

**COUNCILLORS' BULLETIN
WEDNESDAY, 6 SEPTEMBER
2017**



South
Cambridgeshire
District Council

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1. Meetings and events from Thursday 7 September to Friday 22 September

Date	Time	Name	Venue	Contact
Thu 7 Sep	6pm	Scrutiny & Overview Committee	Swansley Room	Victoria Wallace
Fri 8 Sep	10am	Business & Customer Services Portfolio Holder - CANCELLED		
Mon 11 Sep				
Tue 12 Sep	6pm	Parish Planning Forum	Council Chamber	Jane Green
Wed 13 Sep	2pm	Greater Cambridge Partnership Joint Assembly	County Council	Wilma Wilkie
	4pm	Housing Portfolio Holder's Meeting	Monkfield Room	Victoria Wallace
Thu 14 Sep	6pm	Cabinet	Swansley Room	Victoria Wallace (agenda)
Fri 15 Sep				
Mon 18 Sep				
Tue 19 Sep	10am	Licensing (2003 Act) Sub-Committee	Swansley Room	Victoria Wallace
	6pm	Finance & Staffing Portfolio Holder's Meeting	Swansley Room A	Ian Senior
Wed 20 Sep	4pm	Greater Cambridge Partnership Executive Board	Council Chamber	Wilma Wilkie
Thu 21 Sep				
Fri 22 Sep				

INFORMATION FOR DISTRICT COUNCILLORS AND PARISH COUNCILS

2. A14 Cambridge to Huntingdon Monthly Parish Council Bulletin

Attached is our latest A14 Parish Bulletin, covering August and September.

This bulletin is intended to provide you with updates on key site activities on the A14 Cambridge to Huntingdon improvement scheme, so please feel free to circulate the information in your own newsletters or on your parish websites.

You may have noticed over the last few editions of this newsletter that we've delivered news by activity rather than by each section of the scheme independently.

We're always looking at the best way to provide you this information and we'd appreciate your feedback on which format you prefer; news by activities or section by section.

We'll adapt the way we write to you depending on the majority's preference, so please do get in touch.

To contact your sections Stakeholder Manager, please use the email addresses below or our A14 helpline.

Section 1 & 2 Alconbury to the East Coast Main Line; **Jon Lewell** jon.lewell@thea14.com

Section 3 East Coast Main Line to Swavesey; **Jade Pettit** jade.pettit@thea14.com

Section 4 & 5 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.

Kind regards

A14 Cambridge to Huntingdon Improvement Scheme

Highways England | Woodlands | Manton Lane | Bedford | MK41 7LW

Web: <http://www.highways.gov.uk>.

3. Community Housing Groups to Receive Boost from Council

On September 12th the Housing team at South Cambs will be launching a new community-led housing initiative.

DCLG's Community Housing Fund recently awarded both South Cambs District Council and Cambridge City Council just over £50,000 each in grant funding to help boost the provision of affordable homes delivered by community-led housing groups. The two Councils have decided to pool their funds and embark upon a year-long pilot of advice, support and funding for community groups to kick start their housing ambitions.

At the Parish Forum on September 12th details of how community-led housing groups can apply, on a competitive basis, to the Council for up to £4,500 in grant funding will be released. This funding is intended to help communities to develop their ideas for community-led housing, explore opportunities in their local area and form a legally recognised entity in order to further their plans.

For more information please contact Emily Mulvaney at emily@clteast.org or on 01353 668985 or 07766 991145

GENERAL INFORMATION

4. 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		
30/08/2017	Cambridge News online	Fresh advice issued on dealing with illegal Traveller encampments	Link	
30/08/2017	Cambridge Independent online	Advice for Cambridgeshire landowners following unauthorised Traveller encampments	Link	

30/08/2017	Star Radio Online	Council issues advice for landowners following unauthorised Traveller encampments	Link	
30/08/2017	Cambridge News	Your views on tunnel vision	P8	GCP piece on plans for underground tunnel transport system in Cambridge
30/08/2017	Cambridge News	Gridlock from new homes	P20	Reader letter about plans for Cherry Hinton North redevelopment
30/08/2017	Cambridge News online	This village is bursting at the seams because everyone wants to live there	Link	
30/08/2017	Cambridge News online	Travellers pitched up in four locations across the county today	Link	
30/08/2017	Cambridge News online	Fresh advice issued on dealing with illegal traveller encampments	Link	
31/08/2017	Cambridge News	Travellers set up in four new locations (SCDC advice included)	P6	
31/08/2017	Cambridge News	Who digs tunnel move for city? (GCP and CA)	P8	
01/09/2017	BBC Look East	Cambourne to Cambridge Busway routes revealed (GCP)		
01/09/2017	Cambridge News	Report unveils options for new bus route (GCP)	P4 and 5	
01/09/2017	Cambridge News	Possible locations for Park and Ride site revealed (GCP)	P5	
01/09/2017	BBC Radio Cambridgeshire	Report on Elite Athlete Award Scheme grants	Scrol l to 1'50 in	
01/09/2017	BBC News Online	Powerlifter Camille Holland hoping for European title (Elite Athlete Award Scheme grants)	Link	
01/09/2017	Cambridge Independent	We want a big conversation over £1 billion spending plan	P10	GCP piece
01/09/2017	Cambridge Independent	We won't oppose homes'	p12	Cottenham Parish Council abandons attempt to reverse SCDC planning permission
01/09/2017	Cambridge Independent online	Campaigners slam new plans for Cambridge to Cambourne busway	Link	
03/07/2017	Heart Cambs Radio	Athletes in South Cambs can now apply for District Council funding	Bulle tins and Twitt er	
04/09/2017	Cambridge News	Protesters on march against busway plans	P2	
04/09/2017	Cambridge News	Funding on offer for would-be stars	P8 (sport supp)	
05/09/2017	BBC Radio Cambridgeshire	Cllr Ellington interviewed as local member about A14 works and Swavesey diversion		

