

COUNCILLORS' BULLETIN  
WEDNESDAY, 4 APRIL 2018

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South  
Cambridgeshire  
District Council

1. Meetings and events from Thursday 5 April to Friday 20 April

Date	Time	Name	Venue	Contact
Thu 5 Apr				
Fri 6 Apr				
Mon 9 Apr				
Tue 10 Apr				
Wed 11 Apr				
Thu 12 Apr				
Fri 13 Apr				
Mon 16 Apr				
Tue 17 Apr	6pm	<a href="#">Finance &amp; Staffing Portfolio Holder</a>	Swansley Room A	<a href="#">Ian Senior</a>
Wed 18 Apr				
Thu 19 Apr	2pm	<a href="#">Cabinet</a>	Swansley Room	<a href="#">Victoria Wallace</a> (agenda)
Fri 20 Apr				

INFORMATION FOR DISTRICT COUNCILLORS AND PARISH COUNCILS

2. Reduced Bulletin Due to the Pre-election Period (Purdah)

Please note that during the pre-election "Purdah" period we will be producing a shorter version of the Weekly Bulletin which is limited to links to any agendas, minutes or decisions published in the last week and a list of starters and leavers.

3. A14 Cambridge to Huntingdon Monthly Parish Council Bulletin

*Please find attached the latest A14 Parish Bulletin, covering April to May, from Highways England.*

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  
**Jon Lewell** - [jon.lewell@thea14.com](mailto:jon.lewell@thea14.com)

Section 3: East Coast Main Line to Swavesey  
**Jade Pettit** - [jade.pettit@thea14.com](mailto:jade.pettit@thea14.com)

Section 4 & 5: Swavesey to Milton  
**Bob Pettipher** - [bob.pettipher@thea14.com](mailto: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.

## GENERAL INFORMATION

### 4. 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 28 MARCH 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 [Part 4 of the Council's Constitution, 'Scrutiny and Overview Committee Procedure Rules'](#).

### 5. Designation of Pampisford Neighbourhood Area

The Planning Portfolio Holder

**APPROVED** the designation of a Neighbourhood Area for Pampisford as proposed by the Parish Council.

*This decision was first published on Thursday 29 March and so the deadline for call-in is 5pm on Monday 9 April (due to the two Easter Bank Holidays.) If not called-in the decision can be implemented on Tuesday 10 April.*

## 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

### 6. Newly-Published Items on modern.gov



#### Decisions

- [Designation of Pampisford Neighbourhood Area \(Planning Portfolio Holder\)](#)

### 7. SCDC Starters and Leavers



#### Staff who have left

Name: Kelsey Willard  
Job title: Resource Assistant  
Date left: 16 February 2018

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# Agenda Item 3

## A14 Cambridge to Huntingdon Improvement Scheme

### April to May 2018

#### Sections 1 & 2 - Alconbury to the East Coast Main Line Section 3 - East Coast Main Line to Swavesey Sections 4 & 5 - Swavesey to Milton

#### Traffic Management:

**Sections 1 & 2:** Narrow lanes and a 40mph speed limit remain in force on the A1.

**Section 3:** Road closures are booked on the following dates;  
B1040: 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> of April – West Brook earthworks (provisional)  
Hilton Road: 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> April – Utilities connections (provisional)

**Sections 4 & 5:** Narrow lanes and speed restrictions remain on the A14 between Swavesey and the Girton interchange. Speed is limited to 40 mph in this area and speed cameras monitor compliance.

Bar Hill overbridge will be closed between 3<sup>rd</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> April. Traffic diversions will utilise the A14 itself and details of these have been circulated widely to residents and via social media. More information can be found under the 'What's next' section: [www.highways.gov.uk/A14C2H](http://www.highways.gov.uk/A14C2H)

#### Construction Activities:

**Sections 1 and 2:** Work on the new southbound carriageway of the A1, north of Brampton Hut has been completed 2 weeks ahead of schedule. Southbound traffic now flows along the new carriageway. Moving the traffic will allow us to start work on the old southbound carriageway, safely behind the new concrete central barrier. This barrier follows the line of what will become the centre of the new 3-lane A1. To the east, the new concrete water channel, which marks the eastern edge of the new highway, can be now be seen. Pictured below is the team which worked throughout the weekend to complete the new road.



