## COUNCILLORS' BULLETIN WEDNESDAY, 10 JANUARY 2018



**South Cambridgeshire** District Council

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# 1. Meetings and events from Thursday 11 January to Friday 26 January 2018

Date	Time	Name	Venue	Contact
Thu 11 Jan	10am	Employment Committee	Jeavons Room	Patrick Adams
Fri 12 Jan				
Mon 15 Jan	11:59pm	Deadline for Council motions and questions		
Tue 16 Jan	брт	Finance & Staffing Portfolio Holder - CANCELLED		
Wed 17 Jan				
Thu 18 Jan	2pm	Greater Cambridge Partnership Joint Assembly	County Council	Kathrin John
Fri 19 Jan				
Mon 22 Jan				
Tue 23 Jan	2pm	Health & Wellbeing Portfolio Holder – CANCELLED		
Wed 24 Jan	10am	<u>Licensing Committee</u>	Monkfield Room	Patrick Adams
Thu 25 Jan	2pm	Council	Council Chamber	Kathrin John
Fri 26 Jan	9:30am	Audit & Corporate Governance Committee	Swansley Room	Patrick Adams

## INFORMATION FOR DISTRICT COUNCILLORS AND PARISH COUNCILS

### 2. Community Awards 2017-18

Anyone living in South Cambridgeshire can nominate a person or organisation for an award. You can make as many nominations as you like but you need to get your nomination in by midnight on 19 January 2018.

Our Community Awards are a well deserved thank you for the massive contribution made by volunteers to the communities of South Cambridgeshire.

There are six award categories:

- Village Hero for an outstanding individual's contributions to community life.
- Parish Councillor of the Year for great work carried out by parish councillors, giving their time to improve the local community for everyone
- Outstanding Youth Initiative for excellent work by youth groups and local businesses to support young people in South Cambridgeshire
- Outstanding Local Service/Amenity for amazing services provided by local shops, pubs, post offices, libraries, and many more besides
- Environment Award for the valuable contribution made by groups who seek to improve villages for residents in the long and short term
- Wellbeing Award for the many groups improving residents' health and wellbeing, both mental and physical

A panel of elected Councillors and officers will judge all nominations received before the closing date. The awards will be announced at the Awards Evening on Thursday 08 March 2018.

Please fill in our online form to make a nomination for the 2017-18 Community awards: https://www.scambs.gov.uk/community-awards

# 3. A14 Cambridge to Huntingdon - Planned Closures

## Below is a notification from Highways England on this week's planned closures:

We'll be closing the A1 this week for emergency pothole repairs, during which we'll be taking the opportunity to refresh the white lines and add back the 40mph signage on the A1 northbound past Brampton Hut. Our official diversion route will be signposted and you can find diversion maps on our social media pages (or just email us for additional copies).

## This week's A14 Cambridge to Huntingdon closures;

#### Mon 8 to Tue 9

A14 eastbound between Histon (J32) & Milton (J33), each night, 9pm - 6am Full closure Mere Way, under Kings Hedges Bridge (each night, 9pm - 6am) A1 northbound Buckden to Alconbury, to re-surface potholes, refresh white lines & add back the 40mph signs (each night, 9pm - 6am)

### Wed 10 to Thurs 11

A1 southbound Alconbury to Brampton, to re-surface potholes and refresh white lines (each night, 9pm - 6am)

#### Wed 10 to Fri 12

A14 westbound Histon (J32), entry slip (each night, 9pm - 6am)

#### Fri 12 to Mon 15

Full closure Grafham Rd - between Park Road, Brampton & Van Diemen's Way Grafham (Fri 8pm – Mon 5am)

### **Sat 13 to Sun 14**

Full closure A1198 Ermine St – between Wood Green Animal Shelter & Barnfield Lane (Sat 7am – Sun 7pm).

We regularly update details of closures specific to our A14 Cambridge to Huntingdon improvement scheme on our <a href="Facebook">Facebook</a> (<a href="www.facebook.com/a14c2h">www.facebook.com/a14c2h</a>) and <a href="Twitter">Twitter</a> (<a href="@A14C2H">@A14C2H</a>) pages. You can also find our latest posts by searching #A14C2Hclosures.

