



Councillors' Bulletin Wednesday, 7 July 2021

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South
Cambridgeshire
District Council

1. Meetings and events from Thursday 8 July. to Friday 23 July 2021

Date	Time	Name	Venue	Contact
Thu 8 Jul	-	-	-	-
Fri 9 Jul	-	-	-	-
Mon 12 Jul	11:59 pm	Deadline for Councillors' questions for Council on 22 July		
Tue 13 Jul	2 pm	Climate & Environment Advisory Committee	Council Chamber	Patrick Adams
Wed 14 Jul	10 am	Planning Committee	Council Chamber	Ian Senior
Thu 15 Jul	2 pm	Employment & Staffing Committee	Council Chamber	Patrick Adams
Fri 16 Jul	-	-	-	-
Mon 19 Jul	-	-	-	-
Tue 20 Jul	5:30 pm	Scrutiny & Overview Committee	Council Chamber	Ian Senior
Wed 21 Jul	-	-	-	-
Thu 22 Jul	2 pm	Council	Council Chamber	Rebecca Dobson
Fri 23 Jul	-	-	-	-

Information for District Councillors and Parish Councils

2. Road Closures for Week Commencing 5 July Relating to A14 Cambridge to Huntingdon Improvement Scheme

Please find attached road closures information for week commencing 5 July in relation to the A14 Cambridge to Huntingdon improvement scheme.

For all queries relating to the scheme, please email:
A14CambridgeHuntingdon@highwaysengland.co.uk

Further updates on scheme progress can be found on their [website](#).

3. Community Right to Bid - Assets of Community Value

The Council has made the following decision and will amend the asset register accordingly:

Land known as "Recreation Ground Extension", Longstanton – The Council has approved the listing of land known as "Recreation Ground Extension" as an Asset of Community Value until 02 July 2026.

Further information about the Community Right to Bid and Assets of Community Value can be

found on our [webpage](#)

4. Cambs Home Improvement Agency - Annual Report

Please find attached the Cambs Home Improvement Agency's annual report and a link to previous reports and their website is here: <https://www.cambshia.org/about-us/plans-and-performance/>

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		
30/06/21	Cambridge News	Judicial review threat to council planning service	P15	-
30/06/21	Cambridge Independent	Opposition builds to a GCP plan for a £132m busway in green belt	P8 & P9	GCP article
30/06/21	Cambridgeshire Live online	South Cambridgeshire District Council threatened with legal action for 'misleading' performance figures	-	-
30/06/21	The MJ online	Chief speaks out after staff targeted by campaigners	-	-
30/06/21	Royston Crow online	South Cambs sees largest free school meal rise in county	-	-
30/06/21	Let's Recycle online	Adam Read confirmed as CIWM president	-	-
01/07/21	The MJ	People section: Cllr Bridget Smith elected to new position at LGA	P19	-
01/07/21	The Cambridge Tab online	King's College bans swimming, barbecuing and boating on Grantchester Meadows	-	-
02/07/21	Cambridge Independent online	Anthony Browne MP to raise future of GCP with government after 'baffling' vote on Cambridge South East Transport busway	-	-
02/07/21	Cambridge News	GCP board approves application bid for contentious busway	P4 & P5	GCP article. Cllr Neil Gough quoted in GCP role
05/07/21	Cambridgeshire Live online	Cambourne to Cambridge busway could "irreparably damage" landscape around American Military Cemetery	-	GCP article
05/07/21	Cambs Times online	IVF treatment on the NHS set to return	-	Cllr Heather

				Williams quoted
05/07/21	In Your Area online	Cambridge and South Cambridgeshire planning applications for week ending July 05	-	-
06/07/21	Cambridge News	Health group set to end 'postcode lottery' of IVF services	P4	Cllr Heather Williams quoted
06/07/21	Cambridge News	Lib Dems criticised over its planning performance	P6	-
06/07/21	Cambridge Network online	New fund launched for growing businesses in South Cambridgeshire	-	-
06/07/21	Cambridgeshire Live online	Conservatives blame budget cuts for 'worrying' South Cambs District Council planning stats	-	-
06/07/21	Cambridge Network online	Chamber event helps to rebuild the Greater Cambridge supply chain post COVID-19	-	-
07/07/21	Cambridge News	Recovery plan for food industry	P6	-
07/07/21	Cambridge Independent	Have a say on £20m cycling work	P5	GCP article. Cllr Neil Gough quoted in GCP role
07/07/21	Cambridge Independent	Undeterred by critics, GCP pushes on with its busway plans	P8 & P9	GCP article. Cllr Neil Gough quoted in GCP role
07/07/21	Cambridge Independent	Cllr Neil Gough column: Why we must take action P9	P9	GCP column
07/07/21	Cambridge Independent	King's concern over legal claims prompts meadows swim ban	P12 & P13	Cllr Bill Handley quoted
07/07/21	Cambridge Independent	Spoils from HS2 heads by train to Barrington	P22	Mentions planning history of site
07/07/21	Cambridge Independent	Cllr Bridget Smith column: Helping prevent isolation for all residents in the district	P26 & P27	-
07/07/21	Cambridge Independent	New grant launched for businesses	P49	-
6. 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 2 July, Times: [Net-zero plans](#)

The Government is reportedly planning to introduce a carbon reduction scheme that could put up the costs of gas and petrol as part of an attempt to decarbonise the economy.

