

**COUNCILLORS' BULLETIN
WEDNESDAY, 22 NOVEMBER
2017**



South
Cambridgeshire
District Council

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1. Meetings and events from Thursday 23 November to Friday 8 December

Date	Time	Name	Venue	Contact
Thu 23 Nov	2pm	Council	Council Chamber	Kathrin John
Fri 24 Nov	9:30am	Audit & Corporate Governance Committee - CANCELLED		
Mon 27 Nov				
Tue 28 Nov				
Wed 29 Nov				
Thu 30 Nov				
Fri 1 Dec				
Mon 4 Dec				
Tue 5 Dec				
Wed 6 Dec	10:30am	Planning Committee	Council Chamber	Ian Senior
Thu 7 Dec	6pm	Civic Affairs Committee	Swansley Room	Patrick Adams
Fri 8 Dec				

INFORMATION FOR DISTRICT COUNCILLORS AND PARISH COUNCILS

2. A14 Cambridge to Huntingdon Closures

Below are details of this week's planned closures, as part of the A14 Cambridge to Huntingdon improvement scheme.

This week's A14 Cambridge to Huntingdon closures:

Mon 20 for one day

Full closure Dry Drayton Rd over bridge (Mon 9:30am - Mon 8pm)

Mon 20 to Tue 21

A1 northbound between Brampton Hut & Alconbury (each night 9pm - 6am)

Mon 20 for one night

A14 eastbound between St Ives (J26) & Girton (J31), including A1307 inbound (9pm - 6am)

Tue 21 for one night

A14 westbound between Girton (J31) & Fenstanton (J27), including A1307 outbound (9pm - 6am)

Wed 22 for one night

A14 eastbound between St Ives (J26) & Girton (J31), including A1307 inbound (9pm - 6am)

Wed 22 to Thurs 23

A1 southbound between Alconbury & Brampton (each night 9pm - 6am)

Wed 22 to Fri 24

A1 northbound between Buckden & Brampton Hut (each night 9pm - 6am)

Thurs 23 for one night

A14 westbound between Girton (J31) & Fenstanton (J27), including A1307 outbound (9pm - 6am)

Fri 24 to Mon 28

A1 northbound Brampton Hut exit slip (Fri 9pm - Mon 5am)

Sat 25 for one night

A14 full closure eastbound & westbound between Fenstanton (J27) & Swavesey(J28), to remove A14 temporary bailey bridge (9pm - 6am). More details are shown in the next item in the Bulletin.

The official diversion route will be signposted and diversion maps are attached for our A1 and A14 closures. There are also variable message signs in place that will advise drivers of the upcoming closures.

We regularly update details of closures specific to our A14 Cambridge to Huntingdon improvement scheme on our [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/a14c2h) (www.facebook.com/a14c2h) and [Twitter](https://twitter.com/A14C2H) (@A14C2H) pages. You can also find our latest posts by searching #A14C2Hclosures.

For questions about the A14C2H closures or scheme, just email A14CambridgeHuntingdon@highwaysengland.co.uk. For updates or information about closures not related to the scheme email info@highwaysengland.co.uk or call 0300 123 5000.

Please note - closures may be subject to change, so check out the social media pages daily for updates.

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

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

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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

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3. A14 Cambridge to Huntingdon - A14 Temporary Bailey Bridge Removal

The temporary bridge over the A14 at Swavesey will be taken down this week, having played its part in keeping construction traffic away from the busy A14 during construction of Britain's biggest road upgrade.

To carry out this work safely, the A14 will need to be closed between junctions 24 (Godmanchester) and 31 (Girton interchange) from 9pm to 6am as follows:

- A14 westbound closure only on Tuesday 21 November
- Full A14 closure in both directions on Saturday 25 November.

During the closures, clearly signed diversions will be in place. Drivers heading east will be

diverted to take the A1198 to Caxton Gibbet, then the A428 to re-join the A14. Traffic heading west will follow this route in reverse (official diversion map attached).

Local traffic will still be able to continue eastbound on the A14 to reach junction 27 (Fenstanton) and exit, at which point the A14 will be closed. Similarly local traffic heading westbound will still be able to reach junction 28 (Swavesey) and exit.

Full details are also attached and if you have any further questions email A14CambridgeHuntingdon@highwaysengland.co.uk or contact your areas stakeholder manager.

