



**Councillors' Bulletin
Wednesday, 16 November
2022**

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South
Cambridgeshire
District Council

1. Meetings and events from Thursday 17 November to Friday 2 December

Date	Time	Name	Venue	Contact
Thu 17 Nov	-			
Fri 18 Nov	-	-	-	-
Mon 21 Nov	5:30 pm	Joint Local Planning Advisory Group	Virtual Meeting	Laurence Damary-Homan
Tue 22 Nov	-	-	-	-
Wed 23 Nov	9 am	Licensing Appeals Sub-Committee	Swansley Room	Keira Mbye
Thu 24 Nov	2 pm	Council	Council Chamber	Rebecca Dobson
Fri 25 Nov	10 am	Grants Advisory Committee	Council Chamber	Keira Mbye
Mon 28 Nov	-	-	-	-
Tue 29 Nov	-	-	-	-
Wed 30 Nov	-	-	-	-
Thu 1 Dec	10 am	Audit and Corporate Governance Committee	Council Chamber	Patrick Adams
Fri 2 Dec	-	-	-	-

Information for District Councillors and Parish Councils

2. Business Key Projects Team - South Cambridgeshire Christmas Market 2022

On Sunday 11th December 2022, from 11:00 until 15:00, South Cambridgeshire District Council is proudly hosting an indoor Christmas Market, at Cambourne Village College CB23 6FR, presenting local independent traders of all crafts and talents from the district. A diverse range of businesspeople will feature across 70 stalls with fantastic mobile food and drink caterers available to provide festive refreshments.

At the Council, we continue to support local businesses facing economically challenging times. Often being cornerstones of our rural communities, we recognise markets are a wonderful way to generate relationships and promote local trade, and we remain wholly committed to our [Business Plan](#) so local traders are championed wherever possible. To that end, please kindly support our Christmas Market by visiting on Sunday 11th December 2022 for an event complete with yuletide cheer, gift ideas and much more.

Lastly, we would very much appreciate our Councillors promoting the news of our Christmas Market on their social media platforms and to our Parishes. We also welcome the opportunity to hear from our Councillors about volunteering at the event should they wish.

For more information, please visit [Christmas Market 2022](#) or contact the Team at

businesskeyprojects@scams.gov.uk.

We look forward to seeing you there!

3. Community Right to Bid - Assets of Community Value

The following asset has entered the protected period ending on 27th March 2024.

The Crown, Public House Church Street, Litlington, Nr Royston, Herts, SG8 0QB

Title number: CB160168

Please find further details attached.

Further information about the Community Right to Bid and Assets of Community Value can be found on our [webpage](#).

General Information

4. 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	-	-
09/11/2022	Cambridge News print	Shake up plans revealed for political map of the county	P10-P11	-
09/11/2022	Cambridgeshire Live online	Maps reveal major Cambridgeshire political shake up including new constituency	Link	-
09/11/2022	Cambridge Independent print	Captive birds to stay inside amid avian flu	P18	-
09/11/2022	Cambridge Independent print	Tories say by election success is a verdict on road charging	P23	-
09/11/2022	Cambridge Independent print	Boundary commission plans revised	P24	The commission stuck to its original plans
09/11/2022	Cambridge Independent print	Letters: Lib Dems were warned over water concerns	P26	Letter by a Fowlmere resident
09/11/2022	Cambridge Independent print	Cllr Bridget Smith column: We will lead by example towards a low carbon lifestyle	P26 & P27	-
09/11/2022	Cambridge Independent online	South Cambridgeshire business fined for disposing of trade waste at household waste recycling centre	Link	-
10/11/2022	Cambridge News print	Thousands of householders warned of winter flood risk	P3	-
10/11/2022	Cambridgeshire Live online	Environment Agency warns thousands of Cambs families at risk of flooding	Link	-
10/11/2022	Hunts Post online	New St Neots and Mid Cambridgeshire constituency revealed	Link	-
10/11/2022	Cambsnews online	South Cambs Council expands support to meet cost-of-living crisis	Link	-
11/11/2022	Cambridge	Remembrance 2022: guide to services &	Link	-

