



**COUNCILLORS' BULLETIN  
WEDNESDAY, 4 MARCH  
2020**



South  
Cambridgeshire  
District Council

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**1. Meetings and events from Thursday 5 March to Friday 20 March**

Date	Time	Name	Venue	Contact
Thu 5 Mar				
Fri 6 Mar				
Mon 9 Mar				
Tue 10 Mar				
Wed 11 Mar	10am	<a href="#">Planning Committee</a>	Council Chamber	<a href="#">Ian Senior</a>
Thu 12 Mar	5:20pm	<a href="#">Scrutiny and Overview Committee</a>	Swansley Room	<a href="#">Victoria Wallace</a>
Fri 13 Mar				
Mon 16 Mar				
Tue 17 Mar				
Wed 18 Mar	10am	<a href="#">Employment and Staffing Committee</a>	Swansley Room A	<a href="#">Patrick Adams</a>
Thu 19 Mar				
Fri 20 Mar				

**INFORMATION FOR DISTRICT COUNCILLORS AND PARISH COUNCILS**

**2. A14 Road Closures for Week Commencing 2 March 2020**

Please find attached road closures information for week commencing 2 March 2020, 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.

***John Birchall has now left the project. For all queries in relation to Section 1 & 2: Alconbury to the East Coast Main Line & Section 3: East Coast Main Line to Swavesey, please email [A14CambridgeHuntingdon@highwaysengland.co.uk](mailto:A14CambridgeHuntingdon@highwaysengland.co.uk)***

Section 4 & 5: Swavesey to Milton  
John Akester - [John.Akester@thea14.com](mailto:John.Akester@thea14.com)

Section 6: Huntingdon town centre  
Liam Heath – [liam.heath@thea14.com](mailto:liam.heath@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. Update - Joint Community Safety Event and Zero Carbon Communities Workshop - Saturday 7 March 2020**

Due to unforeseen circumstances, **the morning ONLY** Community Safety Event **has been cancelled.**

The afternoon - **Zero Carbon Communities Workshop** **is still going ahead as planned at 13.30pm**

Lunch will still take place at 12.30pm- 13.30pm

Sorry for any inconvenience caused.

**UPCOMING DISTRICT COUNCILLOR TRAINING**

Unless otherwise specified, please confirm your availability to attend any of the following briefing or training events by contacting [Jonathan Malton](#). This will ensure your training records are kept up to date and suitable venue and catering booking can be made. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

**4. Investment Partnerships Training - 12 March 2020 12pm to 4pm**

It is proposed that Investment Partnerships will fulfil a substantial role in the delivery of the Council's Investment Strategy, with a £170m funding allocation in this investment stream anticipated by March 2024. It is proposed that Full Council will, on 2nd April, consider the recommendation from Cabinet on 4th March to enter into Limited Liability Partnerships with two Partners, Hill Partnerships Limited and Balfour Beatty Investments. It is essential that members who will be scrutinising this proposal are properly informed as to the nature and extent of these Partnerships. To this end, specific training on this issue has been organised on 12 March, timed to start and finish before the Scrutiny and Overview committee meeting.

The training will cover the following issues:

- The role of investment partnerships within the SCDC Investment Strategy
- Key ingredients for successful partnerships
- What the parties bring to the table
- Governance challenges within the investment partnerships
- Initial business case development and approval
- Exit strategies on investments
- Interaction between investment partnerships and Council policy framework
- Community engagement and public perceptions
- Case studies / experiences from elsewhere
- Legal basis (Haringey Case)

The training will be delivered by Chris Brain, an expert in the field who has previously provided member training to the Council on its Investment Strategy in April 2019. He is an expert in this field, able to easily disseminate what can sometimes seem an impenetrable subject in a highly accessible and enjoyable way.

Please advise Democratic Services if you can attend the training on Thursday 12 March

from 12 noon to 4pm in the Council Chamber. Lunch will be provided.

