

**COUNCILLORS' BULLETIN
WEDNESDAY, 6 JUNE 2018**



South
Cambridgeshire
District Council

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Thu 14 Jun	2pm	Greater Cambridge Partnership Joint Assembly	Cambridge City Council	Democratic Services
Fri 15 Jun				
Mon 18 Jun				
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Wed 20 Jun	6:30pm	Cabinet & Parish Liaison Meeting	Council Chamber	Gemma Barron
Thu 21 Jun	10am	Grants Advisory Committee	Mezzanine	Ian Senior
	6pm	Scrutiny & Overview Committee	Swansley Room	Victoria Wallace
Fri 22 Jun				

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](#) 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.

2. Licensing Training on 11 June at 9:30am at the Guildhall

Course: Licensing Training
Date: Monday 11 June
Time: 9:30am to 4pm
Venue: Guildhall, Cambridge City Council

All Members who wish to sit on the Licensing Committee, either as a full Member or as a substitute, need to have received training in the last two years.

3. Introduction to Overview and Scrutiny on 21 June at 2pm

Course: Introduction to Overview and Scrutiny
Date: Thursday 21 June
Time: 2pm to 5pm
Venue: Council Chamber at South Cambs Hall, Cambourne

This course is being run by Paul Cutler from the Centre for Public Scrutiny. It is for all Scrutiny and Overview Committee members and substitutes and will focus on the functions of the Scrutiny and Overview process. The training is scheduled to take place before the first meeting of the Scrutiny and Overview Committee at 6pm on the same day.

4. Member Development Day on Friday 22 June (all day)

Four courses:

9am to 11am: Casework & Community Advocacy
11:30am to 1:30pm: Managing Difficult People
1:45pm to 3:45pm: Safe & Confident Use of Social Media
4pm to 6pm: Chairing Skills

These courses are being run by David McGrath of Link Support Services. Members do not have to attend the whole day but can pick slots that are convenient to them. These courses will be held again on Monday 30 July.

5. Mock Licensing Hearings on 25 June in the afternoon

Course: Mock Licensing Hearings
Date: Monday 25 June
Time: Afternoon (after Licensing Committee meeting)
Venue: Swansley Room, South Cambs Hall, Cambourne

For members of the Licensing Committee to provide experience of sitting on three member panels that determine licensing applications relating to taxi drivers and various premises.

6. Visit to Waterbeach Depot on 27 June in the Afternoon

Event: Visit to the Depot and Amey Cespa Site on Ely Road, Waterbeach
Date: Wednesday 27 June
Time: Afternoon

This event is aimed at new Members but also available as a refresher for continuing Members. Nearly 200 SCDC staff are based at the Waste Depot at Waterbeach. This is an opportunity for Members to visit the Depot and the adjacent County Council / Amey Cespa waste disposal facility.

This event has not yet been confirmed and is subject to numbers.

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		
30/05/2018	Cambridge Independent	£5.3billion: The astonishing budget for Combined Authority	P6	CA article
30/05/2018	Cambridge Independent	Mayor and GCP struggle for powers	P6	Article focussed on GCP plans for Cambourne to Cambridge busway
30/05/2018	Cambridge Independent	We'll be a different council in two years' says district's leader	P12 & P13	In-depth article on Cllr Bridget Smith's priorities
30/05/2018	Cambridge Independent	Business focus	P12	Remarks on supporting businesses from Cllr Bridget Smith
30/05/2018	Cambridge Independent	Green beacon plans for Oxford - Cambridge arc	P13	Remarks on green measures from Cllr Bridget Smith
30/05/2018	Cambridge Independent	Bourneville model to help top talent land a house	P13	Remarks about housing from Cllr Bridget Smith
30/05/2018	Star Radio Online	Free advice and support sessions to boost local business	Link	
30/05/2018	BBC Look East	Cllr Aiden Van de Weyer clip about planning system - angle is developers say the planning process takes too long. Persimmon say many local Councils don't have enough staff.	Scroll to 6 mins in	
31/05/2018	Cambridge News Online	Calls for a new Park and Ride to fix gridlock at growing Cambridge Biomedical Campus	Link	Cllr Bridget Smith quoted in Combined Authority role
31/05/2018	Cambridge News	Calls for action to avoid biomedical campus gridlock	P6	Cllr Bridget Smith quoted in Combined Authority role
31/05/2018	Cambridge News	Letter: Take stock of the city's positives	P21	Letter from Mayor James Palmer in response to Cllr Deborah Roberts
31/05/2018	Cambridge Independent Online	Warnings new mayoral transport plans could be a "threat" to Cambridge and South Cambridgeshire	Link	Cllr Bridget Smith quoted about the mayoral interim transport strategy statement
31/05/2018	Cambridge Independent Online	We need something now' before biomedical campus hits gridlock says Cambridge leader Cllr Lewis Herbert	Link	Cllr Bridget Smith remarks about business confidence
31/05/2018	BBC News Online	Smithy Fen travellers site: Fines for planning breaches	Link	
31/05/2018	Cambridge News Online	Travellers in Smithy Fen face £60k fines for illegal caravan numbers	Link	
31/05/2018	Star Radio Online	Planning breaches lead to almost £60,000 of fines for Smithy Fen landlords and tenants	Link	
01/06/2018	BBC Radio Cambridgeshire	Cllr Hawkins interviewed about planning breaches at Smithy Fen and fines issued by courts	Scroll to 47 minutes	
01/06/2018	Cambridge Independent online	South Cambridgeshire will be a different council in two years' says leader Cllr Bridget Smith	Link	
01/06/2018	Cambridge Independent online	Landlords and occupants fined almost £60,000 for planning breaches at Cambridgeshire site	Link	
01/06/2018	Ely Standard Online	Almost £60,000 in fines handed to 18 people at Smithy Fen Travellers' site	Link	
04/06/2018	Cambridge News online	This is what a new town on the outskirts of Cambridge will look like	Link	RLW submits outline planning application for Waterbeach new town east to SCDC
05/06/2018	Cambridge	Tributes paid to former Council Leader	Link	

