



**Councillors' Bulletin
Wednesday, 8 September
2021**

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South
Cambridgeshire
District Council

1. Meetings and events from Thursday 9 September to Friday 24 September 2021

Date	Time	Name	Venue	Contact
Thu 9 Sep	10 am	Civic Affairs Committee	Council Chamber	Patrick Adams
Fri 10 Sep	-	-	-	-
Mon 13 Sep	2 pm	Climate & Environment Advisory Committee	Council Chamber	Patrick Adams
	11:59 pm	Deadline for Members' questions for Council		
Tue 14 Sep	-	-	-	-
Wed 15 Sep	5:20 pm	Scrutiny and Overview Committee - Cancelled	-	-
Thu 16 Sep	-	-	-	-
Fri 17 Sep	Midday	Deadline for Public questions for Council	-	-
Mon 20 Sep	-	-	-	-
Tue 21 Sep	5:20 pm	Scrutiny & Overview Committee	Council Chamber	Ian Senior
	After Scrutiny	Climate & Environment Advisory Committee	Council Chamber	Patrick Adams
Wed 22 Sep	-	-	-	-
Thu 23 Sep	2 pm	Council	Council Chamber	Rebecca Dobson
Fri 24 Sep	10 am	Grants Advisory Committee	Council Chamber	Aaron Clarke

Information for District Councillors and Parish Councils

2. Important roadworks information: M11 junctions 8 to 10 bridge repairs

Message from the Highways Agency:

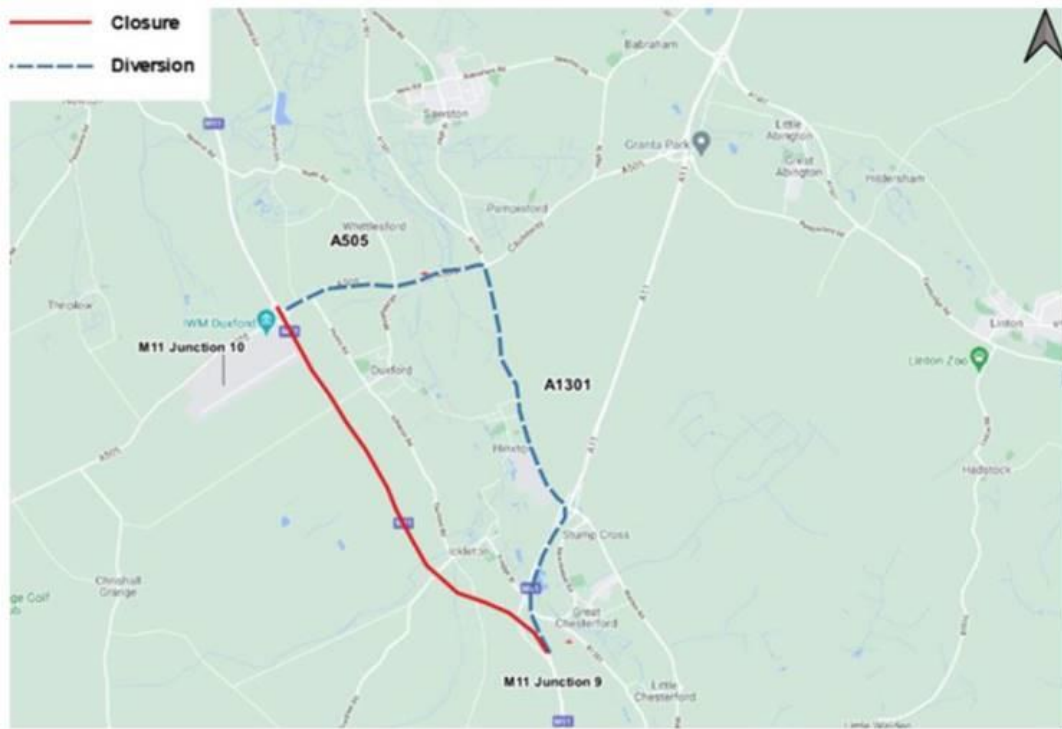
I write to inform you that we'll be carrying out work at the above location to replace the expansion joints and re-waterproof the Junction 9 overbridge. We will also be carrying out some resurfacing.

We plan to complete this work over **13 weeks** from **Thursday 16 September to Monday 13 December**, subject to weather conditions.

Closures and diversions

We have liaised with the local authority to agree the most suitable dates and diversion routes for this work which is as follows:

Diagram 2



COVID-19

Please be assured all our sites have strict safeguarding measures to prevent the spread of COVID-19 and none of our sites are open to the public. We will be carrying out all works following safety guidelines set by the Government.

