



**Councillors' Bulletin  
Wednesday, 21 February  
2024**

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South  
Cambridgeshire  
District Council

**1. Meetings and events from Thursday 22 February to Friday 8 March**

Date	Time	Name	Venue	Contact
Thu 22 Feb	10 am	<a href="#">Grants Advisory Committee</a>	Council Chamber	<a href="#">Laurence Damary-Homan</a>
Fri 23 Feb	-	-	-	-
Mon 26 Feb	-	-	-	-
Tue 27 Feb	2 pm	<a href="#">Council</a>	Council Chamber	<a href="#">Patrick Adams</a>
Wed 28 Feb	-	-	-	-
Thu 29 Feb	10 am	<a href="#">Employment &amp; Staffing Committee</a>	Council Chamber	<a href="#">Laurence Damary-Homan</a>
Fri 1 Mar	-	-	-	-
Mon 4 Mar	-	-	-	-
Tue 5 Mar	-	-	-	-
Wed 6 Mar	-	-	-	-
Thu 7 Mar	-	-	-	-
Fri 8 Mar	-	-	-	-

**Information for District Councillors and Parish Councils**

**2. Policing in South Cambs - have your say:**

The next community police engagement event is Wednesday 28th February 7-8pm (online), and you can obtain your [free ticket](#). Each quarter you can complete an online [Community Policing Survey \(office.com\)](#) so police can build up a picture of what is happening in your area and what is concerning you most. The engagement event will involve a report from the officers policing your area about recent activity and the results of the survey. Police promise to listen to your concerns and allow you to shape future activity. More details of both the engagement event, and survey, can be found at: [South Cambridgeshire | Cambridgeshire Constabulary \(cambs.police.uk\)](#) and we would appreciate your help advertising these opportunities to your local councillor colleagues and community groups.

## General Information

### 3. 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	-	-
15/02/2024	Cambridge News print	Underground homes plan is buried at appeal	P7	-
15/02/2024	Cambridge Independent online	The trains now arriving at Waterbeach's new railway station will be... one year late'	<a href="#">Link</a>	-
15/02/2024	Cambridge Independent online	Developers plan 'five-minute neighbourhoods' as they progress vision for 5,600-home Hartree in north Cambridge	<a href="#">Link</a>	-
15/02/2024	BBC Online	Six-storey hotel near Cambridge gets the green light	<a href="#">Link</a>	-
16/02/2024	Cambridge Independent online	New Bartlow Road roundabout to improve safety on A1307 is completed months early	<a href="#">Link</a>	GCP
16/02/2024	Cambridge News print	Six-storey hotel given green light despite nuisance parking fears	P8	Cllr Heather Williams quoted
16/02/2024	Cambridgeshire Live online	Finish date for new Waterbeach Station pushed back a year	<a href="#">Link</a>	GCP
16/02/2024	Ely Standard online	Duxford: Imperial War Museum changing places toilet opens	<a href="#">Link</a>	-
16/02/2024	Hunts Post online	Duxford: Imperial War Museum changing places toilet opens	<a href="#">Link</a>	-
16/02/2024	Planet Radio online	Date for completion of new Waterbeach Station delayed a year	<a href="#">Link</a>	-
16/02/2024	Cambridge Network online	Green Business Impact Programme - fully funded mentoring programme to help reduce your carbon footprint	<a href="#">Link</a>	-
16/02/2024	Little Miracles online	Little Miracles of Peterborough credited for £120,000 specialist loo at IWM Duxford	<a href="#">Link</a>	SCDC mention
16/02/2024	Cambridgeshire Live online	Cambridge council tax increase agreed as city centre regeneration 'dominates' budget investments	<a href="#">Link</a>	-
16/02/2024	BBC Online	Waterbeach station delayed for second time	<a href="#">Link</a>	-
16/02/2024	Cambsnews online	We will all lose out if the GCP abandons large-scale projects to reduce congestion	<a href="#">Link</a>	GCP
16/02/2024	Rail Business Daily online	The relocation of a railway station has been delayed for a second time and will open 12 months behind schedule.	<a href="#">Link</a>	GCP
16/02/2024	Cambridgeshire Live online	Cambridge council tax increase agreed as city centre regeneration 'dominates' budget investments	<a href="#">Link</a>	SCDC mention in refuse lorry info
16/02/2024	Star Radio online	New Waterbeach train station delayed a year	<a href="#">Link</a>	-
17/02/2024	Cambridge News print	Another year to wait for completion of Waterbeach station	P5	-
18/02/2024	Cambridge Independent	Cambridge City Council agrees 2.99% council tax rise after Labour knocks back Lib Dem	<a href="#">Link</a>	-

