

Councillors' Bulletin Wednesday, 26 August 2020



South Cambridgeshire District Council

Contents

Meetings and events from Thursday 27 August to Friday 11 September 2020

Date	Time	Name	Venue	Contact
Thu 27 Aug				
Fri 28 Aug	10am	Grants Advisory Committee	Virtual Meeting – Online	Aaron Clarke
Mon 31 Aug	Τ		T	1
Tue 1 Sep	2pm	Climate & Environment Advisory Committee	Virtual Meeting – Online	Patrick Adams
Wed 2 Sep	10am	Cabinet	Virtual Meeting – Online	lan Senior
Thu 3 Sep				
Fri 4 Sep				
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Mon 7 Sep				
Tue 8 Sep	10am	Civic Affairs Committee	Virtual Meeting – Online	Patrick Adams
Wed 9 Sep	10am	Planning Committee	Virtual Meeting – Online	lan Senior
	11:59 pm	Deadline for Motions for Council		
Thu 10 Sep				
Fri 11 Sep	10:30 am	Licensing Appeal Sub- Committee	Virtual Meeting – Online	<u>Victoria</u> <u>Wallace</u>

Information for District Councillors and Parish Councils

2. Road Closure Information for Week Commencing Monday 24 August Related to A14 Improvements

Please find attached road closures information for week commencing 24 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 <u>Section 1 & 2:</u> Alconbury to the East Coast Main Line, <u>Section 3:</u> East Coast Main Line to Swavesey & <u>Section 4 & 5:</u> Swavesey to <u>Milton, please email: A14CambridgeHuntingdon@highwaysengland.co.uk</u>

<u>Section 6:</u> Huntingdon town centre **Samantha Kedie** – samantha.kedie@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. Virtual Briefing by Acting Policy and Crime and Commissioner

The Acting Police and Crime Commissioner, Ray Bisby is offering a second virtual briefing session for parish, town and city councillors in the Cambridge City and South Cambridgeshire area on Wednesday 2 September from 6:30pm to 8:00pm.

The virtual briefings are an opportunity to receive an update on community safety initiatives in your area and to speak to the Commissioner about local issues which are pertinent to residents.

A local police officer from Cambridgeshire Constabulary will also attend to respond to any operational questions where appropriate.

Please email cambs-pcc@cambs.pnn.police.uk if you are a parish, town or city council representative who would like to join this meeting and a Microsoft Teams invite will be sent to you.

4. Webinar and Guide on Climate Change by Centre of Public Scrutiny

The Centre for Public Scrutiny has provided councils with a <u>guide</u> to combat climate change at a local level. The resource sets out 10 scrutiny questions to embed the necessary environmental, social and cultural changes that communities need to see to build resilience to response to climate challenges such as investment strategies and transport plans.

Two new webinars also aim to help councillors sitting on scrutiny committees, and the officers who support them, take steps to ensure responses to the pandemic correlate with their council's climate action plans. Both of the below are free events, and will take place on 18 September:

- The role of scrutiny in climate change programmes scoping and designing effective reviews, 10.00am 11.30am
- Scrutinising climate action: who, when and how, 2.00pm 3.20pm

General Information

5. 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 <u>Communications Team</u> for further information.

Date	Publication	Details	
19/08/2020	Gov.uk	Cambridgeshire to benefit from sustainable development initiative	Protecting great crested newt populations: Cllr Bridget Smith quoted
	Cambridge Independent	Five-storey blocks for 80 new flats	Planning application to be decided at Planning Committee