For questions about our A14C2H closures or scheme, just email <a href="mailto:A14CambridgeHuntingdon@highwaysengland.co.uk">A14CambridgeHuntingdon@highwaysengland.co.uk</a>. For updates or information about closures not related to our scheme email info@highwaysengland.co.uk or call 0300 123 5000.

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

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

<u>Section 1 & 2:</u> Alconbury to the East Coast Main Line **Jon Lewell** - jon.lewell@thea14.com

<u>Section 3:</u> 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.

# **UPCOMING DISTRICT COUNCILLOR TRAINING**

Unless otherwise specified, please confirm your availability to attend any of the following briefing or training events by contacting <u>Patrick Adams</u> 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. Homelessness Briefing: Mon 15 Jan 4pm-6pm

Please can we remind you that we have arranged a briefing on the Homelessness Reduction Act and its implications for the Council

Date: Monday 15 January 2018

Time: 16.00 - 17:30

There has been much media coverage of the relentless increase in homelessness and its impact on those affected. South Cambs has always placed the emphasis on preventing homelessness but now even we are facing increasing challenges. The Homelessness Reduction Act brings additional responsibilities for all councils and reflecting the importance that South Cambs places on addressing this challenge, we have arranged for an external specialist facilitator to provide a briefing for all members.

Please may we ask that you respond to <u>Sue Carter</u> by Wednesday 10 January so that we can estimate numbers as some of our neighbouring councils are interested in taking any spare places we have for this important briefing.

## 5. Member Briefing on Data Protection and Cyber Security

A briefing will be held for all Members on Data Protection and Cyber Security on **Thursday, 25 January 2018** commencing at **10.30am** in the Council Chamber, South Cambridgeshire Hall as indicated below:-

<u>Data Protection and General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR):</u> Jo Brooks, Information Governance Manager & Data Protection Officer, 3C Shared Service

The aim of the session is to give Members a greater understanding of general data protection requirements and, in particular, the changes that will be introduced by the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) in May 2018. Additionally, the session aims to raise awareness of Members' personal responsibilities in handling data.

Cyber Security: Paul Sumpter, Head of Digital and ICT 3C Shared Services

Members will receive a briefing on online Cyber Security which will aim to increase Members' awareness regarding e-mail and messaging security.

It is anticipated that the briefing will last around an hour and that there will be an opportunity for any questions Members may have.

## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

## 6. 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	<b>Publication</b>	Details		
04/01/18	Cambridge News Online	We're getting a new swimming pool, three schools, a running track and 2,350 homes	<u>Link</u>	Article about Cambourne West expansion
04/01/18	Star Radio Online	Facilities boost as Cambourne extension agreements signed	<u>Link</u>	
04/01/18	Cambridge News	Village's £45m boost	Р3	Article about Cambourne West expansion
04/01/18	Star Radio Online	Happy New Year for six community groups	<u>Link</u>	-
04/01/18	Cambridge News Online	New report shows where 'transport hubs' could be built to ease Cambridge's congestion	<u>Link</u>	
04/01/18	Cambridge Network	Villages speed towards new rural travel hubs	<u>Link</u>	
04/01/18	BBC Radio Cambridgeshire	Physical Activity Coordinator Ellen Bridges interviewed about Let's Get Moving Cambridgeshire programme efforts to get residents active	Scrol 1 to 25 mins in	
04/01/18	Star Radio Online	Villages speed towards new rural travel hubs		
05/01/18	Cambridge News	Village sites for potential 'transport hubs' revealed	P11	
05/01/18	Cambridge News Online	More office plans for Cambridge North station after previous scheme rejected	<u>Link</u>	
05/01/18	BBC Radio Cambridgeshire	Cllr Francis Burkitt interviewed about GCP plans for Foxton Station	Scrol 1 to 40 mins in	GCP item
05/01/18	Cambridge Network	Have your say on Local Plan modifications	<u>Link</u>	
05/01/18	Star Radio Online	Have your say on Local Plan modifications	<u>Link</u>	
05/01/18	BBC Radio Cambridgeshire	Cllr Peter Topping interviewed on Drive Time about rural travel hubs	Scrol 1 to 1hr 20 in	
07/01/18	Cambridge News Online	Trees I wanted chopped down destroyed my belongings in Storm Eleanor'	<u>Link</u>	
07/01/18	Cambridge Independent Online	Closing in on recycling target - but half still heads to landfill	<u>Link</u>	

