

# Councillors' Bulletin Wednesday, 13 July 2022

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**South Cambridgeshire**District Council

1. Meetings and events from Thursday 14 July to Friday 29 July 2022

Date	Time	Name	Venue	Contact		
Thu 14 Jul	2 pm	Licensing Appeals Sub-	Swansley	Aaron Clarke		
		Committee	Room			
Fri 15 Jul	-	-	-	-		
Mon 18 Jul	-	-	-	-		
Tue 19 Jul	-	-	-	-		
Wed 20 Jul	-	-	-	-		
Thu 21 Jul	2 pm	Council	Council	<u>Patrick</u>		
			Chamber	<u>Adams</u>		
Fri 22 Jul	-	-	-	-		
Mon 25 Jul	-	-	-	-		
Tue 26 Jul	5.20	Scrutiny & Overview	Council	lan Senior		
	pm	<u>Committee</u>	Chamber			
Wed 27 Jul	-	-	-	-		
Thu 28 Jul	10	Audit & Corporate	Council	<u>Patrick</u>		
	am	Governance Committee	Chamber	Adams		
Fri 29 Jul	10	Grants Advisory Committee	Council	Aaron Clarke		
	am		Chamber			

## Information for District Councillors and Parish Councils

# 2. Community Partner Toolkit - Your station, Your Community Improvement Fund

Thameslink's **Your station, Your Community Improvement Fund** opens 28 June – 30 July for applications. The fund is available for initiatives that address challenges and issues that are important to and impact our local communities and the railway:

- Enhancing our stations to be a welcoming environment
- Positive Mental Health
- Diversity and Inclusion
- Employability and confidence building
- Environmental Sustainability

Applications are welcomed from registered charities, community groups and other not-for-profit organisations such as rail user groups, community rail partnerships, business partnerships, town councils, parish councils and schools. Minimum funding request is £1,000, maximum is £50,000.

Find out more here: <a href="https://bit.ly/3boNZCv">https://bit.ly/3boNZCv</a>.

# 3. Reporting Hate Crime

Following recent incidents of racism / racist graffiti that have been drawn to our attention, we

have drafted some text and images that could be used as a social media campaign against hate crime - 3 clear messages that could be used in consecutive posts to remind communities that hate crime will not be tolerated. Please feel free to use these / encourage your social media admins to post these. We draw your attention to the opening paragraph - Hate crime comes in many different forms and strikes at the heart of communities. With your help, we can tackle those responsible for hate crime and keep our communities safe. Police are here and ready to help anyone who has been affected by someone else's prejudice, ignorance or violence. Please share the messages to help raise awareness of how to report a hate crime. By reporting hate crime, you may be able to prevent it from happening again.

# 4. Beth Watson: Community Safety Partnership Project Officer

Beth Watson has joined South Cambs District Council as the Community Safety Partnership Project Officer. The post is funded by the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner. Beth's role will be to support community action and engagement activities alongside partners from a range of agencies from the Community Safety Partnership (CSP), including Cambridgeshire Police, Cambridgeshire Fire and Rescue Service and Cambridgeshire County Council.

Beth will work with residents and community groups from South Cambridgeshire as well as with elected members to address their concerns.

Beth will promote and help develop community safety and resilience in the District, prioritising activities based on data and feedback from partners and the public. You may find that your Ward falls into the CSP's priority focus areas, in which case you will work more closely with Beth. But even if not, she is available and can work with partners to address local issues.

There will be 2 briefings for District Councillors in the coming months – one on 21 July before Council where Chief Insp Paul Rogerson will speak about Neighbourhood Policing, and one in September (date tbc) about the CSP and its work, where you can meet Beth and her CSP colleagues.

Any enquiries can be emailed to: <a href="mailto:communitysafety@scambs.gov.uk">Communitysafety@scambs.gov.uk</a> or call Beth on 07933 172367.

