

**COUNCILLORS' BULLETIN
WEDNESDAY, 12 SEPTEMBER
2018**



South
Cambridgeshire
District Council

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1. Meetings and events from Thursday 13 September to Friday 28 September

Date	Time	Name	Venue	Contact
Thu 13 Sep				
Fri 14 Sep				
Mon 17 Sep	11:59 pm	Deadline for motions and questions from councillors for Council.		
Tue 18 Sep	6pm	Scrutiny & Overview Committee	Swansley Room	Victoria Wallace
Wed 19 Sep				
Thu 20 Sep	2pm	Climate and Environment Advisory Committee	Swansley Room	Patrick Adams
	2pm	Greater Cambridge Partnership Joint Assembly	Council Chamber	Victoria Wallace
Fri 21 Sep				
Mon 24 Sep	9:30 am	Cabinet – Special Meeting	Council Chamber	Ian Senior
Tue 25 Sep	9:30 am	Audit & Corporate Governance Committee	Swansley Room	Patrick Adams
Wed 26 Sep				
Thu 27 Sep	2pm	Council	Council Chamber	Kathrin John
Fri 28 Sep	10am	Grants Advisory Committee	Monkfield Room	Ian Senior

INFORMATION FOR DISTRICT COUNCILLORS AND PARISH COUNCILS

2. Community Right to Bid - Assets of Community Value

The Council has received the following nomination:

In Stapleford - North Down, Magog Down, Stapleford
The Council will make its decision by 30th October 2018

Further information about the Community Right to Bid and Assets of Community Value can be found on our webpage

<https://www.scams.gov.uk/community-right-bid>

3. Community Governance Reviews: Barrington, Milton and Stapleford

Community Governance Reviews are currently taking place in the following parishes to consider changes to the number of parish councillors:

Barrington - closing date 31 October
Milton - closing date 5 November
Stapleford - closing date 12 November

Please visit <http://www.scams.gov.uk/councillor-information/parish-councils/community-governance-reviews/> for further information including terms of reference for the reviews, and to submit comments online. Paper copies of terms of reference and submission forms are also

available from the Council offices in Cambourne - please ask at Reception.

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		
05/09/2018	Cambridge News	More needs to be done to encourage people to get involved in their parish	P4	Cllr Topping and Cllr Bridget Smith quoted
05/09/2018	Cambridge News	Local plan delays have a big impact on area's villages	P4	Cllr Topping, Cllr Bridget Smith and Cllr Van de Weyer quoted
05/09/2018	Association for Public Service Excellence	Underground refuse bins: A beacon of best practice	Link	About Greater Cambridge Shared Waste Service underground bins at Eddington. Rebecca Weymouth Wood quoted.
05/09/2018	Cambridge Network	Council makes multi-million pound bid to unlock 149 new affordable homes	Link	
05/09/2018	BBC Radio Cambridgeshire	Cllr Hazel Smith interviewed about bid for £17 million Gov funding for 149 affordable homes	Scroll to '139" in	
05/09/2018	Cambridge Independent	A blueprint for change	P1	Local Plan: Cllr Aidan Van de Weyer quoted
05/09/2018	Cambridge Independent	Cycle path upgraded as part of GCP scheme	P2	GCP article about cycling path in Sawston
05/09/2018	Cambridge Independent	Transforming homes and jobs in Greater Cambridge	P6 & P7	Local Plan: Stephen Kelly quoted
05/09/2018	Cambridge Independent	Biomedical campus success story to continue with expansion	P8	Local Plan: Cllr Aidan Van de Weyer and Caroline Hunt quoted
05/09/2018	Cambridge Independent	25,000 homes on their way to South Cambridgeshire	P9	Local Plan: Cllr Aidan Van de Weyer and Cllr Peter Topping quoted
05/09/2018	Cambridge Independent	Mayor insists CA has bright future	P18	CA article
05/09/2018	Cambridge Independent	Editorial: Local Plans are an ordeal worth persevering with	P28	
05/09/2018	Cambridge Independent	Column: Raising the eco bar at new housing developments	P28 & P29	Column from Cllr Bridget Smith
05/09/2018	Royston Crow online	Government bid to unlock 149 new affordable homes in South Cambs	Link	
05/09/2018	Royston Crow online	Calls to 'sex up' Cambridgeshire parish council roles	Link	Cllr Topping and Cllr Bridget Smith quoted
06/09/2018	Cambridge Independent online	Consultation on 8,000 to 9,000 home new town for Waterbeach to begin	Link	
06/09/2018	That's	Cllr Aidan Van de Weyer interviewed	Link	

	Cambridge TV	about Local Plans being found sound		
06/09/2018	Wisbech Standard Online	Public to have say on new town plans for Waterbeach which will be home to 25,000 people	Link	
06/09/2018	Inside Housing online	South Cambridgeshire Council is planning to bid for the new HRA borrowing flexibility	Link	
07/09/2018	Cambridge News	Public views sought on Waterbeach plan	P18	
07/09/2018	Cambridge Network	Community Chest to focus on boosting grass-roots projects	Link	
09/09/2018	Cambridge Independent online	200,000 sq ft building on Cambridge Science Park granted permission	Link	SCDC mentioned in planning approval process
10/09/2018	BBC Radio Cambridgeshire	CLlr Peter Topping interviewed about calls for more people to get involved with Parish Councils	Scroll to 15m in	
11/09/2018	Royston Crow online	Backlash from villagers over Heydon new town proposal	Link	Info only. SCDC not mentioned.