	Independent online	ceremonies in Cambridgeshire		
13/11/2022	Cambridge Independent online	In pictures: Remembrance Sunday in Cambridge marks 100 years since installation of city's war memorial	Link	-
14/11/2022	Cambridge Network online	Package of almost £400,000 to help South Cambridgeshire residents through the cost of living crisis	Link	-
14/11/2022	Cambridgeshire Live online	Cost of living: 'Warm packs' including blanket and thermos part of expanded support in South Cambs	Link	-
14/11/2022	Cambridgeshire Live online	'Eye-sore' van destroyed by council after being left with moss growing on it	Link	-
15/11/2022	Cambridge News print	Abandoned van is seized and destroyed	P3	-
15/11/2022	Cambridge News print	Very exciting package of measures to help keep people warm	P5	-
15/11/2022	That's TV Cambridge	Cllr Bill Handley interviewed on cost of living package of measures	11.30am	-
16/11/2022	Cambridge Independent print	Abandoned van is destroyed and owner is fined	P3	-
16/11/2022	Cambridge Independent print	Warm packs from council on their way	P19	-

5. 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.

Thursday 10 November, Mirror: [Council tax referendum cap](#)

Speculation is growing that Prime Minister Rishi Sunak is considering lifting the 2.99 per cent limit on increases in council tax without holding a referendum, and has even discussed the possibility of the threshold being removed entirely.

Thursday 10 November, Guardian: [Government must improve energy-saving advice, say its climate advisers](#)

The Government must improve its energy-savings advice for households to help cut costs for consumers and the Treasury this winter, its climate advisers have said.

Friday 11 November, FT: [Ukrainian refugees](#)

The LGA has called for hosts in the Homes for Ukraine scheme to be given an additional payment to help with the cost of living, as concerns are expressed about a growing number of Ukrainian refugees presenting to their local council as homeless.

Saturday 12 November, Independent: [Councils handed further £13.5m to clamp down on rogue supported living providers](#)

The Government has given councils a further £13.5 million to help them clamp down on rogue landlords who exploit the supported housing system and fail vulnerable residents.

Sunday 13 November, Observer: [Social housing](#)

Forty councils in England saw no social rent housing built in five years in the wake of government funding reductions, according to official figures analysed by the Observer.

Monday 14 November, iNews: [Warm banks: Half of councils to set up or support public rooms this winter](#)

Over half of councils in England and Wales are setting up or supporting groups to open thousands of so-called “warm rooms” so people can shelter from the cold if they cannot afford to put the heating on this winter, according to a survey by Save the Children.

Wednesday 16 November, Mirror: [LGA warns of “existential crisis” facing services](#)

Analysis by the LGA warns that Councils are facing a £3.4 billion gap in the next financial year and would need to increase council tax by 20 per cent over the next two years to address the funding shortfall, which it said is neither “sustainable nor desirable”.

6. 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 9 November 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 [Part 4 of the Council's Constitution, 'Scrutiny and Overview Committee Procedure Rules'](#).

7. **Minimum Energy Efficiency Standards policy**

Cabinet **approved** the proposed Minimum Energy Efficiency Standards policy.

This decision was published on Tuesday 15 November and so the deadline for call-in is 11:59 pm on Tuesday 22 November.

8. **Mobile Homes (Fit & Proper Person policies and fees & charges)**

Cabinet:

Approved the two proposed Mobile Homes – Fit & Proper Person policies (determination policy and fees policy) as well as the proposed fees & charges for Mobile Homes.

This decision was published on Tuesday 15 November and so the deadline for call-in is 11:59 pm on Tuesday 22 November.

