

**COUNCILLORS' BULLETIN
WEDNESDAY, 7 NOVEMBER
2018**



South
Cambridgeshire
District Council

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

Date	Time	Name	Venue	Contact
Thu 8 Nov				
Fri 9 Nov				
Mon 12 Nov				
Tue 13 Nov				
Wed 14 Nov	10:30am	Planning Committee	Council Chamber	Ian Senior
Thu 15 Nov	2pm	Greater Cambridge Partnership Joint Assembly	Council Chamber	Democratic Services
Fri 16 Nov				
Mon 19 Nov				
Tue 20 Nov	9:30am	Audit & Corporate Governance Committee – POSTPONED (to 20 December)		
Wed 21 Nov				
Thu 22 Nov	6pm	Scrutiny and Overview Committee	Swansley Room	Victoria Wallace
Fri 23 Nov				

INFORMATION FOR DISTRICT COUNCILLORS AND PARISH COUNCILS

2. Great Abington Former LSA Estate Neighbourhood Plan

Please find attached a note on the referendum on Great Abington's Neighbourhood Plan, which will take place on Thursday 13 December.

3. Rough Sleeping Estimate - Overnight Between 22-23 November 2018

Dear Councillors

You may recall a similar request for your help in previous years, in order to provide an estimate of the number of people sleeping rough in the district. Last year our estimate was 4. The Council will again be trying to achieve a snap shot of the number of people sleeping rough in the district on the evening, **overnight between 22nd/ 23rd November 2018**. I would be very grateful if you could notify me if you are aware of anyone sleeping rough in your community on this evening.

The Government 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").

The 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.

Our estimate must only include those rough sleeping on that single night. Our typical night has been chosen taking into account local factors, a weekday and it is the same night as some of

our neighbouring authorities are estimating or counting their figures.
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).

Please send any notifications of rough sleepers to me at:

Susan.carter@scamb.gov.uk

4. Newsletter A14 Cambridge to Huntingdon Improvement Scheme November to December 2018

Please find attached the latest Newsletter on the A14 Cambridge to Huntingdon Improvement.

5. A14 Road Closures

Please find attached a list of this week's A14 related road closures.

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](mailto:Patrick.Adams@scamb.gov.uk) 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.

6. Risk Management Training: Tuesday 13 November

Please note that there are two identical Risk Management training events next week:

- Tuesday 13 November: 3pm to 5pm
- Tuesday 13 November: 6:30pm to 8:30pm

These interactive workshops have been arranged for councillors, but are also open to officers. They will cover the internal and external risk landscape and are likely to include:

- An overview of strategic risk management and why it is important
- An introduction and overview of the Council's approach to risk management
- Discussion of the key risks which may affect the ability of the Council to deliver against key priorities and objectives
- Review of the roles and responsibilities of Members regarding risk management