## 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 [Communications Team](#) for further information.

Date	Publication	Details		
26/02/20	BBC Radio Cambridgeshire	Cllr Bill Handley interview on taxi licensing policy	9.22am, 10am bulletin	
26/02/20	ITV News Anglia	Cllr Bill Handley interview on taxi licensing policy	<a href="#">6.10pm</a>	
26/02/20	Cambridge Network	Council extends deadline to apply for funding for VE Day commemorations	<a href="#">Link</a>	
27/02/20	Cambridge News	City Council approves rise in tax share	P17	SCDC increase referenced
27/02/20	Cambridge Independent online	Cambridgeshire council to spend £5m on tackling the climate emergency	<a href="#">Link</a>	
27/02/20	Property Week online	Cambridge takes a new tack with its shared local plan	<a href="#">Link</a>	
27/02/20	Royston Crow	A new review on council changes	P1	
27/02/20	Royston Crow	Deadline extended for groups to apply for VE Day celebrations	P3	
28/02/20	Cambridge Independent online	Cambourne Village College pupils and volunteers help plant hedgerow around Great Cambourne cricket pitch	<a href="#">Link</a>	
01/03/20	Cambridge Independent online	East West Rail seeks feedback from communities along route at series of public events	<a href="#">Link</a>	
02/03/20	Cambridge News online	How much council tax Cambridge residents will pay from April	<a href="#">Link</a>	SCDC increase referenced
02/03/20	GP Online	How social prescribing is helping patients in our practices	<a href="#">Link</a>	SCDC funding referenced
02/03/20	Cambridge News online	Planning applications 'may be delayed' in South Cambridgeshire after legal	<a href="#">Link</a>	

		challenge		
02/03/20	ITV News Anglia	The energy-efficient homes helping to tackle climate change in the region	<a href="#">Link</a>	Online article
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02/03/20	Royston Crow online	Cyclists using Meldreth railway station to benefit from funding boost	<a href="#">Link</a>	
03/03/20	Cambridge News	Driver angered at being forced to pay for CCTV	P6	
03/03/20	Cambridge News	Some planning applications face delays at council	P8	
03/03/20	Royston Crow online	Third judicial review against South Cambridgeshire District Council after alleged changes to constitution	<a href="#">Link</a>	
03/03/20	Cambridge News online	Residents 'in limbo' over South Cambs planning 'pickle'	<a href="#">Link</a>	
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## 6. 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.

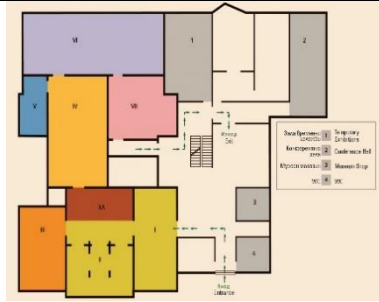
3 March 2020, *Independent Online*: [Ban lifted on subsidies for new onshore windfarms](#)  
A ban on subsidies for new onshore wind farms is to be lifted by the Government, reversing a four-year ban introduced by David Cameron.

## 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 [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.

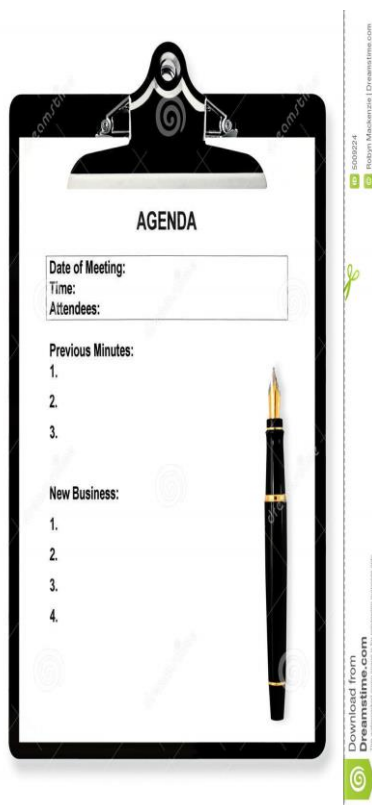
## DECISIONS MADE BY OFFICERS AND REPORTED FOR INFORMATION

Please click on the link below to find details of decisions made by officers under delegated authority:

<https://www.scams.gov.uk/your-council-and-democracy/access-to-information/>

## OTHER INFORMATION

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



#### Agendas

- [Planning Committee 11 March](#)
- [Scrutiny & Overview Committee 12 March](#)

#### Minutes

- [Planning Committee 12 February](#)
- [Licensing Appeals Sub-Committee 21 February](#) – 10am
- [Licensing Appeals Sub-Committee 21 February](#) – 2pm

#### Plans

- [Notice of Key Decisions March 2020](#)

#### Issues

- [NNDR Discretionary Rate Relief Policy Update](#)
- [Asset Register](#)
- [Financial Procedure Rules](#)
- [Northstowe Phase One Provision](#)
- [Council Tax Discretionary Reductions Policy](#)
- [Transfer of Community Assets Policy](#)

9. **SCDC Starters and Leavers**



**Staff who have left/ will be leaving**

Name: Bridget Fairley  
Job title: Executive Assistant (Planning)  
Date leaving: 27 March 2020

Name: Claire Heaton  
Job title: Assistant Local Taxation Manager  
Date leaving: 4 March 2020

Name: Becca Holah  
Job title: Resource Assistant  
Date leaving: 17 March 2020

Name: Mihai Mailat  
Job title: Refuse Loader  
Date left: 20 February 2020