08/01/18	Cambridge	A man often shed destroyed in wind	P5	
U8/U1/10	Cambridge News	Anger after shed destroyed in wind	Po	
08/01/18	Cambridge	Permission has been granted on appeal	<u>Link</u>	
	Independent Online	for 99 homes to be built in Swavesey		
08/01/18	Royston Crow	South Cambs community invited to have say on modifications to draft Local Plan	Link	
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08/01/18	Cambridge Network	Action urged as A10 study welcomed	<u>Link</u>	
08/01/18	Star Radio Online	Action urged as A10 study welcomed	<u>Link</u>	
08/01/18	Cambridge News Online	Danger road' A10 to be dualled in half a billion pound scheme	Link	
08/01/18	Heart Radio Online	Growth & Development For Cambridge Corridor	<u>Link</u>	GCP coverage only
08/01/18	BBC News Online	-	Link	GCP coverage only
09/01/18	Cambridge News Online	We don't want a new cycleway stopping us parking outside our homes'	Link	GCP item
09/01/18	Cambridge News	11 0 1	P6	
09/01/18	Cambridge News	City car use increasing	P15	GCP item on Big Conversation survey
09/01/18	That's Cambridge TV	Cllr Peter Topping interviewed about potential rural travel hubs	<u>Link</u>	
09/01/18	That's Cambridge TV	Cllr Robert Turner interviewed about Cambourne S106 confirmation	Link	

### 7. 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.

# **Association**

Thursday 4 January 2018: Mail: Recycling "to be burned or buried"

Plastic tubs, pots and bottles collected in recycling bins may soon have to be incinerated or sent to landfill instead.

Thursday 4 January 2018: *Telegraph:* Farmers will receive post-Brexit subsidies
Environment Secretary Michael Gove will today announce plans to replace EU subsidies.

Friday 5 January 2018: *BBC Online*: <u>PM on Windsor homeless comments</u>
Theresa May said it was 'important councils work hard to ensure they are providing accommodation for homeless people.'

Tuesday 9 January 2018: BBC Online: Restore lifetime tenancies to vulnerable tenants, say peers

Ministers are being told to give councils and housing associations back the right to offer lifetime tenancies to vulnerable tenants.

Wednesday 10 January 2018: Guardian: PM to criticise 'throwaway culture" of plastic waste and

## extend plastic bag charge

The 5p charge for plastic bags is to be extended to smaller shops with less than 250 employees, as the Prime Minister is set to outline the Government's 25-year plan for the environment tomorrow.

Wednesday 10 January 2018: *Guardian:* Rise in rural homelessness
There has been an increase in rural homelessness, with the wider areas covered by district and rural councils making it more difficult for council services to help people sleeping rough, an in depth feature reports.

## 8. 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 <u>Planning Application Search</u>. Once the page has loaded, you can use the <u>Search option</u> 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 3 JANUARY 2018**



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 <u>Part 4 of the Council's Constitution</u>, 'Scrutiny and Overview Committee Procedure Rules'.

## 9. Sale of Land to the east of 6 Blacksmiths Close, Babraham for Self-Build

The Housing Portfolio Holder

### **AGREED**

To approve the sale of HRA owned land adjoining 6 Blacksmiths Close, Babraham for the best value price of £246,300.

This decision was first published on Thursday 4 January 2018 and so the deadline for call-in is Thursday 11 January at 5pm. If not called-in this decision can be implemented on Friday 12 January.

### 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

# 10. Newly-Published Items on modern.gov



## **Agendas**

- Employment Committee 11 Jan
- Greater Cambridge Partnership Joint Assembly 18 Jan

### **Decisions**

- Housing Portfolio Holder: Sale of Land at Babraham
- Civic Affairs Committee 4 Jan

## **Plans**

Forward Plan of Key Decisions

#### **Issues**

- Write Offs 2018
- Recommendations from the Member
   Task and Finished Group on Supporting
   Rural Businesses
- <u>Lettings Policy</u>

### 11. SCDC Starters and Leavers



## Staff who have left

Name: Edward Finlay Job title: Refuse Driver

Date leaving: 13 January 2018

Name: Martin Kent Job title: Refuse Driver

Date leaving: 22 January 2018