	online	proposals		
18/02/2024	Cambridgeshire Live online	Call for bike racks to be installed along Cambridge's Mill Road to stop pavement parking	<a href="#">Link</a>	GCP
18/02/2024	Cambridge Independent online	Slicing Cambourne to Cambridge busway through Coton Orchard is 'environmental tragedy'	<a href="#">Link</a>	-
19/02/2024	Cambridge Network online	Groundbreaking environmental legislation to bolster biodiversity	<a href="#">Link</a>	-
19/02/2024	Cambridgeshire Live online	Accusation of 'procrastination' over major project to review Cambridge's '1980s road network'	<a href="#">Link</a>	GCP
19/02/2024	Road CC online	How to stop pavement parking? "Install bike racks", say active travel campaigners	<a href="#">Link</a>	GCP
19/02/2024	Cambridge News print	Group wants bike rack to stop parking on pavement	P4	GCP
20/02/2024	The Hunts Post online	Waterbeach Station: What is the expected completion date?	<a href="#">Link</a>	
20/02/2024	Cambridge News print	Campaigners point finger over delays to review of City's roads	P5	GCP
20/01/2024	Room 151 online	Oflog won't 'name and shame' councils but will be 'firm'	<a href="#">Link</a>	SCDC Best Value Notice mention
21/02/2024	Cambridge Independent print	Congestion plans are like Band Aid on a bullet wound	P1, 6 & 7	GCP
21/02/2024	Cambridge Independent print	Trains arriving at Waterbeach new station will be a year late	P8	-
21/02/2024	Cambridge Independent print	Deter parking on pavement with racks	P8	GCP
21/02/2024	Cambridge Independent print	Hotel with pool and gym backed	P22	Cllr Heather Williams quoted
21/02/2024	Cambridge Independent print	IWM Duxford launch Changing Places facility	P23	-

#### 4. 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.

##### Thursday 15 February, Talk Radio: [LGA calls for Right to Buy reforms](#)

The LGA is proposing reforms to the Right to Buy scheme, ahead of next month's Budget, in order to prevent the current net loss of much-needed social housing stock year on year currently being experienced by local authorities.

##### Friday 16 February, Times: [River clean-up fund](#)

A key fund at the heart of the Government's plans to clean up rivers has not been established 15 months after it was promised.

##### Sunday 18 February, Observer: [Council funding](#)

A senior levelling up advisor has warned the Government that it must address funding of local authorities.

**Monday 19 February, BBC Online: [Public right of way](#)**

Campaigners say that walkers are being shut out of 2,500 landscapes and beauty spots where there is a right to roam but no legal right to access them.

**Tuesday 20 February, Guardian: [English farmers grant](#)**

In response to food security concerns, the Prime Minister is expected to announce the largest ever grant scheme to ensure that England is able to feed itself.

**Wednesday 21 February, Express: [Council tax rises](#)**

In nearly all parts of England, council tax is set to rise by 5 per cent from April.

**5. 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 14 February 2024**



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'](#).

## 6. Sale of land at Blakeland Hill, Duxford, Cambridge CB22 4RX

The Lead Cabinet Member for Housing has agreed to approve the sale of Council owned land at Blakeland Hill, Duxford, with receipts invested in the Housing Revenue Account.

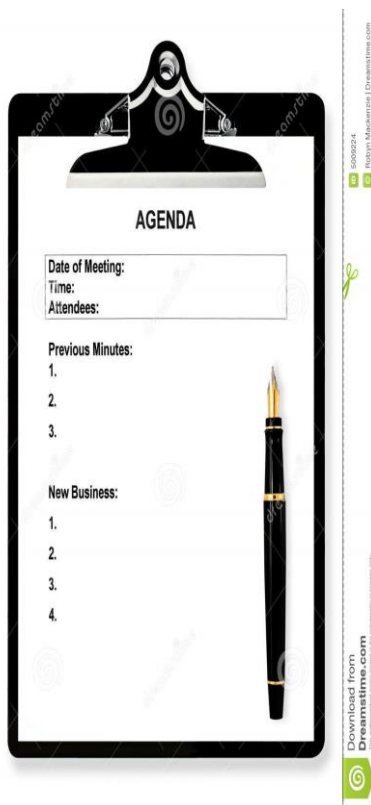
This decision was first published on 19 February and so the deadline for call-in is 26 February.

### 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

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



### Agendas

[Grants Advisory Committee 22 February](#)  
[Council 27 February](#)

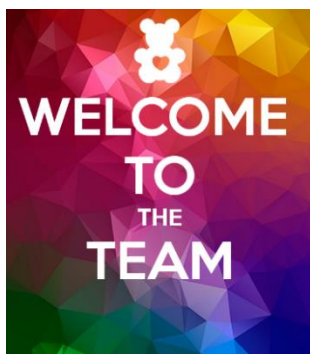
### Decisions

[Assets of Community Value](#)  
[Sale of land at Blakeland Hill, Duxford](#)

### Minutes

[Grants Advisory Committee 25 January](#)

## 8. The Council's Starters and Leavers



### New Employees at the Council

Name: Artur Lubarski  
Job title: Mechanical Cleansing Driver  
Date started: 21 February 2024



### **Staff who have moved jobs**

Name: Jo Dixon  
New Job title: Surveyor – Damp & Mould  
Date transferred: 19 February 2024



### **Staff who have left**

Name: Cati Smith  
Date left: 12 February 2024