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## A14 Cambridge to Huntingdon Improvement Scheme April to May 2018

At the River Great Ouse, the viaduct beams have nearly reached the water and in this period, we will be installing the extra-large 80 metre beams that will cross the river. The heaviest of these weighs 150 tonnes, equivalent to 25 male African elephants. The placement of the bridge deck slabs, which we've manufactured at our own on-site plant, will also begin. Each of these weighs 25 tonnes, (6 female African elephants).

**Section 3:** In recent weeks the team has poured the concrete deck (the part of the bridge that the road will sit on) of the east coast mainline bridge. This would normally have to be done at night, but we have worked with Network Rail to do so during the day, which ensured it was done more quickly. The necessary site clearance has now been completed, with all suitable checks for wildlife carried out before we did so. We have also completed the diversion works for Westbrook.

As the weather, hopefully, starts to improve, we will resume the earthwork moving activities, so a larger volume of the heavy machinery on site will be visible. To facilitate this across Potton Road we have reinforced the carriageway and will have a signalised crossing point (plant crossing) in operation.

**Sections 4 & 5:** Construction of the permanent supports (abutments) for the bridge next to the westbound carriageway at Swavesey is progressing well. These will support the first beams of the new bridge which will be built to the west of the current overbridge. This is due to take place in early April.

Work on the overbridge at Bar Hill will begin on 3<sup>rd</sup> April. This will mean a seven-day closure of the existing bridge to allow us to align the bridge with a new temporary slip road that has been constructed to the west. This slip road will provide new access and exit points for the eastbound carriageway of the A14. Once traffic is diverted onto this new alignment, we can begin work on building the new bridges required for the Bar Hill junction.

The abutments for the temporary Bailey bridge, which will span the A14 carriageway near Dry Drayton, are rising steadily on both sides of the road. The bridge, which was previously at Swavesey, is scheduled to be launched across the A14 in May, when a full closure of the carriageway will be needed. This will allow our heavy earth moving machinery to carry materials from the north side of the road to the south without using the A14.

### Archaeology

We can now reveal exciting news of the discoveries made by the hundreds of archaeologists working on the project. Their extensive work has revealed evidence covering 6,000 years of occupation in Cambridgeshire, including a Roman trade distribution centre, an abandoned medieval village and three prehistoric monuments, all of which are of national importance. In total, around 350 hectares have been excavated, an area equivalent to half the size of Gibraltar, making it one of the biggest and most complex archaeological projects ever undertaken in the UK. The finds mean experts now have a much better understanding of how the Cambridgeshire landscape was used by our ancestors. There will be opportunities for the public to see the A14 archaeology work in action in the coming months. More information is available at: [www.molaheadland.com/events/A14C2H](http://www.molaheadland.com/events/A14C2H). Pictured below are some of the artefacts found and excavation of a Neolithic henge.



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## Community Engagement



On Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> March, the A14 welcomed members of the public to the project as part of the national 'Open Doors – Get in to Construction' event. In total, 320 visitors took advantage of the chance to tour our construction sites. They were genuinely impressed by what they saw and heard and we had many requests for repeat events.



On Monday 26<sup>th</sup> March, we took our mobile visitor centre to Tesco at Bar Hill, so that we could talk to people about the forthcoming closure of the overbridge.

Prior to this we completed a letter drop to over 2000 properties in Bar Hill, left leaflets about the closure in prominent local amenities in Longstanton and attended parish council meetings at Fenstanton, Bar Hill and Longstanton.

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