Saturday 3 July, Guardian: [Councils spending five times more on homeless people in B&Bs](#)

Councils in England are spending five times more on housing homeless people in bed and breakfasts that they were a decade ago, as the numbers of people needing to be put up in temporary accommodation soars.

Sunday 4 July, Sunday Telegraph: [Homeowners to get up to 15 years to sue builders for “shoddy workmanship”](#)

Homeowners will be given up to 15 years to sue builders and developers for “shoddy workmanship”, under new laws which will more than double the current time limit for bringing legal claims.

Monday 5 July, BBC Online: [Grenfell prompts creation of building safety regulator](#)

The Government has announced that a new regulator will be set up with the power to prosecute property developers that do not meet safety standards.

Monday 5 July, BBC Online: [Archaeologists dig in over planning reforms](#)

Experts have warned that historical discoveries could be at risk if the Government does not put archaeology at the heart of its planning reforms.

Monday 5 July, Guardian: [Voter ID plans](#)

Plans are due to be unveiled today to make people carry identification to cast a ballot.

Tuesday 6 July, Times (Red Box): [LGA: Local government is the key to building back better](#)

In an opinion piece for Times Red Box, LGA Chairman Cllr James Jamieson says it is clear that the role of local authorities has never been more significant in the lives of people across the country.

Tuesday 6 July, Guardian: [Councils “failing to provide public health funerals”](#)

According to Quaker Social Action councils in England and Wales are not meeting their legal responsibility to provide public health funerals, often turning away low-income families who cannot afford to pay for relatives to be buried or cremated.

Tuesday 6 July, Times: [Planning reforms bill “won’t halt wildlife decline”](#)

The Government’s planning reforms risk damaging ancient woodlands and wildlife habitats, a coalition of environmental groups has warned.

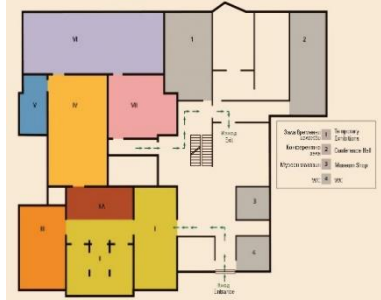
Wednesday 7 July, Mail: [Fewer people returning to work could solve housing crisis](#)

The Housing Secretary Robert Jenrick stated that a permanent reduction to the number of staff working in offices in the wake of the pandemic could help the Government solve the housing crisis at the LGA’s Annual Conference.

Wednesday 7 July, Independent: [Sir Ed Davey MP criticises planning reforms](#)

Liberal Democrat leader Sir Ed Davey MP will criticise the Government's proposed planning reforms as he addresses the LGA Conference later today.

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.

Executive Decisions Taken Since Wednesday 6 July 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'](#).

8. Development of a 2 Bed House on Land Situated on Longstanton Road, Oakington

The Lead Cabinet Member for Housing **agreed** to enter into a land purchase contract (subject to

planning permission being granted), with Mrs Stephenson (landowner) to purchase the land at nil cost, except for legal fees or other associated costs, and to construct a 2 Bedroom Detached House to meet the housing needs of Mrs Stephenson's granddaughters.

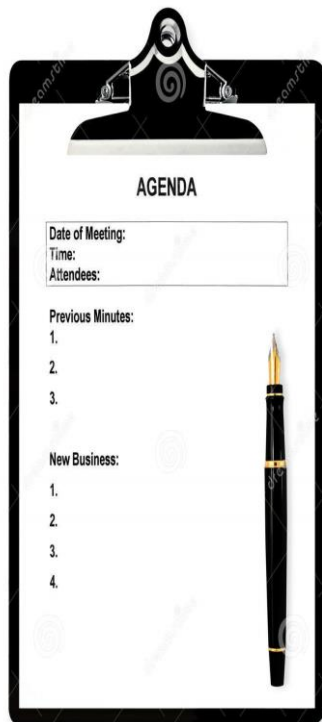
This decision was first published on Tuesday 6 July and so the deadline for call-in is 5pm on Tuesday 13 July.

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

9. Newly-Published Items on modern.gov



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