



## Councillors' Bulletin Wednesday, 5 August 2020

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South  
Cambridgeshire  
District Council

#### 1. Meetings and events from Thursday 6 August to Friday 21 August 2020

Date	Time	Name	Venue	Contact
Thu 6 Aug				
Fri 7 Aug				
Mon 10 Aug				
Tue 11 Aug				
Wed 12 Aug	10am	<a href="#">Planning Committee</a>	Virtual – Online Meeting	<a href="#">Ian Senior</a>
Thu 13 Aug	5:20pm	Scrutiny & Overview Committee - CANCELLED		
Fri 14 Aug	11am	<a href="#">Licensing (2003 Act) Sub-Committee</a>	Virtual – Online Meeting	<a href="#">Victoria Wallace</a>
Mon 17 Aug				
Tue 18 Aug	11am	<a href="#">Licensing (2003 Act) Sub-Committee</a>	Virtual – Online Meeting	<a href="#">Victoria Wallace</a>
Wed 19 Aug				
Thu 20 Aug				
Fri 21 Aug				

#### Information for District Councillors and Parish Councils

#### 2. Planned road closures for Week Commencing 3 August - A14 Cambridge to Huntingdon Improvement Scheme

Please find attached road closures information for w/c 3 August, 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.

***For all queries in relation to the main scheme Section 1 & 2: Alconbury to the East Coast Main Line, Section 3: East Coast Main Line to Swavesey & Section 4 & 5: Swavesey to Milton, please email: [A14CambridgeHuntingdon@highwaysengland.co.uk](mailto:A14CambridgeHuntingdon@highwaysengland.co.uk)***

Section 6: Huntingdon town centre  
Samantha Kedia – [samantha.kedia@thea14.com](mailto:samantha.kedia@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](#).

### 3. Home Improvement Agency (HIA) Annual Report

Please find attached the Cambridgeshire Home Improvement Agency Annual Report. In 2019/20 the Agency completed £3.3m worth of adaptations in our client's homes to ensure that disabled adults and children can remain living independently in their own homes.

### General Information

### 4. Media Monitoring



The Council's Communications Team produce a weekly summary of recent news items which is published in the Bulletin to help keep members informed of recent coverage of the Council. Please contact the [Communications Team](#) for further information.

Date	Publication	Details		
29/07/2020	Cambridge News	Funding bid for a new rail station at Sawston	P8	Cllrs Heather Williams and Graham Cone pictured
29/07/2020	Cambridge Independent	New North East Cambridge district to offer low carbon life	P6 & P7	
29/07/2020	Cambridge Independent	One week to enter awards	P42	SME Awards
29/07/2020	Cambridge Independent	Deadline looming for Cambridge Independent SME Cambridgeshire Business Awards 2020	<a href="#">Link</a>	SME Awards
30/07/2020	Cambridge News	Joined-up thinking is the way forward for metro says mayor	P10 & P11	GCP / CA article
30/07/2020	TechRadar	Chinese ambassador warns UK could forfeit Huawei investment and 5G gains	<a href="#">Link</a>	References SCDC planning application decision
30/07/2020	Cambridge Independent online	Firefighters tackle fire involving car port in Cambourne	<a href="#">Link</a>	Cllr Ruth Betson quoted
30/07/2020	Cambridge Independent online	Visit Cambridge and Beyond closed down as tourist numbers plummet amid coronavirus pandemic	<a href="#">Link</a>	
31/07/2020	Cambridge News	Mayor outlines plan to bring GCP into Combined Authority	P10	GCP / CA article
31/07/2020	Cambridge Independent online	New North East Cambridge district of 8,000 homes to offer 'low carbon lifestyles'	<a href="#">Link</a>	
31/07/2020	Cambridge News online	No running water and a baby on the way - Cambridge Traveller family tells what it's like facing eviction during lockdown	<a href="#">Link</a>	References no Traveller evictions by SCDC during lockdown
01/08/2020	Cambridge Independent online	Devastating fire hits Duxford C of E Community Primary School	<a href="#">Link</a>	Cllr Peter McDonald quoted from scene of fire
01/08/2020	Royston Crow online	Barrington councillor stands down from GCP to focus on winning mayoral election	<a href="#">Link</a>	
03/08/2020	Cambridge News	Regret' as city's tourism group is set to close down	P5	Visit Cambridge and Beyond closure