How to find out more

To find out more about roadworks we’re carrying out across the East of England, please visit www.highwaysengland.co.uk/our-work/east/ to register for the latest alerts. If you have any enquiries please contact the Highways England Customer Contact Centre on 0300 123 5000, or by email to info@highwaysengland.co.uk

General Information

3. 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		
01/09/21	Cambridge Network online	Environment put at the heart of Local Plan as possible sites announced	Link	-
01/09/21	Cambridge News	Proposals for 49,000 new homes revealed	P4 & P5	-

01/09/21	Cambridge News	Local Opinion from Anthony Browne MP: 'Plan is declaring war on our way of life'	P5	-
01/09/21	Cambridge Independent	Sites for 49,000 new homes revealed amid water warnings	P8 & P9	-
01/09/21	Cambridge Independent	Insight: How the plan was created	P9	Insite article written by Hana Loftus
01/09/21	Cambridge Independent	Civil traffic wardens are on the cards	P12	-
01/09/21	Cambridge Independent	Cllr Bridget Smith column: We must all work together to make the best Local Plan that we can	P30 & P31	-
01/09/21	BBC Radio Cambridgeshire	AM bulletins: Local Plan proposed site allocations revealed	N/A	-
01/09/21	BBC Radio Cambridgeshire	Reports on breakfast show: Reaction to Local Plan proposed site allocations	Various: Links	Various guests including Cllr Dr.Tumi Hawkins interviewed
01/09/21	Cambridgeshire Live online	Where thousands of homes and new neighbourhoods will be built in Cambs	Link	-
01/09/21	Cambridge Independent online	Interactive map: See the sites where nearly 49,000 new homes are proposed for Cambridge and South Cambridgeshire	Link	-
01/09/21	Cambridge Network online	Free trees offer to parishes doubled	Link	-
02/09/21	Cambridge News	Village free tree offer grows	P14	-
02/09/21	Cambridge Independent online	Anthony Browne MP condemns 49,000-home Greater Cambridge Local Plan proposals as 'nightmare' for South Cambridgeshire	Link	-
03/09/21	Cambridgeshire Live online	Council address rumours about bin collections hit by driver shortage and self-isolation	Link	-
03/09/21	Cambridge Independent online	Buses proposed every 10 minutes in Cambridge – paid for by city congestion charge	Link	GCP article
04/09/21	Cambridge News	Covid continues to hit waste collections	P2	-
04/09/21	Cambridge News	Extended hours in bid to improve vaccine numbers	P5	-
04/09/21	Cambridge Independent online	'Stop the Poonami' say Cambridge river activists for Sewage Saturday protest on the Cam	Link	Greater Cambridge Local Plan referenced
04/09/21	In Your Area online	The councils hit by bin collection disruption due to driver shortage	Link	-
04/09/21	Business Weekly online	New 580,000 sq ft business park on the cards at Boxworth	Link	-
06/09/21	Cambridge News	Local opinion from Anthony Browne MP: 'Building 49,000 new homes is a nightmare'	P12	-
07/09/21	Cambridge Network online	Waterpark is latest addition to local facilities at Northstowe	Link	-
07/09/21	Cambridge News	Walking and cycling network opens up	P1 & P7	-

07/09/21	Local Government Chronicle	Idea Exchange: How we created our strategy to double nature	P58 & P59	-
07/09/21	Cambridgeshire Live online	Councils team up to offer homes to refugees fleeing Afghanistan	Link	-
08/09/21	Cambridge Network online	Step forward in plans for civil parking enforcement in South Cambridgeshire	Link	-
08/09/21	Cambridge News	Village mast plan resubmitted	P9	-
08/09/21	Cambridge News	SCDC to take on car parking enforcement	P12	-
08/09/21	Cambridge News	United front to aid refugees	P15	-
08/09/21	Cambridge Independent	Bitter political row breaks out over housing	P1	-
08/09/21	Cambridge Independent	Parties clash over 20-year blueprint for new developments	P8 & P9	-
08/09/21	Cambridge Independent	Local opinion from Anthony Browne MP: 'Doubling Nature? You're doubling Cambridge city'	P9	-
08/09/21	Cambridge Independent	Doubling nature will require ambitious landscape-scale nature projects	P8 & P9	
08/09/21	Cambridge Independent	Free trees offer to parishes doubled	P21	
08/09/21	Cambridge Independent	Letter: No time to read 10,000 pages of Local Plan in detail	P26	Reaction to Greater Cambridge Local Plan update
08/09/21	Cambridge Independent	Letter: Equivalent to town the size of Stevenage	P26	Reaction to Greater Cambridge Local Plan update
08/09/21	Cambridge Independent	Letter: We need to listen to experts on water	P29	Reaction to Greater Cambridge Local Plan update

4. 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.