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		
31/10/2018	Cambridge Independent	Housing hopes	P4	Reaction to autumn budget
31/10/2018	Cambridge Independent	19th-century idea 'could ease county housing crisis'	P7	Cllr Bridget Smith quoted
31/10/2018	Cambridge Independent	Countryside route backing for city's new transport link	P9	Combined Authority article. Cllr Ian Sollom and Cllr Philip Allen quoted
31/10/2018	Cambridge Independent	Hotel donates spare bedding to council's good causes	P9	
31/10/2018	Cambridge Independent	CA chief resigned and collected £94k	P19	
31/10/2018	Cambridge Independent	Green light for first phase of £45 million education campus	P25	Cllr Tumi Hawkins quoted
31/10/2018	Cambridge News	New 'model communities' to help solve city housing crisis	P7	Cllr Bridget Smith quoted
31/10/2018	Cambridge News	Extraordinary letter leads to hopes of more open combined authority	P11	Combined Authority article.
31/10/2018	Cambridge News online	New 'model communities' funded by private companies could fix Cambridgeshire housing crisis	Link	Cllr Bridget Smith quoted
01/11/2018	Cambridge News	We must deliver a solution'	P7	Combined Authority article: Cllr Bridget Smith quoted
01/11/2018	Hunts Post Online	Petition to stop coffee chain plan launched by developers	Link	
03/11/2018	Cambridge News online	Waterbeach train station is officially being moved - and it's the beginning of the end for village spirit	Link	Opinion piece
03/11/2018	Cambridge News online	70-year-old 'hasn't slept in weeks' due to next-door floodlights	Link	
04/11/2018	Sunday Politics East	Cllr Bridget Smith interviewed as part of the panel - topics included housing, Brexit, Fishing industry and social mobility	Link	
05/11/2018	Cambridge News	Green light for plans to shunt station along line	P11	
06/11/2018	Cambridge News	I haven't slept for weeks because this light is keeping me awake at night'	P11	
06/11/2018	BBC Look East	Report: Bin crew safety campaign on lunchtime, evening and late bulletins	N/A	
07/11/2018	BBC Radio Cambridgeshire	Report and Cllr Neil Gough interviewed: Bin crew safety campaign	Scroll to 10m in	
07/11/2018	Cambridge Independent	Expanding Park & Ride options	P5	GCP article
07/11/2018	Cambridge Independent	Railway station move is approved	P7	Approval for Waterbeach Railway Station move
07/11/2018	Cambridge Independent	Don't argue to death over metro'	P7	CA and GCP article - Cllr Bridget Smith quoted
07/11/2018	Cambridge Independent	Column: Together we can make a real difference to our environment	P33	Cllr Bridget Smith's column

8. Items of Interest from the Local Government Association (LGA)



Items of Interest from the Local Government Association (LGA)

The Local Government Association provides a list of news headlines relevant to its members. Please click the headlines below for more details.

Thursday 1 November: *Guardian*: [Universal Credit](#)

Sir Ian Diamond, the Chair of the Social Security Advisory Committee, said plans to move 3 million people to Universal Credit from next year loaded an “unreasonable level of risk” on claimants.

Monday 5 November: *BBC Radio 5 Live Investigates*: [Business rates avoidance](#)

LGA Deputy Chairman Cllr David Simmonds appeared on BBC Radio 5 Live Investigates yesterday to discuss business rates avoidance and the issue of “phoenixing”, where businesses go bust only to re-emerge under a different name with no debts.

Tuesday 6 November: *Express Online*: [Littering out of your car could now land you up to £450 fine](#)

A story highlights the case of a motorist taken to court and told to pay £450 in fines and costs after ignoring an £80 fine issued by a council for littering from his vehicle.

Tuesday 6 November: *BBC Online*: [Universal credit: Claimants “to get more time to switch”](#)

Work and Pensions Secretary Esther McVey has said Universal Credit claimants will not have to wait as long for their money and debt repayments will be reduced.

Wednesday 7 November: *LBC Online*: [Housing Minister warns councils to meet targets](#)

The Housing Minister has said developers and councils must meet certain housing delivery targets, or local authorities risk having planning powers taken “out of their hands”.

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.scams.gov.uk/content/access-information>

OTHER INFORMATION

10. Newly-Published Items on modern.gov



Agendas

- [Planning Committee 14 November](#)
- [Greater Cambridge Partnership Joint Assembly 15 November](#)

Minutes

- [Planning Committee 10 October](#)

Plans

- [Forward Plan of Key Decisions](#)

Issues

- [Business Plan](#)
- [Review of the Medium Term Financial Strategy](#)
- [Waterbeach Supplementary Planning Documents Adoption](#)
- [Northern Fringe Area Action Plan Issues and Options](#)
- [Council Tax Empty Homes Premium](#)
- [Elite Athletes Grant Scheme](#)
- [Budget Report](#)

11. SCDC Starters and Leavers



Staff who have left

Name: Michael Burgess
Job title: Mechanical Cleansing Driver
Date left: 30 October 2018

Name: Caroline Fuller
Job title: Resource Officer
Date left: 19 October 2018