There are regular updates on closures specific to the A14 Cambridge to Huntingdon improvement scheme on [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/a14c2h) (www.facebook.com/a14c2h) and [Twitter](https://twitter.com/A14C2H) (@A14C2H) pages. You can also find our latest posts by searching #A14C2Hclosures.

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4. Rough Sleeping Estimate 2017



Every year the Council needs to estimate the number of people sleeping rough in the district. Last year the estimate was 0. Please can you contact [Sue Carter](#) if you are aware of anyone sleeping rough in your community, **overnight between 23-24 November 2017**. The definition of a rough sleeper is as follows:

People sleeping, about to bed down (sitting on/in or standing next to their bedding) or actually bedded down in the open air (such as on the streets, in tents, doorways, parks, bus shelters or encampments). People in buildings or other places not designed for habitation (such as stairwells, barns, sheds, car parks, cars, derelict boats, stations, or "bashes").

This definition does not include people in hostels or shelters, people in campsites or other sites used for recreational purposes or organised protest, squatters or Travellers.

Where possible and to prevent double counting it would be helpful if you can provide the following information when notifying us of any rough sleepers:-

- Their location

- Gender
- Age brackets (under 18/18-25/ 25 and over)
- Nationality (UK National/ EU National/ Non-EU National)

GENERAL INFORMATION

5. 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		
15/11/2017	Cambridge News	The vision for the new 1,200 homes in Cherry Hinton	Link	
15/11/2017	Cambridge Independent	Cambridge North station hotel to go forward, but changes needed for CB4 office block	Link	
15/11/2017	Cambridge News	Huge office block and shops plan for Cambridge North station rejected due to cycle routes	Link	
15/11/2017	BBC Radio Cambridgeshire	Cllr P.Topping interviewed on Drive Time about Local Plan update	Scroll to 1'05" in	
15/11/2017	Star Radio Online	Jobs and homes plans set to enter home straight after Government review	Link	
15/11/2017	Star Radio Online	Plans for hotel alongside Cambridge North Station approved	Link	
15/11/2017	BBC News Online	Train station hotel gets the green light	Link	
15/11/2017	Cambridge Independent	33,500 new homes on way	P1 & 5	Article about progress of Local Plan
15/11/2017	Cambridge Independent	Cambourne to Cambridge busway debate will rage on	P8 & 9	GCP article
15/11/2017	Cambridge Independent	Councils deny involvement in 'unvaccinated travellers' claim	P14	
15/11/2017	Cambridge Independent	Beauty spot used as bin	P16	
15/11/2017	Cambridge Independent	New grant fund to help green effort	P19	
15/11/2017	Cambridge Independent	GP pilot scheme will give support to lonely people	P21	
15/11/2017	Cambridge Independent	Hotel and offices set for approval	P21	Article on Cambridge North Station. Based on officer recommendations before meeting held
15/11/2017	Cambridge Independent	Letter from Cllr John Williams: Get a grip and give us a decent service	P27	Same letter as published in Cambridge News on 10/11/17
16/11/2017	Cambridge	Hundreds more jobs expected as	Link	

	Independent	Babraham Research Campus expansion gets the go-ahead		
16/11/2017	BBC News Online	Hundreds of jobs promised at Babraham research hub	Link	
16/11/2017	Cambridge News	Green light for £35m expansion of life science hub	Link	
17/11/2017	Star Radio Online	Kick off approaches for new student and community sports ground	Link	
17/11/2017	Star Radio Online	Expansion of research campus could provide hundreds more jobs	Link	
17/11/2017	Cambridge News	Plan for office block rejected over cycle lane	P9	
17/11/2017	Cambridge News	Hotel at new station given the go-ahead	P9	
17/11/2017	Star Radio Online	New rail link and station move a step closer after backing from Government advisors	Link	
18/11/2017	Cambridge News online	How brain belt expressway could help ease Cambridge's housing crisis	Link	
20/11/2017	Cambridge News	Sports centre will serve community	P2	
20/11/2017	Cambridge News	'Brain belt' expressway could ease housing crisis	P6	
22/11/2017	Daily Mail Money	Shamed: The firms that charge up to 3% to pay by credit card...even though Ministers say the fees are a rip off	Link	
22/11/2017	BBC News Online	Cambridge Airport engine testing facility approved	Link	
22/11/2017	Star Radio Online	Plans for state of the art engine testing facility at Cambridge Airport approved	Link	

6. 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 16 November: *BBC Online*: [Housing associations reclassified as private to encourage building](#)

Sajid Javid has announced that the Government will take housing associations' debt from its balance sheet.