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05/06/2018	Cambridge News	Putting people first'	P1 & P6	RLW submits outline planning application for Waterbeach new town east to SCDC
05/06/2018	Cambridge News	Tributes to former council leader	P7	
06/06/2018	Cambridge News	Delay to decision over busway link	P1 & P6	Clr Aidan van de Weyer quoted regarding Cambridge to Cambourne busway
06/06/2018	Cambridge News online	The Cambridge to Cambourne busway has been put on hold and this is why	Link	Clr Aidan van de Weyer quoted regarding Cambridge to Cambourne busway
06/06/2018	Cambridge Independent	Waterbeach plan will focus on the people, not cars	P6	RLW submits outline planning application for Waterbeach new town east to SCDC
06/06/2018	Cambridge Independent	Stop squabbling or funding will dry up, warns new leader	P8	Clr Bridget Smith quoted regarding GCP / CA disagreements
06/06/2018	Cambridge Independent	Biomedical campus 'will hit gridlock before metro arrives'	P9	Clr Bridget Smith quoted regarding Biomedical campus transport issues
06/06/2018	Cambridge Independent	Tributes paid to a former council leader	P11	
06/06/2018	Cambridge Independent	Almost £60k in fines handed out for planning breaches at travellers site	P25	
06/06/2018	Cambridge Independent	Column: We'll put environment first	P30	Clr Bridget Smith's first column for the paper
06/06/2018	Cambridge Independent	Planning roadshow details	P33	

8. 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.

Saturday 2 June: *Telegraph*: [Countryside at risk owing to planning changes, CPRE warns](#)

The Campaign to Protect Rural England has claimed that greenfield land is being developed at the fastest rate for 25 years.

Tuesday 5 June: *Mail*: [Fly-tipping](#)

Bedfordshire Council has ordered Travellers to abandon a makeshift camp under the M1 when a mound of fly-tipping rubbish has completely blocked a motorway underpass.

Wednesday 6 June: *FT Online*: [English Councils merge twice as many services as cuts bite](#)

Local authorities are increasing the number of shared services following cuts to funding from the Government, which has seen almost half of central government lost since 2010.

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.

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.scambsgov.uk/content/access-information>

OTHER INFORMATION

10. Newly-Published Items on modern.gov



Agendas

- [Greater Cambridge Partnership Joint Assembly](#) on 14 June

Issues

- [Members Allowances paid 2017/18](#)

11. **SCDC Starters and Leavers**



Staff who have left/will be leaving

Name: Myles Bebbington
Job title: Head of Environmental Health & Licensing
Date leaving: 17 June 2018

Name: David Harvey
Job title: Mechanical Cleansing Drive
Date leaving: 14 September 2018

Name: Niamh Lenihan
Job title: Urban Designer
Date leaving: 6 July 2018

Name: Kelly Quigley-Hicks
Job title: Communications Officer
Date leaving: 22 June 2018