COUNCILLORS' BULLETIN WEDNESDAY, 12 DECEMBER 2018



South
Cambridgeshire
District Council

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1. Meetings and events from Thursday 14 December to Friday 28 December

| Date | Time | Name | Venue | Contact |
|------------|--------|---|----------------|-------------------|
| Thu 13 Dec | 10am | Grants Advisory Committee | Monkfield Room | <u>Ian Senior</u> |
| Fri 14 Dec | | | | |
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| Mon 17 Dec | 10am | Planning Committee – Waterbeach – POSTPONED | | |
| Tue 18 Dec | 6pm | Scrutiny and Overview Committee | Swansley Room | Victoria Wallace |
| Wed 19 Dec | | | | |
| Thu 20 Dec | 9:30am | Audit & Corporate Governance Committee - POSTPONED | | |
| Fri 21 Dec | | | | |
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| Mon 24 Dec | | | | |
| Tue 25 Dec | | Christmas Day – Office Closed | | |
| Wed 26 Dec | | Boxing Day – Office Closed | | |
| Thu 27 Dec | | | | |
| Fri 28 Dec | | | | |

INFORMATION FOR DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

2. Community Right to Bid - Assets of Community Value - Tree Pub, Stapleford

In Stapleford - The Tree Public House, 9 Bar Lane, Stapleford The Council has approved the re-listing of The Tree Public House as an Asset of Community Value until 06 December 2023.

The Council will update the asset register accordingly.

Further information about the Community Right to Bid and Assets of Community Value can be found on our webpage: www.scambs.gov.uk/ACV

3. Community Right to Bid - Asset of Community Value - Rupert Brooke Pub in Grantchester

In Grantchester - Rupert Brooke Public House & Restaurant
The Council has approved the listing of The Rupert Brooke Public House & Restaurant as an
Asset of Community Value until 06 December 2023

The Council will update the asset register accordingly.

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4. A14 Cambridge to Huntingdon Improvement Scheme - Planned Road Closures this week

With apologies, three closures were missed off the attached report in error. These are listed below:

Wednesday 12th to Friday 14th (three nights)

- Buckingway Road
- A14 eastbound Swavesey junction 28 exit and entry slips

Friday 14th (one night)

• A14 eastbound Bar Hill junction 29 exit and entry slips

5. A14 Monthly Parish Newsletter December 2018 to January 2019

The attached newsletter provides you with updates for this month and next, 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

<u>Section 3:</u> East Coast Main Line to Swavesey **John Birchall** - John.Birchall@theA14.com

Section 4 & 5: Swavesey to Milton

Bob Pettipher - 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 their <u>website</u>.

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.

6. Member Briefing - Achieving Quality Design 12:30pm Mon 17 Dec

Date: Monday 17 December Time: 12:30pm to 2pm Venue: Council Chamber

Briefing: A Planning briefing on achieving quality design.

Please contact Jane Green, Built and Natural Environment Manager on jane.green@scambs.gov.uk for more details.

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 | | |
|------------|-----------------------------|--|------------------------------|--|
| 05/12/2018 | Cambridge Independent | Calls for a review as chief finance officer is sacked | P9 | CA article: Cllr Bridget Smith quoted |
| 05/12/2018 | Cambridge Independent | Villages left behind as city grows' | P9 | GCP article |
| 05/12/2018 | Cambridge Independent | Cash for groups helping the aged | P19 | |
| 05/12/2018 | Cambridge Independent | £500,000 loan will help complete city's ice rink | P20 | |
| 05/12/2018 | Cambridge Independent | Cllr Bridget Smith column: 'We will listen when we ask for your views' | P29 | |
| 06/12/2018 | Cambridge News | Protests warning over busway plan | P16 & P17 | GCP article |
| 06/12/2018 | Resource | Joint Cambridgeshire local plan to target zero carbon emissions by 2050 | <u>Link</u> | Behind a paywall - unable to read full article |
| 07/12/2018 | BBC Radio Cambridgeshire | Cllr Sarah Cheung Johnson interviewed about community aspects of Northstowe | Scrol 1 to 40" in | |
| 09/12/2018 | BBC Sunday Politics East | Cllr Pippa Heylings interviewed about zero carbon target | Link | |
| 10/12/2018 | Cambridge News online | It's a shambles' - People tell of A14 traffic nightmare at Tesco Bar Hill | Link | Cllr Bunty Waters quoted |
| 11/12/2018 | Cambridge News | Road's £6m remodelling is approved | P9 | GCP article |
| 11/12/2018 | Cambridge Network Online | Could regeneration deliver a low carbon community on the edge of Cambridge? | <u>Link</u> | |
| 11/12/2018 | Cambridge Network Online | New jobs and homes proposed at expanded Wellcome Genome Campus | <u>Link</u> | |
| 11/12/2018 | Cambridge News online | This is what Highways England had to say about angry A14 drivers stuck at Tesco Bar Hill | Link | Cllr Bunty Waters quoted |
| 11/12/2018 | BBC Radio Cambridgeshire | PM bulletins: Cambridge Northern Fringe area action plan | N/A | |
| 11/12/2018 | BBC Radio | Cllr Aidan Van de Weyer interviewed on drive about Cambridge Northern Fringe | Scrol 1 to 1'20" in | |
| 12/12/2018 | Cambridge News | How can we beat city congestion | P11 | GCP article |