Thursday 16 November: *BBC Online*: [Traveller site numbers "not being met"](#)

Less than a third of the required number of traveller pitches in England have been built, according to Freedom of Information figures.

Thursday 16 November: *Guardian*: [#OurDay 2017](#)

On Tuesday 21 November, council employees, councillors and volunteers will use #OurDay to showcase the work they and their colleagues do.

Friday 17 November: *Telegraph*: [Javid calls on Hammond for housing budget](#)

Communities Secretary Sajid Javid has called for a "giant leap" in the number of new homes being built. It comes despite latest figures showing 217,350 additional homes were built in

England last year.

Friday 17 November: *Guardian*: [Hammond urged to invest £7bn for new towns](#)

The National Infrastructure Commission is calling on Philip Hammond to earmark £7 billion for new transport links covering Oxford, Cambridge and Milton Keynes.

Friday 17 November: *Metro Online*: [Report calls for end to borough and district councils](#)

A think-tank has called for 201 district and borough councils in England to be abolished and their powers handed over to county councils.

Saturday 18 November: *Telegraph*: [Council using private companies to crack down on litter](#)

A *Telegraph* investigation claims around one in seven councils in England responsible for issuing fixed penalty notices has now handed powers over to private companies.

Sunday 19 November: *Sunday Times*: [Hammond pledges to build 300,000 homes a year](#)

Philip Hammond will announce plans to build 300,000 homes a year in the week's Budget.

Tuesday 21 November: *Guardian Online*: [Opinion: Give councils more borrowing powers to build](#)

The LGA's Housing spokesman Cllr Martin Tett's recent call for the Government to allow councils to borrow to build in the Autumn Budget features in an editorial by Darren Baxter of the IPPR think-tank.

Wednesday 22 November: *Independent Online*: [Flagship new housing plan fails to deliver a single home in three years](#)

The Government's Starter Homes policy, announced in 2014, has failed to deliver a single home, analysis by the Independent has found.

Wednesday 22 November: *Mail*: [London's rich "pay less council tax than family in Wiltshire"](#)

Residents in central London are paying less council tax than families in Wiltshire, according to a *Mail* investigation.

7. 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 15 NOVEMBER 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'](#).

8. Community Led Housing Grant Application

The Leader

AGREED to approve a community-led development grant fund of £4,500 to Cottenham Community Land Trust.

This decision was first published on Friday 17 November and so the deadline for call-in is Friday 24 November. If not called-in this decision can be implemented on Monday 27 November.

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

9. Newly-Published Items on modern.gov



Agendas

- [Council 23 November](#)

Decisions

- [Community Led Housing Grant Application](#)

Minutes

- [Housing Portfolio Holder 18 October](#)

10. **SCDC Starters and Leavers**



New Employees at the Council

Name: Paul Fleming
Job title: Street Cleansing Operative
Date starting: 11 December 2017

Name: Carl Graham
Job title: Refuse Loader
Date started: 13 November 2017

Name: Gavin Hall
Job title: Refuse Loader
Date started: 1 November 2017

Name: Jorge Pereira
Job title: Refuse Loader
Date started: 13 November 2017

Name: Peter Smith
Job title: Refuse Loader
Date started: 6 November 2017

Staff who have moved jobs



Name: Bethany Lock
Old Job Title: Customer Contact Assistant
New Job Title: Electoral Services Support Officer
Date moved: 13 November 2017

Name: Kristian Edwards
Old Job Title: Refuse & Recycling Operative
New Job Title: Refuse Driver
Date moved: 1 July 2017

