

**COUNCILLORS' BULLETIN  
WEDNESDAY, 19 DECEMBER  
2018**



South  
Cambridgeshire  
District Council

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**1. Meetings and events from Thursday 20 December to Friday 4 January 2019**

Date	Time	Name	Venue	Contact
Thu 20 Dec	9:30am	Audit & Corporate Governance Committee - POSTPONED		
Fri 21 Dec				
Mon 24 Dec				
Tue 25 Dec		Christmas Day – Office Closed		
Wed 26 Dec		Boxing Day – Office Closed		
Thu 27 Dec				
Fri 28 Dec				
Mon 31 Dec				
Tue 1 Jan		New Year's Day – Office Closed		
Wed 2 Jan				
Thu 3 Jan				
Fri 4 Jan				

**INFORMATION FOR DISTRICT COUNCILLORS AND PARISH COUNCILS**

**2. Greater Cambridge Housing Strategy**

We are pleased to launch the consultation of the Greater Cambridge Housing Strategy which has been developed in collaboration with Cambridge City Council. The proposed Strategy details how the two authorities will meet the housing challenges over the next five years and will help to guide the future planning of new homes, as well as ensuring existing homes are fit for purpose.

Details of the strategy and consultation can be found at <https://www.scambs.gov.uk/housing/housing-strategy-consultation/>. Some of you may have already fed into the draft Strategy as part of the Members' workshop but please do complete the online survey if you have further comments, or if you prefer email direct with specific comments at [gchs@scambs.gov.uk](mailto:gchs@scambs.gov.uk)

The closing date of the consultation is: **Friday, 25th January 2019**. Once all feedback has been considered, the Strategy will then need to be formally approved through both councils' formal decision making processes in March/April 2019 before it can be adopted.

**3. Planned Road Closures for this week: A14 Cambridge to Huntingdon Improvement Scheme**

Please find attached road closures information for week commencing 17 December, 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

### 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		
12/12/2018	Cambridge News	How can we beat city congestion	P11	GCP article
12/12/2018	Cambridge News	Anger as new junction causes big tailbacks	P14	Cllr Bunty Waters quoted
12/12/2018	BBC Radio Cambridgeshire	Cllr Bunty Waters interviewed about congestion issues in Bar Hill following A14 junction change by Highways England as part of road upgrade	<a href="#">Scroll to '1'20" in</a>	
12/12/2018	Cambridge Independent	Genome campus expansion could create 4,300 jobs	P5	
12/12/2018	Cambridge Independent	£6m Histon Road revamp approved after revisions	P11	GCP article
12/12/2018	Cambridge Independent	Cambridge and Cambourne busway moves forward	P11	GCP article: Cllr Gavin Clayton mentioned
12/12/2018	Cambridge Independent	Low-carbon living scheme for major brownfield site	P13	Cambridge Northern Fringe Area Action Plan
12/12/2018	Cambridge Independent	Council's self-build plot	P20	
12/12/2018	Cambridge News online	Cambridge and South Cambs Christmas bin collection dates 2018	<a href="#">Link</a>	
12/12/2018	Business Weekly online	4,300 new jobs and 1,500 homes proposed for Wellcome Trust Genome Campus	<a href="#">Link</a>	
12/12/2018	Cambridge Independent Online	Final £6m Histon Road plans given green light		GCP article
13/12/2018	Cambridge News	Review will put spotlight on Combined Authority spending	P7	CA article
13/12/2018	Cambridge	End year on a recycling high, urges	P13	

	News	Councillor		
13/12/2018	Cambridge Network	Barrington chimney blow-down makes way for new homes	<a href="#">Link</a>	
13/12/2018	Cambridge Independent Online	Residents treated to how Cambridge metro and transport system could look in future	<a href="#">Link</a>	GCP article
13/12/2018	BBC News Online	Cambridge vision includes self-driving buses and metro	<a href="#">Link</a>	GCP article
13/12/2018	Cambridge News online	Rats come out of ditch at end of family's garden and mum says council won't help	<a href="#">Link</a>	
14/12/2018	Cambridge News	Revealed: vision of the future of transport around the city	P1 & P4 & P5	GCP article
16/12/2018	Cambridge Independent online	Cambridgeshire council aiming for right-to-build scheme	<a href="#">Link</a>	
18/12/2018	Cambridge Independent online	A new low-carbon community could be developed on a major brownfield site	<a href="#">Link</a>	

## 5. 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.

Saturday 15 December: *Mail*: [Food waste collections to be collected separately](#)  
Food waste is due to be collected separately by councils under the Government's Waste Strategy due to be announced next week.

Wednesday 19 December: *Guardian*: [Put Universal Credit on hold to project disabled claimants, say MPs](#)

The House of Commons Work and Pensions Select Committee has called on the Government to put the next phase of Universal Credit on hold until ministers can show that disabled claimants will be properly protected when moving on to the new system.

## 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 12 DECEMBER 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. Community Chest Grants - December 2018

Following consideration of the applications by the Grants Advisory Committee, the Finance Portfolio Holder **AGREED** the following:

	Applicant	Village(s) affected	Description	Total applied for (£)	Total recomm - ended (£)	Additional conditions/ comments
1	The Countryside Restoration Trust	Barton and Comberton	Purchase of pitchforks, hay rakes and scythes to manage hay meadows	1,000.00	1,000.00	Invite schools to take part in education days to learn traditional methods
2	Disability Cambridgeshire	Multiple	Upgrade IT	1,020.00	1,000.00	

3	Linton Action for Youth	Linton	Roof repairs	460.00	460.00	
4	Northstowe Sports and Wellbeing Group	Northstowe, Willingham Longstanton	Community development – fitness and wellbeing	988.00	528.00	Equipment only
5	Bethel Baptist Church	Swavesey	Replace disabled access ramp to church hall	1,000.00	Deferred	More info needed
6	Friends of Duxford School	Duxford	Equipment for airday events held for fundraising purposes	622.91	Nil	No benefit to the wider community
7	Save Linton Heights Swimming Pool Fund-raising Committee	Linton	Repair of Linton Heights' decommissioned swimming pool	1,000.00	Deferred	More info needed

#### 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>

#### 8. Setting of the Council Tax Base 2019-20

The Chief Financial Officer set the tax base for South Cambridgeshire District Council at 62,576.3 band D equivalents for 2019/20, and the tax base for each parish be set as shown in the Appendix to the attached report.

## OTHER INFORMATION

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



#### Decisions

- [Setting of the Council Tax Base 2019-20](#)
- [Community Chest Grants – December 2018](#)
- [Planning Committee 12 December](#)

### 10. SDCDC Starters and Leavers



#### New Employees at the Council

Name: Kenny Plummer  
Job title: Refuse Driver  
Date started: 10 December 2018



#### Staff who have left/will be leaving

Name: Caroline Dennington  
Job title: PSL Administrator  
Date leaving: 6 January 2019

Name: Alexandra Ellwood  
Job title: Project Services  
Date leaving: 13 January 2019

Name: Anita Goddard  
Job title: Head of Service: Housing and Repairs  
Date leaving: 12 January 2019

Name: Katie Parry  
Job title: Principal Planning Officer  
Date leaving: 12 January 2019

Name: Chelsea Wade  
Job title: Housing Advice Assistant  
Date leaving: 2 January 2019