# **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		
06/07/22	Cambridge Independent print	E bike service launched in three South Cambs villages	p14	-
06/07/22	Cambridge Independent print	Queen's Baton Relay science and sport day hosted by Wellcome & SCDC	p17	-
06/07/22	Cambridge Independent print	Petition opposes 125 homes at Fowlmere	p18	-
06/07/22	Cambridge Independent print	Farmer fears for land after well he uses for crops dries up	p19	-
06/07/22	Cambridge Independent print	Census data. Population growth in East of England outstrips national average	p21	S Cambs from 148,755 in 2011 to

				162,000 in 2021
06/07/22	Cambridge Independent print	Letter from Bridget Smith. What happens if we don't build more homes?	p32	-
06/07/22	Cambridge Independent print	hub project	p35	-
07/07/22	Cambridge News print	Care home plan for former Girton hotel meets opposition	p6	-
07/07/22	Wicked Leeks	New town causes water shortage on local farm	<u>Link</u>	-
07/07/22	Cambridge Independent	E-bike service is launched in three South Cambs villages	<u>Link</u>	-
08/07/22	Cambridge Network	Ukrainian families encouraged to integrate into community life thanks to SCDC grants	<u>Link</u>	-
08/07/22	Cambridge Independent	Developers eye up Cambridgeshire sites for thousands more homes	<u>Link</u>	-
08/07/22	Cambridge Independent	How To See the Queen's Baton Race	<u>Link</u>	-
09/07/22	ITV Anglia	SCDC and City get their second electric bin lorry	-	-
11/07/22	Black Cat Radio	Cllr Bill Handley interviewed on grants for Ukraine family activities	-	-
11/07/22	Cambridge News online	Fulbourn 110 homes 'potential legal challenge' to successful appeal	<u>Link</u>	-
11/07/22	Cambridge Independent online	Cllr Bridget Smith: What happens if we don't build more homes	<u>Link</u>	
13/07/22	Cambridge Independent print	Queen's Baton relay double spread picture feature	p8-9	-
13/07/22	BBC Radio Cambridgeshire	Farmer fears for land after he says water levels dry up	7am Dotty Macleod Show	-
13/07/22	Cambridge News print	Fulbourn: Successful appeal over council's refusal could see legal challenge	p4	-

# 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.

# **Association**

# Friday 8 July, BBC News: UK debt on "unsustainable path"

The UK's national debt is on an "unsustainable path" unless taxes are raised and spending is tightened.

# Sunday 10 July, Sunday Mirror: <u>Councils evict over 2,500 families for being unable to pay</u> rent during pandemic

Councils evicted more than 2,500 households over the last three years for not paying rent, according to Freedom of Information requests.

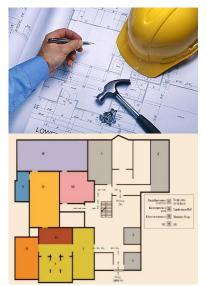
## Monday 11 July, Times: Packaging pollution

Research has found over-sized packaging is causing five million unnecessary delivery trips a year because of wasted space.

# Tuesday 12 July, BBC News: The Big Plastic Count

A survey of Britain's household plastic waste show that the average participating household threw away 66 pieces of plastic in a week.

# 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 6 July 2022**



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 <u>Part 4 of the Council's Constitution</u>, 'Scrutiny and Overview Committee Procedure Rules'.

# 8. Lynton Way, Sawston - recreation ground

Cabinet:

**Agreed** to implement a new 99-year lease with Sawston Parish Council relating to land owned by South Cambridgeshire District Council (SCDC) at Lynton Way, Sawston.

This decision was first published on Monday 11 July and so the deadline for call-in is Monday 18 July at 5 pm.

#### 9. Orwell Beacon - Asset Transfer

Cabinet:

**Agreed** to the transfer of ownership of the Orwell Beacon ('the Beacon', also known as the Orwell Millennium Beacon) from South Cambridgeshire District Council (SCDC) to Orwell Parish Council.