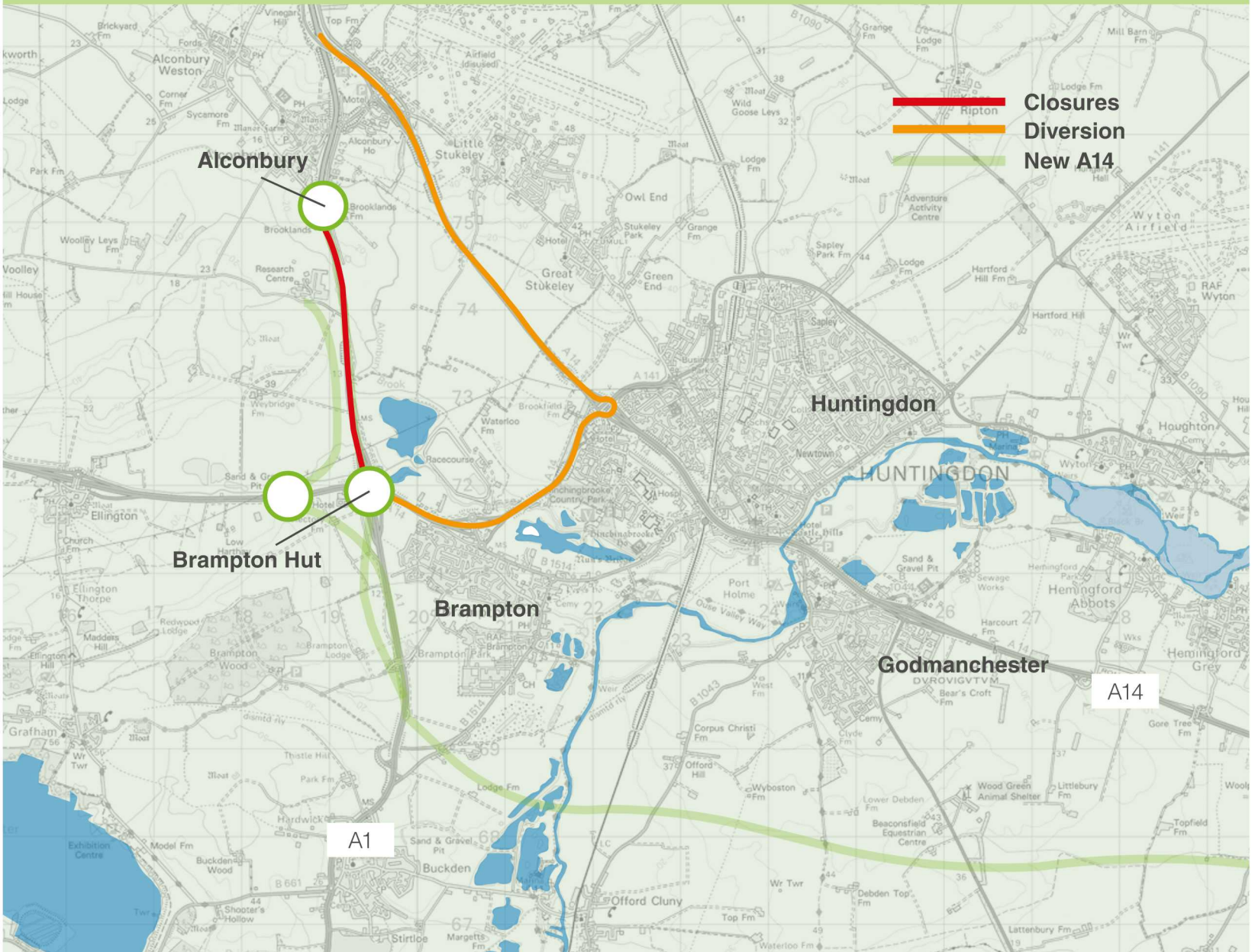
Name: Tony Wallis
Old Job Title: Technical Support Officer
New Job Title: Planning Enforcement Monitoring
and Project Officer
Date Moved: 11 September 2017

Agenda Item 2



A14 Cambridge to Huntingdon improvement scheme

Diversion for A1 closures between Brampton and Alconbury



The scheme will:

