

**COUNCILLORS' BULLETIN  
WEDNESDAY, 28 NOVEMBER  
2018**



South  
Cambridgeshire  
District Council

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**1. Meetings and events from Thursday 29 November to Friday 14 December**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Venue</b>	<b>Contact</b>
<b>Thu 29 Nov</b>	9:30am	<a href="#">Scrutiny and Overview Committee</a>	Monkfield Room	<a href="#">Victoria Wallace</a>
	2pm	<a href="#">Council</a>	Council Chamber	<a href="#">Kathrin John</a>
<b>Fri 30 Nov</b>	9:30am	Planning Committee (Waterbeach) – <b>CANCELLED</b>		
<b>Mon 3 Dec</b>				
<b>Tue 4 Dec</b>	10am	<a href="#">Civic Affairs Committee</a>	Swansley Room	<a href="#">Patrick Adams</a>
<b>Wed 5 Dec</b>	9:30am	<a href="#">Cabinet</a>	Council Chamber	<a href="#">Ian Senior</a>
<b>Thu 6 Dec</b>	4pm	<a href="#">Greater Cambridge Partnership Executive Board</a>	Council Chamber	<a href="#">Democratic Services</a>
<b>Fri 7 Dec</b>	10am	<a href="#">Employment Committee</a>	Jeavons Room	<a href="#">Patrick Adams</a>
<b>Mon 10 Dec</b>	10:30am	<a href="#">Licensing Committee</a>	Monkfield Room	<a href="#">Victoria Wallace</a>
<b>Tue 11 Dec</b>				
<b>Wed 12 Dec</b>	10:30am	<a href="#">Planning Committee</a>	Council Chamber	<a href="#">Ian Senior</a>
<b>Thu 13 Dec</b>	10am	<a href="#">Grants Advisory Committee</a>	Monkfield Room	<a href="#">Ian Senior</a>
<b>Fri 14 Dec</b>				

**INFORMATION FOR DISTRICT COUNCILLORS AND PARISH COUNCILS**

**2. A14: Planned Road Closures week commencing 26 November**

Please find attached road closures information for w/c 26 November, in relation to the A14 Cambridge to Huntingdon improvement scheme.

To contact your A14 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

**John Birchall** - [John.Birchall@theA14.com](mailto:John.Birchall@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. Further updates as the scheme progresses can be found on the [website](#)

## GENERAL INFORMATION

### 3. 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		
21/11/2018	Cambridge Independent	Public will be asked for congestion charge view	P1, 8 & 9	GCP article
21/11/2018	Cambridge Independent	Histon Road plan 'overlooks cyclists'	P5	GCP article - Cllr Eileen Wilson quoted
21/11/2018	Cambridge Independent	Plea for rethink on preferred route of Cambourne-Cambridge busway	P9	GCP article - Cllr Ian Sollom quoted
21/11/2018	Cambridge Independent	Homes plan on hold amid safety fears	P25	
22/11/2018	Peterborough Telegraph online	Fears spending at Peterborough's mayoral authority 'spiralling out of control' (Cllr Bridget Smith quoted)	<a href="#">Link</a>	
23/11/2018	Cambridge News	Fear that Combined Authority spending is 'spiralling out of control' (Cllr Bridget Smith quoted)	P6	
24/11/2018	Cambridge News online	The number of Traveller caravans in South Cambs has gone up by half	<a href="#">Link</a>	
25/11/2018	Ely Standard online	East Cambs District Council want to borrow £24m from CA to buy and modernise 88 homes in Ely owned by RAF and once used to house USAF families	<a href="#">Link</a>	CA article - Cllr Bridget Smith mentioned
26/11/2018	Cambridge News	50% increase in Traveller caravans	P2	
26/11/2018	Wisbech Standard Online	Stark warning by its own finance chief that major projects planned by CA could run out of money	<a href="#">Link</a>	CA article - Cllr Peter Topping quoted
26/11/2018	Cambridge News online	Cambridge to Cambourne busway now has support from mayor once "dead against" the plan	<a href="#">Link</a>	Cllr Philip Allen quoted
27/11/2018	Cambridge News	CA budget 'never realistic'	P7	CA article
27/11/2018	Cambridge News	Busway opposition 'wrong'	P11	Cllr Philip Allen quoted
27/11/2018	Cambridge Independent online	Mayor's u-turn on Coton busway route	<a href="#">Link</a>	Cllr Phillip Allen quoted
27/11/2018	Royston Crow online	Bid for drive-thru restaurants at A505 derelict pub site	<a href="#">Link</a>	
27/11/2018	BBC News Online	Cambridgeshire Mayor's blunder over authority finances	<a href="#">Link</a>	CA article - Cllr Bridget Smith quoted
27/11/2018	Cambridge	The six-figure Combined Authority	<a href="#">Link</a>	CA article

**4. 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 22 November: *Independent*: [Homelessness](#)

According to the charity Shelter, the number of homeless people in Britain has risen to 320,000, half of them in London.

Friday 23 November: *BBC Online*: [Labour plea over Northampton funding](#)

The Labour group have claimed that funding gaps in Northamptonshire County Council's budget will need government help to clear.

Saturday 24 November: *i Online*: [Recycling system is out of date](#)

The head of the Environment Agency, Emma Howard-Boyd, has said the nation's current recycling system is too complicated and inconsistent.

Sunday 25 November: *Telegraph*: [Driverless cars](#)

Driverless cars are to be tested on the streets of London this week as part of a plan to deploy the UK's first autonomous fleet on British roads.

Tuesday 27 November: *Guardian*: [More than one in four UK pubs forced to close](#)

More than a quarter of Britain's pubs have closed their doors since 2001, official figures show.

Tuesday 27 November: *Guardian*: [Property downturn could reduce number of affordable homes built by 25%](#)

Property firm Savills has warned that a major downturn in the housing market could reduce the number of affordable homes built by a quarter.

**5. 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 21 NOVEMBER 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'](#).

#### 6. Pay Award 2018/19

The Lead Cabinet Member for Finance has agreed to:

- A) Apply a 1% increase on all pay points with effect from 1st April 2018 or the Living Wage rate (effective at 1 April 2018) of £8.75 per hour, whichever is the highest, with effect from 1st April 2018
- B) Equalise annual leave and reintroduce the reimbursement of professional fees.

*Please note that this decision was first published on Tuesday 27 November and so the deadline for call-in is 5pm on Tuesday 4 December.*

#### 7. Leasehold Equity Sharing Scheme for the Elderly - Sale to South Cambs Ltd (Trading as Ermine Street Housing)

The Lead Cabinet Member for Housing has agreed to sell a Leasehold Equity Share Scheme for the Elderly bungalow at 12 Plantation Road, Sawston to South Cambs Ltd (Trading as Ermine Street Housing).

*This decision was first published on Tuesday 27 November and so the deadline for call-in is Tuesday 4 December at 5pm.*

#### 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

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



#### Agendas

- [Civic Affairs Committee 4 December](#)
- [Greater Cambridge Partnership Executive Board 6 December](#)
- [Cabinet 5 December](#)

#### Decisions

- [Pay Award 2018/19](#)
- [Sale of Equity Share Property to South Cambs Ltd](#)

#### Minutes

- [Cabinet 7 November](#)
- [Employment & Staffing Committee 7 November](#)

### 9. SCDC Starters and Leavers



#### New Employees at the Council

Name: Stephen Thompson  
Job title: Refuse Loader  
Date started: 5 November 2018