Thursday 2 September, Independent: [Ministers' plans for voter ID risk breaching human rights laws, warns report](#)

Government plans for voter ID risk breaching human rights laws by discriminating against as many as two million elderly, disabled and ethnic minority people, a report has warned.

Thursday 2 September, Sky News Online: [Universal credit cut risks "immense, immediate and avoidable hardship", 100 groups tell PM](#)

One hundred groups have signed an open letter to the Prime Minister urging him to abandon a planned cut to universal credit – which was increased by £20 a week temporarily during the pandemic – saying it would cause "immense, immediate and avoidable hardship".

Friday 3 September, BBC News: [Bin collection delays](#)

A number of councils across the UK are experiencing ongoing disruptions to their bin collection services due to a lack of heavy goods vehicle (HGV) drivers and staff self-isolating, with delays

primarily affecting garden waste collections.

Saturday 4 September, Evening Standard: [HGV driver shortage continues to impact councils](#)

Shortages of qualified HGV lorry driver has continued to disrupt some councils local waste collections.

Sunday 5 September, Mail Online: [Planning delays](#)

There are concerns about an increase in delay in processing planning applications and carrying out land searches by local authority planning departments due to the impact of Covid-19 related staff absences.

Monday 6 September, Sky News Online: [Removal of Universal Credit uplift will hit working families hard – charity](#)

Research by Action for Children has revealed that working families will face the biggest overall drop in their benefits income since 2010 when the uplift in Universal Credit ends at the beginning of October.

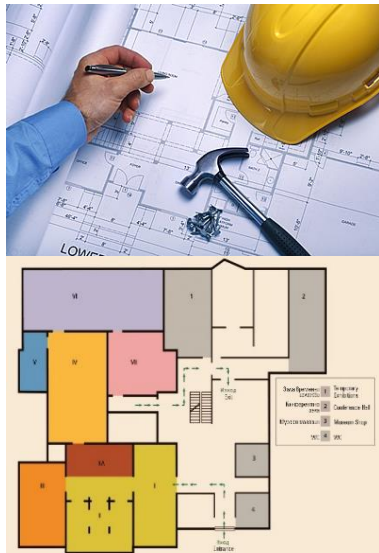
Tuesday 7 September, iNews: [Clean air zones make a real difference to air quality](#)

New data suggests efforts to cut pollution in the country's second-largest city are working, with Birmingham residents breathing cleaner air since the introduction of the city's Clean Air Zone (CAZ) in June, according to analysis of air quality data.

Wednesday 8 September, Times: [Green Homes scheme waste](#)

According to the National Audit Office the Government's Green Homes scheme offering homeowners grants to reduce their energy bills spent £50 million on administration costs

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 [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 1 September 2021



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'](#).

6. Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982 - Street Trading

Cabinet:

Approved the adoption of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982 ("The Act") for the whole of the South Cambridgeshire District, and designate all roads and streets within the District as Consent Streets (with the exception of the A11 and A14).

This decision was first published on Tuesday 7 September and so the deadline for call-in is 5pm on Tuesday 14 September.

7. CSP Action Plan 2021/22

Cabinet:

Agreed the content of the Action Plan for 2021/22 as set out in Appendix A, and the lead role the Council takes in its delivery and the resources committed to it.

This decision was first published on Tuesday 7 September and so the deadline for call-in is 5pm on Tuesday 14 September.

8. Little Shelford Village Design Guide Supplementary Planning Document (SPD)

Cabinet:

- a) **Approved** the consultation draft Little Shelford Village Design Guide SPD, for Regulation 13 public consultation in accordance with the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012 and in accordance with the consultation arrangements set out in the Consultation Statement accompanying the SPD; the consultation will be for a period of four weeks during the autumn and the setting of the dates of this consultation will be delegated to the Joint Director of Planning and Economic Development in liaison with the Lead Cabinet Member for Planning Policy and Delivery.

- b) **Delegated** authority to the Joint Director of Planning and Economic Development, in liaison with the Lead Cabinet Member for Planning Policy and Delivery to make editorial changes to the consultation draft SPD to comprise minor amendments and changes required to ensure accessibility.

This decision was first published on Tuesday 7 September and so the deadline for call-in is 5pm on Tuesday 14 September.

9. Corporate Fraud Strategy

Cabinet:

Adopted the Corporate Fraud Strategy; acknowledging the governing body's responsibility for ensuring that risks associated with fraud and corruption are managed effectively across all parts of the organisation.

This decision was first published on Tuesday 7 September and so the deadline for call-in is 5pm on Tuesday 14 September.

10. Q1 Financial Monitoring

Cabinet:

- a) **Acknowledged** the forecast 2021/22 revenue position against the approved revenue budget shown in Appendix B, the projected major variances with reasons for these variances at Appendices C1 and C2 and the action being taken to address the underlying issues.
- b) **Acknowledged** the latest Capital Programme 2021/22 position as shown in Appendix D.