- combat congestion, making the A14 more reliable and providing capacity for future growth
- unlock economic growth, both regionally and nationally
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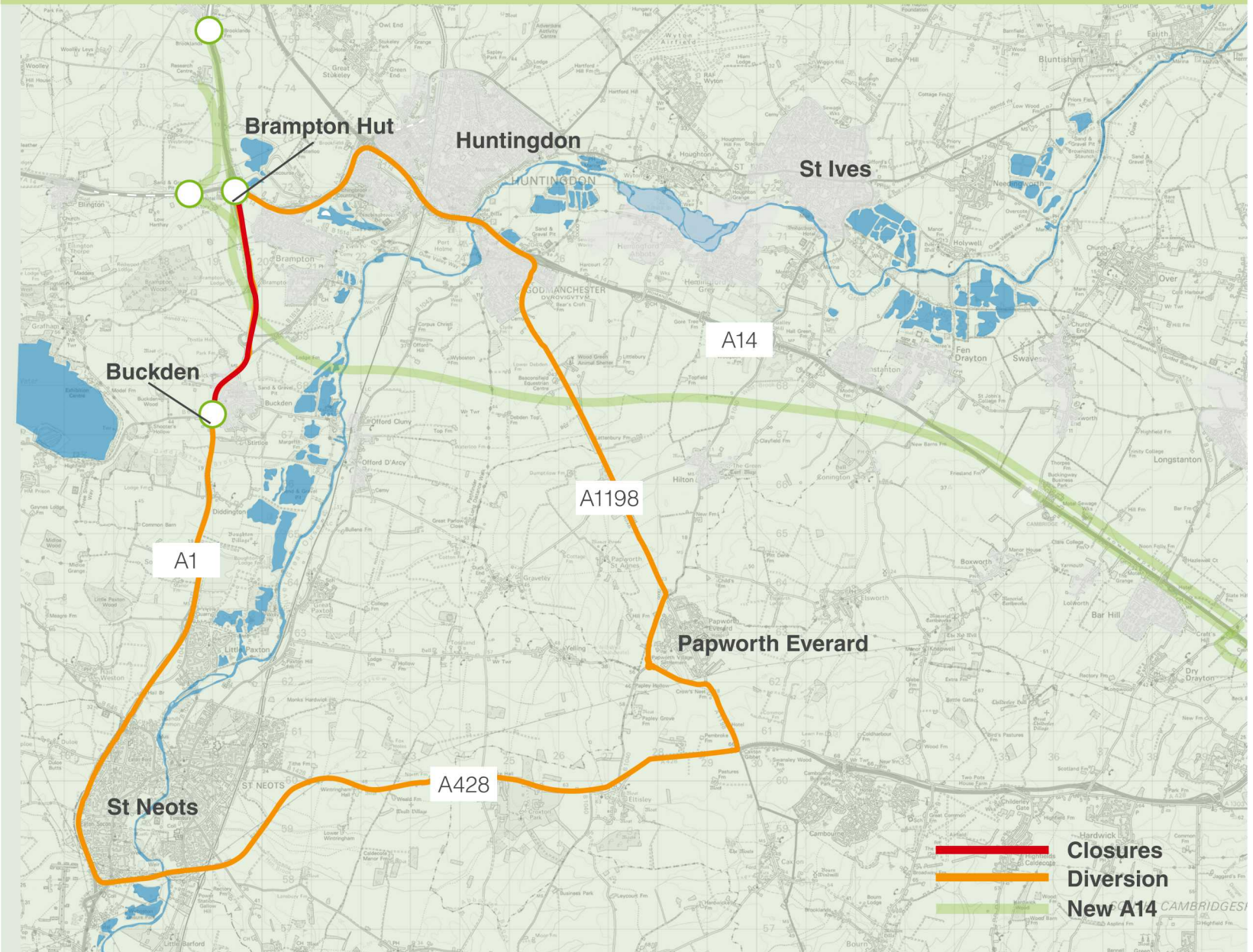
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Diversion for A1 closures between Buckden to Brampton Hut



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Diversion for A14 closures between St Ives and Girton



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Agenda Item 3

A14 Cambridge to Huntingdon Improvement Scheme Planned Closures

A14 roadworks bridge to be taken down

A temporary bridge over the A14 at Swavesey will be taken down this week, having played its part in keeping construction traffic away from the busy A14 during construction of Britain's biggest road upgrade.

The bridge, part of the £1.5 billion A14 Cambridge to Huntingdon improvement, has been used to carry 160,000 cubic metres of construction materials – enough to fill 65 Olympic swimming pools – from the south to the north of the A14 in just over two months. Without it, 40,000 extra lorry movements would have been needed on the current A14.

Now all the construction materials have been moved across, the bridge is no longer needed and can be removed.

Highways England project manager for the A14 Cambridge to Huntingdon Chris Griffin said:

“Using this temporary bridge has helped us to carry out work to prepare the construction of the future Swavesey interchange with minimal impact on people's journeys, and is just one of the ways in which we are keeping traffic moving while we deliver these vital improvements for the A14. The bridge will be taken down using temporary overnight closures on the A14, so I encourage drivers to plan ahead and find out what to do if they are affected.”