9. **Future use of plots of HRA Land**

Cabinet:

Noted the history of the self-build project and **approved** the below actions on a site-by-site basis:

- a) Blakeland Hill, Duxford: seek market valuation and sell without self-build restrictions;
- b) Coploe Road, Ickleton: offer on license to the neighbour as garden land;
- c) Falkner Road, Sawston: retain as garages and explore clustering development opportunity in future;
- d) Church Street, Harston: explore opportunities to support Doubling Nature Strategy;
- e) Horseshoes Lane, Weston Colville: seek market valuation and sell without self-build restrictions;
- f) Orchard Close, Cottenham: explore opportunity for “clustering” with other Council projects in the village. If viability cannot be established at tender, seek valuation and sell without self-build restrictions;
- g) Primrose Walk, Little Gransden: delegated authority be granted to the Lead Cabinet Member for Housing in consultation with the Head of Housing to conduct negotiations with the Parish Council and defer the recommendation to Cabinet in December 2022;
- h) Balsham Road, Linton: offer land on license to adjoining council tenant

This decision was published on Tuesday 15 November and so the deadline for call-in is 11:59 pm on Tuesday 22 November.

10. **Cost of living crisis**

Cabinet:

Approved the priorities and allocated funding set out in paragraphs to support South Cambridgeshire communities during the current cost-of-living crisis.

This decision was published on Tuesday 15 November and so the deadline for call-in is 11:59 pm on Tuesday 22 November.

11. Local Council Tax Support

Cabinet:

Approved Option 1 for consultation with residents, stakeholders, including Precepting Authorities and Parish Councils.

This decision was published on Tuesday 15 November and so the deadline for call-in is 11:59 pm on Tuesday 22 November.

12. Fees and Charges

Cabinet:

- a) **Approved** the fees and charges as detailed in Appendix A of the report to take effect from 1 April 2023 (unless otherwise stated) or the earliest feasible date thereafter.
- b) **Noted** the proposed variations to fees and charges in comparison to the prevailing inflation rate detailed in the report.

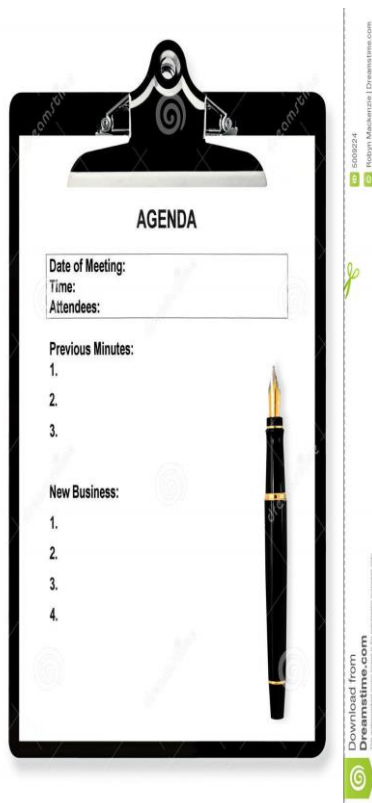
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Decisions Made By Officers and Reported For Information

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

Other Information

13. Newly-Published Items on modern.gov



Agendas

[Licensing Appeals Sub-Committee 23 November](#)

[Joint Local Planning Advisory Group 21 November](#)

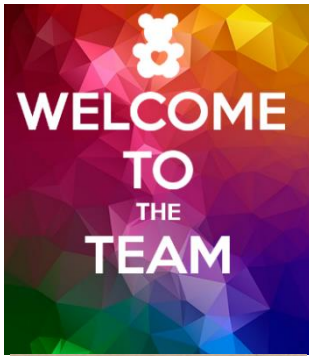
Decisions

[Cabinet 14 November](#)

[Ukraine Small Grant](#)

[Gamlingay Neighbourhood Plan – Making \(adopting\) the Plan](#)

14. **The Council's Starters and Leavers**



New Employees at the Council

Name: Emily Jacob
Job title: Landscape Architect/Officer
Date starting: 28 November 2022

Name: Lillia Kost
Job title: Temp in the Transformation Team
Date started: 15 November 2022

Staff who have left

Name: Ruth Wardman
Date leaving: 23 October 2022