03/08/2020	Cambridge News	Councillor to run for Mayor	P11	
03/08/2020	Cambridge News	Travellers' appeal to stay settled in lockdown	P12 & P13	References no Traveller evictions by SCDC during lockdown
03/08/2020	BBC Radio Cambridgeshire	Cllr Peter McDonald about Duxford Primary School fire	<a href="#">1'52" into show</a>	
04/08/2020	Cambridge Network online	Last chance to enter Cambridge Independent SME Cambridgeshire Business Awards	<a href="#">Link</a>	SME Awards
04/08/2020	Cambridge Independent online	Meadows Centre community hub and council flats approved	<a href="#">Link</a>	JDCC decision referenced. Cllr Martin Cahn quoted
05/08/2020	Cambridge News	Investigation into cause of fire at village school	P5	Cllr Peter McDonald quoted
05/08/2020	Cambridge News	Work begins on building a modern new town	P12	Start of Urban Splash work at Inholm, Northstowe. Cllr Dr. Tumi Hawkins quoted
05/08/2020	Cambridge News	Letter: Political dig at Labour is just hypocrisy	P17	
05/08/2020	Cambridge Independent	New road measures set to be introduced across the city	P4	GCP article
05/08/2020	Cambridge Independent	We'll recover from blaze' says head	P5	Cllr Peter McDonald quoted
05/08/2020	Cambridge Independent	Palmer seeks 'diplomatic' leader for metro plans	P6 & P7	
05/08/2020	Cambridge Independent	How our mayor can help county fulfil its potential	P7	Column from Cllr Aidan Van de Weyer
05/08/2020	Cambridge Independent	Community centre and council flats plan given approval	P10	JDCC decision referenced
05/08/2020	Cambridge Independent	Fury at delay in building access road	P17	Greater Cambridge Shared Planning Service mentioned about Trumpington Meadows access road
05/08/2020	Cambridge Independent	Visit Cambridge and Beyond closed as tourist numbers fall	P18	
05/08/2020	Cambridge Independent	Cllr Bridget Smith column: Aiming to make district healthiest in the country	P30	
05/08/2020	Cambridge Independent	Letter from Cllr Brian Milnes: Almost zero chance of Sawston rail funds	P30	

## 5. 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.

**Friday 31 July, Times:** [Councils look to set up their own track and trace systems](#)

Councils are said to be looking to launch their own track and trace operations amid concerns that the national system is missing too many cases.

**Saturday 1 August, iNews:** [England's "regional divide" over affordable homes revealed](#)

Research by the House of Commons library has found large differences in the construction of affordable homes around the country.

**Monday 3 August, *Express*: [Local businesses face missing out on £1bn](#)**

Local businesses could miss out on more than £1 billion of emergency Covid-19 funding as the Government looks to end the Small Business Grants Funds, according to the Local Government Association.

**Monday 3 August, *BBC News*: [Thousands of homes to be built without full planning permission](#)**

The Government will this week unveil plans to overhaul England's planning system.

**Tuesday 4 August, *Guardian*: [Planning reform](#)**

LGA housing spokesperson Cllr David Renard appeared on Talk Radio and Times Radio to discuss the Government's proposed planning reforms.

**Tuesday 4 August, *Times*: [Drug dealers behind knife crime surge in the shires](#)**

An analysis published yesterday has shown that knife crime has surged in rural counties in the past decade.

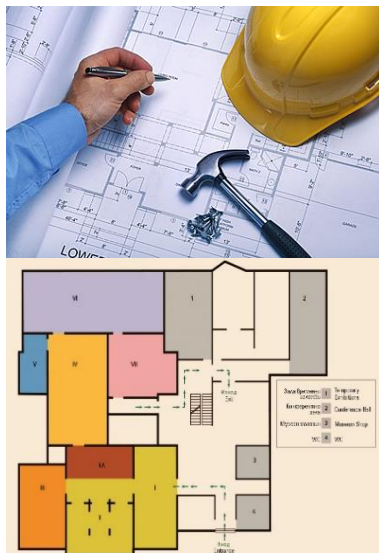
**Wednesday 5 August, *Telegraph*: [Rishi Sunak could hike business rates for "most valuable properties"](#)**

The Chancellor has called for evidence on whether high end shops, offices and other larger premises should pay a new, high businesses rate, with responses due ahead of the Autumn Budget.

**Wednesday 5 August, *BBC Online*: [Rural crime in England reaches eight-year highs of £46m](#)**

Rural crime in England hit an eight-year peak last year, costing businesses around £46 million, according to a new report by the insurance and investment firm NFU Mutual.

## 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](#).

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 29 July 2020



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. Waiver of Local Land Charge relating to Disabled Facilities Grants

The Lead Cabinet Member for Housing **AGREED** to approve the request to waive the local land charge of £6,959.14 relating to Disabled Facilities Grants.

*This decision was first published on 30 July 2020, so the deadline for call-in is 5pm on 6 August 2020.*

## 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/your-council-and-democracy/access-to-information/>

## OTHER INFORMATION

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



#### Agendas

- [Planning Committee 12 August](#)

#### Decisions

- [Waiver of Local Land Charge relating to Disabled Facilities Grants](#)

#### Plans

- [Forward Plan of Key Decisions](#)

#### Issues

- [Pre-application fees proposal](#)
- [Natural Capital Strategy](#)

9. **SCDC Starters and Leavers**



**Staff who have left**

Name: Christine Luffman

Job title: Cleaner

Leaving date: 1 August 2020