

## SOUTH CAMBRIDGESHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

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**REPORT TO:** Planning Committee

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### CAMBOURNE - DRAINAGE

#### Background

1. This matter is being reported to the Planning Committee at the request of the Planning Portfolio Holder, following assurances given to Full Council on 22 April 2010 that it would be kept under regular review by Members
2. Update reports will be presented to future meetings of the Planning Committee until a permanent solution to the drainage issues at Cambourne has been identified and implemented.

#### Update as at 26 July 2010

3. Prior to the Full Council meeting on 22 April 2010, questions on this issue were put to the Planning Portfolio Holder and the Environment Services Portfolio Holder. Officers have been advised that no further questions have been put direct to the said Portfolio Holders and that only one further question has been forwarded to the Senior Planning Lawyer in Planning and New Communities. This has been answered and no follow up queries have been received.
4. Officers have continued to liaise with representatives of The Cambourne Consortium, its Resident Engineer and Anglian Water . Repair works are still said to be anticipated for completion by the end of July (2010) when a programme of final checking will begin .
5. Mr Andrew Lansley M.P called a meeting at South Cambridgeshire District Council's offices on 25 June 2010.to update him on progress in terms of the ongoing investigative works and repairs. At this stage, there is not known to be anything outstanding from that meeting. Both MCA Developments and Anglian Water continue to acknowledge that ultimate success of the works will only be tested once there has been a prolonged period of rainfall.
6. A further update will be presented to the Planning Committee's meeting on 1 September 2010.

**Background Papers:** the following background papers were used in the preparation of this update:

- None

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