To carry out this work safely, the A14 will need to be closed between junctions 24 (Godmanchester) and 31 (Girton interchange) from 9pm to 6am as follows:

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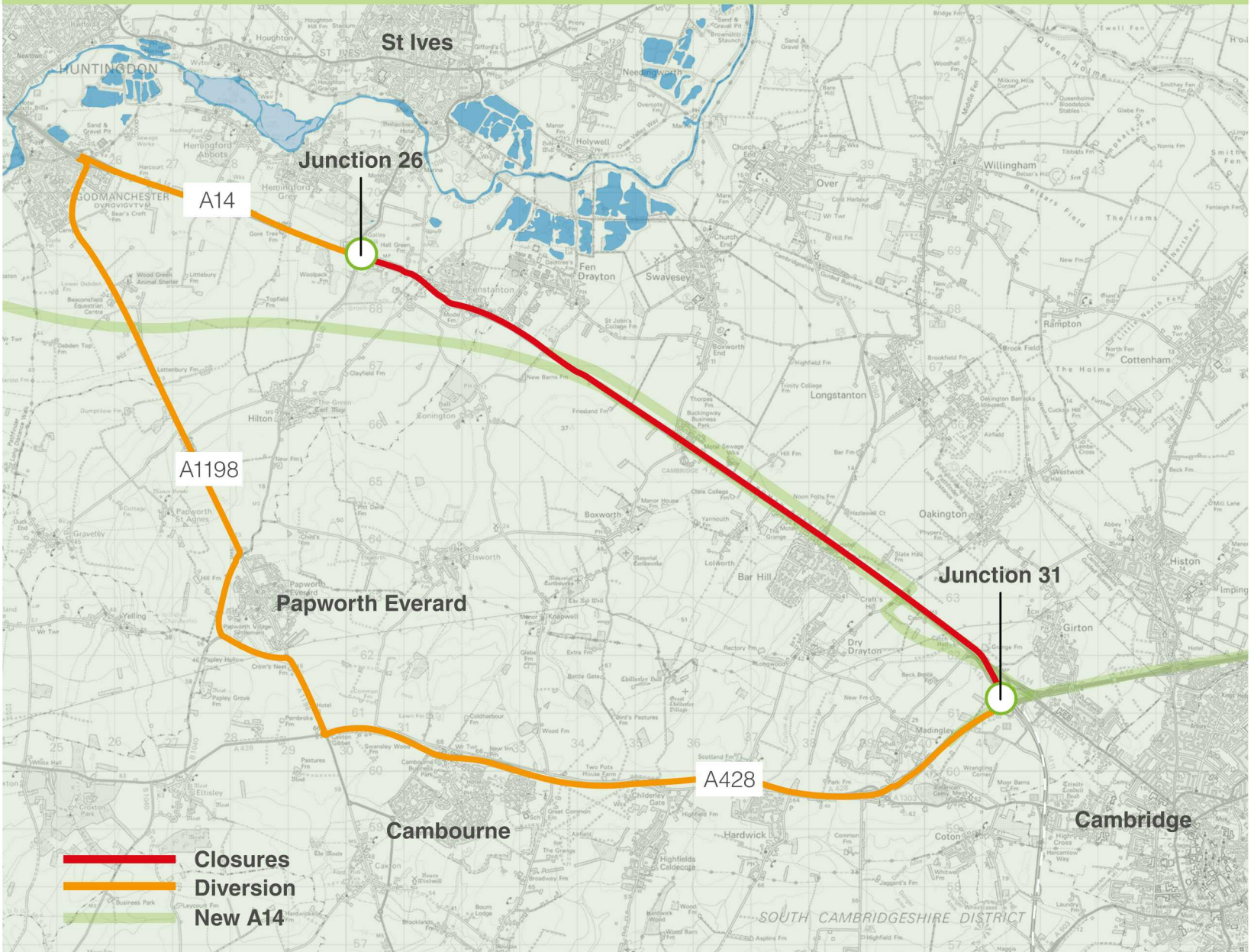
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To check the latest traffic information, listen to traffic bulletins on local and national radio stations, visit <http://www.trafficengland.com/> and follow Highways England on Twitter via @HighwaysEAST.

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