11. Joint Response to the Bedfordshire Borough Council Draft Plan (Regulation 18) Strategy Options and Draft Policies Consultation

For the Joint Director for Planning and Economic Development and Lead Cabinet member for Planning Policy and Delivery agree the response to the Bedford Borough Council Draft Plan (Regulation 18) Strategy Options and Draft Policies consultation as set out in Appendix A.

A parallel decision is being considered by Cambridge City Council to be agreed, and delegated authority is given to the Joint Director for Planning and Economic Development to agree any minor amendments to the response agreed by the City Council that are consistent with the response at Appendix A.

This decision was first published on 3 September and so the deadline is 5pm on Friday 10 September.

12. Community and Voluntary Sector Service Support Grant - Annual performance reports

To note the delivery of all grant programmes within the scope of this report, and agree with officers that despite not all organisations meeting performance objectives, no further action would be taken. This was due to the unprecedented economic environment resulting from the ongoing pandemic and not reflective of business as usual.

This decision was taken on 1 September and so the deadline for call-in is 5pm Wednesday 8 September.

13. **Community and Voluntary Sector Service Support Grant - Grant Agreement Review**

Part 1 :New Agreements?

- a) Extend the existing 3-year grant agreements for another year to allow time for the climate to settle post-pandemic and to enable budget forecasts to be based on more predictable circumstances.

Part 2: Introduction of a new theme?

- a) Use the unspent £38K from the Mobile Warden Scheme to begin a new theme specifically to support charities and organisations working to advance the wellbeing of children and young people. This would be a 1-year fund initially, to support demand resulting from the pandemic. We would then offer a 3-year grant agreement moving forwards beginning in 2023 in line with the Voluntary and Community Service Support grants.

Part 3: Farmland Museum

- a) Continue to fund the Farmland Museum for a further year, to finish in March 2023. Thereafter, following the introduction of a cultural and heritage strategy, invite the Museum to apply for grant funding from the associated budget.

Part 4: Budget increase?

- b) Review and increase funding to the Voluntary and Community Service Support grants to reflect anticipated ongoing demand and service provision and offering inflationary increases three-yearly at re-launch (2023). Please note that organisations will be asked to consider annual inflationary increases within their applications.

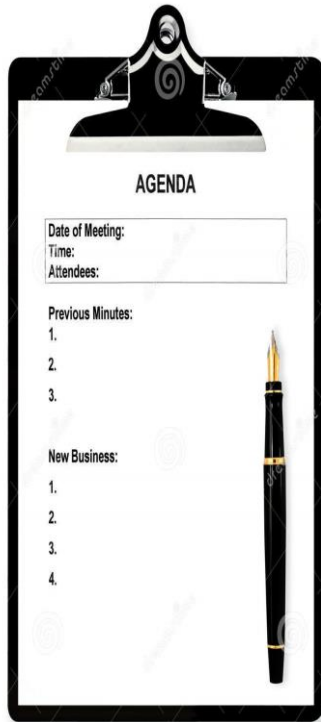
This decision was first published on Wednesday 1 September and so the deadline for call-in is 5pm on Wednesday 8 September.

Decisions Made By Officers and Reported For Information

Please click on the link to find details of decisions made by [officers under delegated authority](#).

Other Information

14. **Newly-Published Items on modern.gov**



Agendas

[Civic Affairs Committee 9 September](#)
[Climate & Environment Advisory Committee 13 September](#)

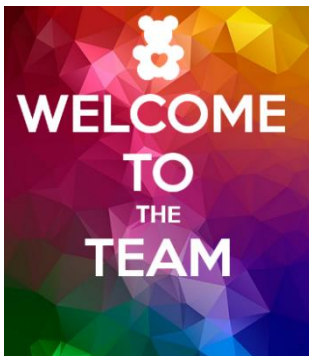
Decisions

[Cabinet 6 September](#)
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Plans

[Forward Plan of Key Decisions](#)

15. The Council's Starters and Leavers



New Employees at the Council

Name: Lucy Mayne
Job title: Revenues and Benefits Support Officer
Date started: 6 September 2021

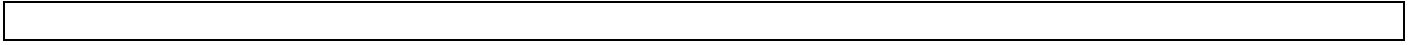
Name: Amy McDonagh
Job title: Senior Planner
Date started: 6 September 2021

Name: Jane Mountain
Job title: Customer Service Advisor
Date started: 31 August 2021



Staff who have left

Name: Miranda Horlor
Date leaving: 22 September 2021



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