as well as examining successful and emerging initiatives involving all partners with a role in protecting children and vulnerable adults.

This event is aimed at local authority officers, police officers, social services and all who are involved in the safeguarding of vulnerable persons. The Institute of Licensing accredits this event at 5 hours CPD.

If you would like to attend this course, please contact me: patrick.adams@scams.gov.uk (01954) 713408

GENERAL INFORMATION

7. 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
17/05/2017	Cambridge	First residents welcomed at Northstowe P4

	Independent	after 19 years		
17/05/2017	Cambridge Independent	Second station will transform Cambridge and boost economy	P6 and 7	
17/05/2017	Cambridge Independent	Looking underground is part of mayor's plans	P10	
18/05/2017	Bury Free Press	Election win returns Linton's county seat to Henry's family (SCDC mentioned)	Link	
19/05/2017	BBC Radio Cambridgeshire	Mike Hill interviewed re ongoing bin issues experienced by some residents in the City/South Cams		
21/05/2017	Cambridge News	Cambridge North railway station finally opens	Link	
22/05/2017	BBC Radio Cambridgeshire	Stephen Kelly interviewed about new station opening in North Cambridge - interview on how this helps unlock growth		
23/05/2017	Heart Radio	Half-mast flags for councils following Manchester attacks		
23/05/2017	Cambridge News online	Cambridge company's sensors go into orbit on International Space Station	Link	

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



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 18 May: *BBC Online*: [Taxi accessibility](#)

Some wheelchair-bound passengers are being refused service or charged more than able-bodied users by taxi or private hire companies, an investigation by the BBC's One Show has found.

Thursday 18 May: *BBC Online*: [Recycling body criticises Pringles and Lucozade packaging](#)

Pringles tubes and Lucozade Sport bottles are the 'villains' of the recycling world, a trade body has said.

Saturday 20 May: *Times*: [Councils and pollution findings](#)

Some councils have not made air pollution findings available to the public, according to an FOI survey of 77 councils by the DeSmog UK website.

Sunday 21 May: *Mail on Sunday*: [Taxi licence investigation](#)

The Mail on Sunday reports on an inquiry into taxi licensing at South Ribble Borough Council.

Sunday 21 May: *Sunday Express*: [Larger crematoria](#)

Crematorium ovens have increased by almost a quarter over the last 100 years, according to the Institute of Cemetery and Crematorium Management.

9. 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 WEDNESDAY 24 MAY 2017



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'](#).

10. Community Chest: Funding Applications

The Finance and Staffing Portfolio Holder **agreed** the following Community Chest funding:

Name of applicant	Project description	Total cost of project (£)	Total awarded (£)
Steeple Morden Bowls Club	Replacement windows and fire escape doors.	£3,816	£1,000
Bottisham Swimming Club	Purchase of starting blocks.	£4,000	£1,000

Mother Goose Pre-School	Installation of a new climbing frame	£5,000	£1,000
Bar Hill Pre-School	Replacement surface for play area to improve safety	£1,342	£1,000
Barton Bowls Club	Purchase of equipment to aid expansion of the club. Specifically aimed at recruiting young members	£2,130	£1,000
Coton Village Hall	Replacement of old chairs for the village hall to improve potential for bookings	£2,063	£1,000
Waterbeach Toddler Group	Creation of an outdoor play space in their new premises on the barracks site	£2,773.37	£1,000
Dry Drayton School & Village Association	Purchase of a shed to store 2 marquees + mountain bikes that are owned by the village association	£1,794.00	£1,000
Fen Drayton Village Hall	Purchase of a new sign to promote the village hall	£648.00	£648.00
Cambridge Open Art Exhibition	Purchase of replacement exhibition boards and hanging equipment	£1,461.24	£1,000
Grantchester Cricket Club	Purchase of roll on covers	£4,266.00	£1,000
Hale Road Allotment & Gardening	Purchase & spreading of road planings to improve the carpark surface	£384.00	£384.00
Arthur Rank Hospice	Purchase of equipment for a gardening project	£900	£900
1 st Orwell Guides (This application was deferred)	Purchase of new lightweight tents	£600	This was deferred
Linton Action for Youth	Repair of roof at drop in centre which facilitates youth work	£400	£400
Comberton Baptist Church	Purchase of games consoles to help create an attractive youth club that can be used as a regular meeting place	£6,892.50	£516.73

Great Chishill Windmill Trust Ltd	Repair & painting of the trestle of Great Chishill Windmill	£1,015.00	£1,000
Linton Cricket Club	Purchase of new safety helmets	£956.25	£956.25
Avenelles Way OAP group	Purchase of chest freezer for the lunch club	£375.00	£375.00
Cambridge St Giles Cricket Club	Installation of showers in the pavilion.	£12,000	£1,000
Whittlesford Warriors Football Club	Purchase of goal posts following pitch expansion	£2,403.08	£1,000
Cambridge Past, Present & Future	Purchase of a lawnmower and accessories	£959.36	£959.36
Croydon Reading Room	Installation of Eco lighting	£2,600	£1,000
Friends of Girton Glebe	Purchase of hall & screen projector	£3,078.00	£1,000
Flambards Residents Association	Purchase of trees for communal green space in Meldreth	£840.50	£840.50
Pampisford Village Hall	Replacement of fencing at the Village Hall	£330	£330
Swavesey Parish Council	Purchase of two Gazebos for community use	£425	£425
Barrington Parish Council	Upgrade of footpath to riverside meadows	£3640	£1,000
Little Shelford Parish Council	Renovation of The Little Shelford Wale playground	£84,100	£1,000
Grantchester Parish Council	Outdoor Table Tennis Table	£2245	£1,000

The Finance and Staffing Portfolio Holder **refused** the following applications:

