# COUNCILLORS' BULLETIN WEDNESDAY, 24 JULY 2019





South
Cambridgeshire
District Council

## 1. Meetings and events from Thursday 25 July to Friday 9 August

Date	Time	Name	Venue	Contact		
Thu 25 Jul	2pm	Employment and Staffing Committee	Swansley Room	Patrick Adams		
Fri 26 Jul	10am	Grants Advisory Committee	Monkfield Room	Aaron Clarke		
Mon 29 Jul						
Tue 30 Jul	9:30am	Audit and Corporate Governance	Swansley Room	Patrick Adams		
		Committee				
Wed 31 Jul						
Thu 1 Aug						
Fri 2 Aug						
Mon 5 Aug						
Tue 6 Aug						
Wed 7 Aug	9:30am	Cabinet - CANCELLED				
Thu 8 Aug						
Fri 9 Aug						

#### INFORMATION FOR DISTRICT COUNCILLORS AND PARISH COUNCIL

#### 2. Notification of A14 related Road Closures

To contact your A14 sections stakeholder manager, please use the email addresses below or our A14 helpline.

Section 1 & 2: Alconbury to the East Coast Main Line

John Birchall - John.Birchall@theA14.com

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

Section 4 & 5: Swavesey to Milton

John Akester - John.Akester@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 <u>website</u>.

#### **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		
17/07/19	Cambridge Independent	Demolition for 'unusual' drying shed	P11	
18/07/19	Royston Crow online	South Cambs District Council call waiting times revealed	<u>Link</u>	
19/07/19	Cambridge News	Longer wait to speak to council	Page 10	
19/07/19	Cambridge News online	New primary school given the go- ahead for Cambridge village	<u>Link</u>	
23/07/19	Cambridge Independent online	Construction of Cambridge's new cycling bridge to start	<u>Link</u>	GCP article

### 4. 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 18 July, *Telegraph:* Rubbish-tip fees for households to be reviewed

The Government has launched a review after it was report that some councils are charging householders to take their waste to rubbish tips.

Friday 19 July, *Telegraph:* Councils in the countryside have far less to spend on elderly than those in cities

A new study by the Salvation Army has revealed that councils rural areas like Dorset have five times less to spend on care of the elderly than those in cities.

Monday 22 July, *Times:* We must build homes on the green belt, insists Rees-Mogg Developers must be allowed to build on sections of the green belt or a whole generation will be barred from home ownership, Jacob Rees-Mogg has said.

Monday 22 July, *Guardian:* Climate crisis beat terrorism and housing as a priority, poll says Protecting the environment has overtaken affordable housing and the threat to terrorism in the public's policy priorities over the last eight months, according to research.

Monday 22 July, *Guardian:* Britain's first climate assembly agrees plan for council to tackle crisis Actions to tackle the climate crisis have been agreed by Britain's first climate assembly which has come up with 17 proposals, including installing solar panels on all available roofs and cutting fossil fuels out of local government developments.

Tuesday 23 July, *Guardian:* Poor universal credit advice costs claimants, MPs say Benefit

Benefit claimants are being left thousands of pounds worse off because they are not being informed of the consequences if they move prematurely to universal credit, MPs have said.

Wednesday 24 July, *Telegraph:* Councils told to offer recycling service within four years Councils will have to offer households a comprehensive recycling service within four years under the new Environmental Bill, ministers have said.

Wednesday 24 July, *BBC Online:* Government accused of prolonging UK housing crisis
The Government has not sold enough land for affordable and social housing to tackle the housing crisis, MPs have said.

#### 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 <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.

## **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/the-council/access-to-information/access-to-information-summary/

## OTHER INFORMATION

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



## **Agendas**

- Employment & Staffing Committee 25
   July
- Grants Advisory Committee 26 July
- Audit & Corporate Governance Committee 30 July

#### **Decisions**

• Council 18 July

#### **Minutes**

• Grants Advisory Committee 28 June

## 7. SCDC Starters and Leavers



## Staff who have left/will be leaving

Name: Simon Maskell Job title: Planning Officer Date leaving: 31 July 2019