This decision was first published on Monday 11 July and so the deadline for call-in is 5 pm on Monday 18 July.

## 10. Biodiversity Net Gain

Cabinet:

**Endorsed** the Biodiversity Net Gain proposal as an interim approach of guiding principles for siting biodiversity net gain for developments within South Cambridgeshire, with delegated powers given to the Joint Planning Director of Planning and Economic Development to make minor changes to the technical note.

This decision was first published on Monday 11 July and so the deadline for call-in is 5pm on Monday 18 July.

# 11. Greater Cambridge Local Development Scheme and Greater Cambridge Local Plan First Proposals representations

Cabinet:

- a) **Noted** the representations made to the Greater Cambridge Local Plan First Proposals (Preferred Options) consultation and the report on the consultation at Appendix A.
- b) **Agreed** to adopt the updated Local Development Scheme for Greater Cambridge included at Appendix B of the report, to take effect from Monday 1 August 2022.
- c) **Agreed** to grant delegated authority to the Joint Director of Planning and Economic Development, in consultation with the South Cambridgeshire District Council Lead Cabinet member for Planning and the Cambridge City Council Executive Councillor for Planning and Infrastructure (in consultation with chair and spokes), to make any minor editing changes and corrections identified to the updated Local Development Scheme for Greater Cambridge included at Appendix A of the report prior to publication.

This decision was first published on Monday 11 July and so the deadline for call-in is 5 pm on Monday 18 July.

# 12. Neighbouring Local Plan consultation responses

Cabinet:

 a) Agreed the proposed response to the West Suffolk Local Plan Preferred Options (Regulation 18) consultation as set out in Appendix A, and the proposed response to the Bedford Borough Local Plan 2040 Plan for Submission (Regulation 19) as set out in Appendix B

- b) Agreed that any material changes to the responses to the West Suffolk Local Plan Preferred Options (Regulation 18) and the Bedford Borough Local Plan 2040 Plan for Submission (Regulation 19) arising from consideration by Cabinet will be agreed via an out of cycle decision by the South Cambridgeshire Lead Cabinet Member for Planning in liaison with the Executive Councillor for Planning and Infrastructure, and in consultation with the Chair and Spokes of the Cambridge City Council Planning & Transport Scrutiny Committee.
- c) **Agreed** to grant delegated authority to the Joint Director of Planning and Economic Development, in liaison with the South Cambridgeshire Lead Cabinet member for Planning and the Cambridge City Council Executive Councillor for Planning and Infrastructure, to make any minor editing changes to the responses to the West Suffolk Local Plan Preferred Options (Regulation 18) and the Bedford Borough Local Plan 2040 Plan for Submission (Regulation 19).

This decision was first published on Monday 11 July and so the deadline for call-in is 5 pm on Monday 18 July.

## 13. Delivery at Northstowe

Cabinet:

a) Agreed to establish a Member Governance Board for Northstowe

This decision was first published on Monday 11 July and so the deadline for call-in is 5pm on Monday 18 July.

# 14. Acquisition 18 no. Affordable Homes in Over

Cabinet:

**Approved** the property acquisition as specified in paragraphs 7 and 8 of the exempt report.

This decision was first published on Monday 11 July and so the deadline is 5 pm on Monday 18 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

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



# **Agendas**

<u>Licensing Appeals Sub-Committee 14 July Council 21 July</u>

# **Decisions**

Cabinet 11 July

## **Minutes**

Employment & Staffing Committee 9 June Planning Committee 16 June

# 16. The Council's Starters and Leavers



## **New Employees at the Council**

Name: Nikki Casey

Job title: Project Officer Team in Finance

Start date: 12 July 2022

Name: Vince Gay

Job title: Temp in Transformation Team

Start date: 11 July 2022

## Staff who have left

Name: Jamie Farr

Leaving date: 28 June 2022

Name Robyn Kerrigan Leaving date: 10 July 2022