Name of applicant	Project description	Total cost of project (£)	Total applied for (£)	Reason for refusal
Fen Edge Community Association	Hire of a PA system to use at the festival	£20,000	£1,000	Does not comply with the Community Chest criteria

Fen Ditton 800	Medieval Fair to mark the 800 anniversary of a settlement in Fen Ditton	£2,930	£500	Does not comply with the Community Chest criteria
The Balsham Map Project	Book detailing history of the village over the past 400 years	£7,966	£1,000	Does not comply with the Community Chest criteria
Barnabas Oley CoE School PTA, Great and Little Gransden	Overhaul of pool area	£10,000	£1,000	Does not comply with the Community Chest criteria

The Finance and Staffing Portfolio Holder **deferred** the following applications:

Name of applicant	Project description	Total cost of project (£)	Total applied for (£)	Reason for deferral
ICU Steps Cambridge	Set up costs for a support group for families of patients who have been admitted to ICU & ex patients suffering from PTSD	£868	£500	Further information needed – how much use by South Cambs residents?
St. Mary the Virgin Church, Linton	Purchase of materials to create a Community Peace Garden	£8,597	£1,000	Further information needed regarding access
1 st Orwell Guides	Purchase of new lightweight tents	£600	£600	Further information needed – Supporting documents

Fen Drayton Parish Council	Purchase of notice board to be placed at the west end of the village	£2,023.68	£1,000	Further information needed about use – Parish Council use only or use by the wider community?
Cherry Hinton Baptist Church	Replacement chairs for the Family Centre	£905.76	£905.76	Further information needed – how much use by South Cambs residents?
Linton Heights Junior School	Purchase of Forest School equipment	£991.98	£991.98	Further information needed – will they be charging for use?
Stepping Stones, Barton	Breakfast and After School Club	£2,310	£1,000	Further information needed – Supporting documents

This decision was first published on the afternoon of Wednesday 17 May and so the deadline for call-in is Wednesday 24 May at 5pm. If not called in this decision can be implemented on Thursday 25 May.

11. Treasury Management Review

Subject to the satisfactory completion of due diligence work, the Finance and Staffing Portfolio Holder endorsed the inclusion of the Cambridge Leisure and Ice Centre loan in the Council's Investment and Borrowing Strategy and Capital Programme.

Subject to an assessment of property values, the Finance and Staffing Portfolio Holder was minded to increase, from £35 million to £45 million, the amount that South Cambridgeshire District Council could invest in Ermine Street Housing.

This decision was first published on the afternoon of Wednesday 17 May and so the deadline for call-in is Wednesday 24 May at 5pm. If not called in this decision can be implemented on Thursday 25 May.

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

12. Newly-Published Items on modern.gov



Agendas

- [Council 25 May](#)

Decisions

- [Finance & Staffing Portfolio Holder's Meeting 6pm 16 May 2017](#)

Minutes

- [Council 13 April](#)

April's Activities

Section 1 & 2 - Alconbury to the East Coast Main Line

The bailey bridge over the River Great Ouse has been completed, enabling site vehicles to cross the river.

Section 3 - East Coast Main Line to Swavesey

The mobile visitor centre has visited Huntingdon's Wyevale Garden Centre, RAF Wyton, Wood Green Animal Shelter and the Offords' Council Meeting

Section 4 & 5 - Swavesey to Milton

Piling works for two new bridges at Girton alongside the A428 have now been completed.

Archaeological works continue in the sites at Bar Hill and Dry Drayton.

Overnight repairs to the existing A14, which necessitated carriageway closures, have finished.

Preparation has started at Oakington on a plant crossing on Dry Drayton Road. This will allow the safe movement across the carriageway of materials from the nearby borrow pit.

Works in May

Section 1 & 2 - Alconbury to the East Coast Main Line

The River Great Ouse footpath will remain open with minimal disruption from the A14 works.

The haul road along the east side of the A1 north of Brampton Hut has been established and is ready for construction of the new southbound highway to commence.

Bridge works continue on the supports for the Grafham Road Bridge over the A1 at Brampton.

Sections of the Great River Ouse crossing are being manufactured in concrete and stored on site in readiness for installation.

Vegetation around the new water vole habitat is growing well as the warmer weather arrives.

The temporary pontoon over the River Great Ouse is no longer in use and is being dismantled and removed.

You can contact us on our dedicated A14 Public Helpline 0800 270 0114
Scheme information is also available at our website
www.highways.gov.uk/A14C2H and you can also follow us at.



Section 3 - East Coast Main Line to Swavesey

Preparatory works for Offord Road continue, with full works due to start in June.

Piling continues to be main focus of work in Section 3, with further work due to commence in May at Silver Street, Corpus Christi Farm, Hilton Road and Mere Way.

While piling works for the East Coast Mainline have been a priority, piling at Ermine Street is progressing to well, with the movement of topsoil and continuing archaeological excavation work. Bridge access to Corpus Christi farm has also been prioritised.

A large burial/cremation site has been found in section three and is being excavated for further investigation.

The mobile visitor centre will attend Hilton Parish Council in early May.

Section 4 & 5 - Swavesey to Milton

Work on the Boxworth accommodation block continues apace, with the opening planned for late June 2017. The on-site staff canteen opens on 15th May.

Archaeological works around Bar Hill and Dry Drayton junctions continue.

Foundations for two bailey bridges in the borrow pit 6, near Dry Drayton, are now complete. Work continues on both borrow pits to complete the bridges.

Mains-diversion work by Cambridge Water continues in this section and is progressing well.

Work to complete the plant crossing will be undertaken at Dry Drayton Road. This will involve a weekend road closure to allow construction to take place. This closure is scheduled to commence on Friday 19th May.