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 6 September: *Mail*: [“Freeze business rates to save High Street”](#)

Business rates should be reformed if the High Street is to survive, according to the Federation of Small Businesses.

Friday 7 September: *BBC Online*: [Councils under the most financial strain](#)

BBC Online looks at some of the councils under the most financial strain and says that nationally the overall financial picture for local government is “stark”.

Sunday 9 September: *Sunday Telegraph*: [Government urged to open green belt to housing](#)

Theresa May is being urged to build on green belt land and lift restriction on “buffer zones” to tackle the housing crisis.

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 5 SEPTEMBER 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'](#).

7. **Waterbeach New Town Supplementary Planning Document for Public Consultation**

Cabinet

- (a) Approved the draft Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) for Regulation 13 public consultation in accordance with the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012 for a period of six weeks;
- (b) Approved the consultation arrangements set out in the Consultation Statement (Appendix 2);
- (c) delegated authority to the Joint Director of Planning and Economic Development in consultation with the Deputy Leader, to make editorial changes to the draft Waterbeach New Town SPD and supporting documents prior to the commencement of the consultation period (to comprise minor amendments and factual updates and clarifications); and
- (d) agreed amendments to the Infrastructure Delivery Plan entry on page 125 and 126 of the draft SPD in respect of the foul water network as set out in Appendix 2.

This decision was first published on Tuesday 11 September and so the deadline for Call-in is Tuesday 18 September.

<p>8. Community Chest Criteria</p> <p>Cabinet agreed the proposed changes to the Community Chest guidance notes, which include the criteria, as set out at Appendix A, and as recommended by the Grants Advisory Committee, subject to, under the heading ‘When can groups apply?’ deletion of the final sentence namely “Grants are allocated on a first-come, first-served basis.”</p> <p><i>This decision was first published on Tuesday 11 September and so the deadline for call-in is Tuesday 18 September.</i></p>
<p>9. 3 Year Service Support Grants Criteria</p> <p>Cabinet</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. approved a further three year programme of Service Support Grants (subject to annual funding agreements) to run from 1 April 2019 to 31 March 2022; 2. approved continuation of current themes and allocations for the Service Support Grant fund; and 3. accepted the proposed schedule for operation of the scheme. <p><i>This decision was first published on Tuesday 11 September and so the deadline for call-in is Tuesday 18 September.</i></p>
<p>10. Localised Council Tax Support Scheme</p> <p>Cabinet agreed to submit both Option 2 and Option 2 to public consultation, as set out in the report from the Executive Director at paragraphs 23 and 24 and consider responses at the meeting in December.</p> <p><i>This decision was first published on Tuesday 11 September and so the deadline for call-in is Tuesday 18 September.</i></p>
<p>11. Additional Housing Revenue Account Borrowing Programme Bid</p> <p>Cabinet gave approval in line with paragraph 3 of the report from the Executive Director.</p> <p><i>This decision is manifestly urgent and the consent of the Chairman of the Council and the Chairman of the Scrutiny and Overview Committee to an exemption from call in on the grounds of urgency has been sought.</i></p>
<p>12. Ice Rink Funding Agreement Update</p> <p>Cabinet recommended to Full Council as set out in paragraph 3(a) of the report from the Executive Director. Please note that this is not subject to call-in.</p> <p>Cabinet considered the report in the context of paragraph 3(b) of the report, and instructed the Head of Finance in line with paragraph 3(c).</p>
<p>13. Waiver of local land charge where a Disabled Facility Grant has been provided</p> <p>The Lead Cabinet Member agreed the following:</p> <p>Applicant 1 – To approve the request to waive the local land charge of £5,039.27, as specified in the Confidential report at Appendix A.</p> <p>Applicant 2 – To approve the request to waive the local land charge of £9,328.16, as specified</p>

in the Confidential report at Appendix A.

Applicant 3 – To refuse the request to waive the local land charge of £10,000, as specified in the Confidential report at Appendix A.

Applicant 4 – To approve the request to waive the local land charge of £10,000, as specified in the Confidential report at Appendix A.

This decision was first published on Friday 7 September and so the deadline for call-in is Friday 14 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

14. Newly-Published Items on modern.gov



Agendas

- [Scrutiny & Overview Committee 18 September](#)
- [Greater Cambridge Partnership Joint Assembly 20 September](#)

Decisions

- [Waiver of Local Land Charges for Disabled Facility Grants Cabinet 5 September](#)

Minutes

- [Scrutiny & Overview Committee 14 August](#)
- [Civic Affairs Committee 4 September](#)

15. SCDC Starters and Leavers



New Employees at the Council

Name: Samantha Hodgson
Job title: HR Apprentice
Date started: 3 September 2018

Name: Alice Young
Job title: Planning Officer
Date started: 13 August 2018

Staff who have moved jobs

Name: Charlotte Burton
Old job title: Senior Planner (City)
New job title: Principal Planner
Date moved: 10 September 2018

Name: Jo Dixon
Old job title: Revenues & Benefits Support Officer
New job title: Intelligence Officer



Date moving: 17 September 2018