	Cambridge Independent	Village sets up e-bike trial	P14	
	Cambridge Independent	Museum's hotel plans stalled by admin error	P20	
	Cambridge Independent	First allotments for new town's residents	P32	
19/08/2020	Show House online	Sustainable development initiative gets rolled out in Cambridgeshire		populations: Cllr Bridget Smith quoted
19/08/2020	Cambridge News online	Newmarket Road easyHotel: Residents who claim they were 'denied a voice' seek court intervention over new hotel plans	<u>Link</u>	Mention of Greater Cambridge Shared Planning Service
20/08/2020	BBC Radio Cambridgeshire	Local resident and Director of Fews Lane Consortium interviewed about low water levels around Northstowe	1'10" into show	
20/08/2020	BBC Radio Cambridgeshire	Environment Agency interviewed about issues with water supplies in the region	1'48	
20/08/2020	BBC Radio Cambridgeshire	Cllr Tumi Hawkins interviewed about issues with water in ponds and water supply around Northstowe	2'15" into show	
20/08/2020	BBC Radio Cambridgeshire	AM bulletins: Clips from this morning's interviews about local water supply issues	N/A	
21/08/2020	The Telegraph online	Councils managing 380,000 households sent recycling to landfill and incineration during pandemic	<u>Link</u>	
21/08/2020	BBC Radio Cambridgeshire	Cllr Anna Bradnam interviewed about A10 racing by cars	3'10" into show	
		Don't turn Honey Hill into Poo Corner' Bank holiday appeal to try and reduce	P8 P9	North East Cambridge plans. Focus on sewage works move
24/08/2020	Cambridge Independent online	waste Residents mount legal challenge to easyHotel plans for Cambridge	<u>Link</u>	Mention of Greater Cambridge Shared Planning Service
25/08/2020	-	Great Abington Parish Council sets up ebike trial for local residents	Link	
25/08/2020	Cambridge News	Letter: Seems flats plan meeting was a fait accompli	P15	Letter about JDCC decision
25/08/2020	Cambridge News	Letter: Many questions over Anglian Water plans	P15	Letter about waste water treatment move and link to North East Cambridge plans
26/08/2020	BBC Radio Cambridgeshire	Cllr Bill Handley interviewed about extension of the SCDC hot food scheme following new grant	TBC	
26/08/2020	Cambridge News	Letter: Council must take stock over sewage works	P17	Letter about waste water treatment move and link to North East Cambridge plans

6. Items of Interest from the Local Government Association (LGA)

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Association (LGA)

The Local Government Association provides a list of

Jovernment hews headlines relevant to its members. Please click the headlines below for more details.

Association

Thursday 20 August, City AM Online, Councils face £2bn black hole from Covid-19, IFS report

Councils in England face a £2 billion black hole over the coming months if the Government does not provide emergency funding, a report by the Institute for Fiscal Studies suggests.

Saturday 22 August, *Mail*, <u>Half of young people want a job in the green economy, survey</u> finds

Half of British people aged 18 to 34 want a job in the green economy, according to a report commissioned by domestic and business energy supplier Good Energy.

Saturday 22 August, Telegraph, Recycling

Five councils in England have sent recyclable material to landfill or incineration since the start of the pandemic, according to a Freedom of Information investigation by the Telegraph.

Sunday 23 August, Mail on Sunday, Government urged to extend business grant deadline The LGA and business groups have urged the Government to extend business support grants before the schemes close on Friday.

Sunday 23 August, Sunday Mirror, Council tax collection

Research by the Sunday Mirror under Freedom of Information laws found 88 councils who responded are using bailiffs more often than they did five years ago to collect council tax.

Tuesday 25 August, *Guardian*, <u>Councils scrapping use of algorithms in benefit and</u> welfare decisions

Councils are reportedly scrapping the use of computer algorithms in helping to make decision on benefit claims and other welfare issues.

Tuesday 25 August, BBC Online, Debt collection

Bailiffs can now resume operations in England and Wales to collect unpaid Council Tax and parking fines after a five-month suspension.

7. 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</u> 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 ...



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'.

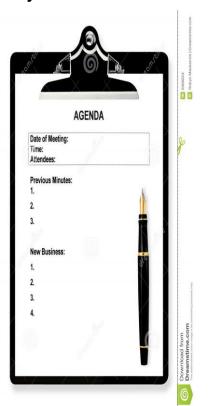
Decisions Made By Officers and Reported For Information

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

- Grants Advisory Committee 28
 August
- Climate & Environment Advisory
 Committee 1 September
- Cabinet 2 September

Minutes

- Grants Advisory Committee 31 July
- <u>Licensing (2003 Act) Sub-Committee</u>
 18 August