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



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

Thursday 31 August: *Independent Online*: [£1 billion of taxpayers' money subsidises planning applications](#)

£1 billion of taxpayers' money will have subsidised planning applications by 2022, according to LGA research.

Friday 1 September: *BBC Online*: [Birmingham bin strike threat](#)

Refuse workers in Birmingham have warned they will resume industrial action after accusing the city council of renegeing on deal that saw the previous lengthy bin strike suspended.

Sunday 3 September: *Telegraph*: ["Ugly new homes will create more NIMBYs" warns Environment Committee Chair](#)

Inappropriate buildings being imposed on local communities by the Government will create a generation of NIMBYs, the Chairman of the Environment Select Committee, Neil Parish has warned.

Sunday 3 September: *BBC Online*: [£200m to help rural areas get connected](#)

The Government has announced some of the first pilot areas to benefit from a £200m fund to help rural hospitals, schools and businesses benefit from "full fibre" faster broadband.

Monday 4 September: *Guardian*: [May urged to back bold action on housing crisis](#)

The Department for Communities and Local Government has confirmed that it will publish details, by the end of this month, on how local authorities should assess the need for housing in their local area.

Tuesday 5 September: *Telegraph*: [Councils face ban on using ASBO laws to punish bin breaches](#)

The Government is preparing to publish a consultation paper that will issue enforcement guidance for councils using bin fines, according to Whitehall sources.

Wednesday 6 September: *Telegraph Online*: [Fees and charges](#)

The TaxPayers' Alliance has raised concerns about local authorities requiring people to pay for services on top of the council tax they already pay.

Wednesday 6 September: *Times*: [Dog walkers told to carry two plastic bags](#)

Canterbury City Council has warned dog walkers who fail to carry two plastic bags for collecting their pet's mess face an £80 fine.

6. 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 30 AUGUST 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'](#).

7. Central Bedfordshire Local Plan Consultation

The Planning Portfolio Holder agreed that a consultation response be submitted based upon paragraphs 18-25 of this report.

This decision was first published on Thursday 31 August and so the deadline for call-in is 5pm on Thursday 7 September. If not called-in this decision can be implemented on Friday 8 September.

8. Huntingdonshire Local Plan Consultation

The Planning Portfolio Holder agreed that a consultation response be submitted based upon the following:

“Huntingdonshire are consulting on their draft Local Plan between the 4th July and 4.30pm on the 25th August. They intend to consult again in late 2017 on a Proposed Submission Local Plan and submit their plan for examination in March 2018. The plan includes strategic scale developments at Alconbury to the north of Huntingdon and at St Neots East. The plan proposes sites to meet all of the objectively assessed housing need in the district. Overall its draft policies and proposals are considered to be an appropriate response to the planning challenges affecting Huntingdonshire insofar as it affects South Cambridgeshire. The plan is also considered to be consistent with the agreed duty to cooperate documents relating to the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough area.” (paragraph 10 of the report)

This decision was first published on Thursday 31 August and so the deadline for call-in is 5pm on Thursday 7 September. If not called-in this decision can be implemented on Friday 8 September.

9. Uttlesford Local Plan Consultation

The Planning Portfolio Holder agreed that a consultation response be submitted on the draft Uttlesford Local Plan based upon paragraphs 15-35 of this report, taking account of agreed modifications and additions concerning transport, the North Uttlesford Garden Community start date, build-out rates, water supply and disposal, and ‘rat running’.

This decision was first published on Thursday 31 August and so the deadline for call-in is 5pm on Thursday 7 September. If not called-in this decision can be implemented on Friday 8 September.

10. Neighbourhood Plans: Thriplow Neighbourhood Area designation

The Planning Portfolio Holder approved the designation of a Neighbourhood Area for the parish of Thriplow as proposed by Thriplow Parish Council (see Appendix A).

This decision was first published on Thursday 31 August and so the deadline for call-in is 5pm on Thursday 7 September. If not called-in this decision can be implemented on Friday 8 September.

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

11. Newly-Published Items on modern.gov



Agendas

- [Scrutiny & Overview Committee 7 September](#)
- [Licensing \(2003 Act\) Sub-Committee 19 September](#)
- [Greater Cambridge Partnership Joint Assembly 13 September](#)
- [Greater Cambridge Partnership Executive Board 20 September](#)
- [Housing Portfolio Holder's Meeting 13 September](#)

Decisions

- [Planning Portfolio Holder's Meeting 25 August](#)

Minutes

- [Planning Committee 9 August](#)

Plans

- [Forward Plan of Key Decisions](#)