| 12/12/2018 | Cambridge | Anger as new junction causes big | P14 | Cllr Bunty Waters quoted |
|------------|----------------|---|-------------|--------------------------|
| | News | tailbacks | | |
| 12/12/2018 | BBC Radio | Cllr Bunty Waters interviewed about | Scrol | |
| | Cambridgeshire | congestion issues in Bar Hill following | <u>1 to</u> | |
| | | A14 junction change by Highways | 1'20" | |
| | | England as part of road upgrade | <u>in</u> | |

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.

Association

Thursday 6 December: *BBC Online*: <u>Councils' funding announcement delayed</u>
The Government has postponed announcing the provisional Local Government Finance
Settlement because of the Brexit debate going on in the Commons.

Saturday 8 December: Mail: Food Safety

A review by the Food Standards Agency found councils are carrying out fewer than half of the checks on food businesses that are needed.

Wednesday 12 December: *Telegraph:* Recycling levels have almost stalled Levels of household rubbish being recycled in England have virtually stalled, making the UK unlikely to meet targets on recycling by 2020, figures from Defra show.

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 <u>Planning Application Search</u>. Once the page has loaded, you can use the <u>Search option</u> 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 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 <u>Part 4 of the Council's Constitution</u>, 'Scrutiny and Overview Committee Procedure Rules'.

10. 2018-19 Quarter 2 Position Statement: Performance, Finance and Risk

Cabinet reviewed the provisional forecast outturn position, together with the performance indicator results, set out in the report and appendices, and identified the following actions:

- Risk Register to be updated
- The underspend in the Planning Service to be addressed so as to prevent staffing levels becoming a risk to the Council
- Explore the possibility of 'upskilling' Technical Support Officers to deal with straightforward planning applications
- Focus on training and retaining staff

This decision was first published on Tuesday 11 December and so the deadline for call-in is 5pm on Tuesday 18 December.

11. Greater Cambridge Housing Strategy

Cabinet agreed to submit the Greater Cambridge Housing Strategy to public consultation.

This decision was first published on Tuesday 11 December and so the deadline for call-in is 5pm on Tuesday 18 December.

DECISIONS 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

12. Variation of Scheme of Executive Delegation

Please find attached three amendments to the Constitution, agreed by the Leader, to delegate authority to the Director of Housing. These are reported for information.

OTHER INFORMATION

13. Newly-Published Items on modern.gov



Agendas

- Grants Advisory Committee 13 December
- Scrutiny & Overview Committee 18
 December

Decisions

- Greater Cambridge Partnership Executive Board 6 December
- Cabinet 5 December

Minutes

- Grants Advisory Committee 27 November
- Greater Cambridge Partnership Joint Assembly 15 November

14. SCDC Starters and Leavers



New Employees at the Council

Name: Paul Cassidy Job Title: Refuse Loader

Date started: 10 December 2018

Name: Beverley Childs

Job Title: Executive Support Assistant Date started: 3 December 2018

Name: Allan Drew Job Title: Refuse Loader

Date started: 26 November 2018

Name: Sherain Messenger

Job Title: Financial Systems Accountant

Date started: 3 December 2018

Name: Amanda Smith

Job Title: Benefits Customer Resource Officer (Previously called Customer Services Assistant)

Date started: 3 December 2018



Staff who have left/will be leaving

Name: Anelise Bull

Job Title: Commercial Waste Business Support

Officer

Date left: 6 December 2018

Name: Alex Colyer

Job Title: Executive Director – Corporate Services

Date leaving: 31 December 2018