

SOUTH CAMBRIDGESHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL COUNCILLORS' BULLETIN – ISSUE DATE 9TH APRIL 2003

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- To Appoint Proper Officers Under The Public Health (Control Of Disease) Act 1984 and National Assistance Act 1948
- To Part Fund Rampton Parish Council's Flooding Survey Work to £300
- To Part Fund West Wratting Parish Council to £266.67
- To Write to Mr Eliott Regarding Timetable on Hauxton Contaminated Land Issue

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR COUNCILLORS

	COMMITTEE MEETINGS		
	FROM	14 TH – 18 TH APRIL 2003	
THURSDAY 17 TH	AT 10 AM	RESOURCE AND	ROOM 132
APRIL 2003	AT TO AIII	STAFFING PORTFOLIO HOLDER MEETING	KOOM 102
	AT 10 AM	AUDIT PANEL (Contact Officer Susan May)	COUNCIL CHAMBER
	AT 2 PM	SCRUTINY COMMITTEE (Contact Officer Susan May)	COUNCIL CHAMBER

Training Courses

Name of Course	Description	Date and Venue
CIPFA Better Governance Forum: Guiding the Way to Effective Governance – The Role of Risk Management	 One-day conference on risk management and consists of: A Keynote Address from Austin Mitchell MP Presentation on Public Sector Risk Management in the UK By Professor Peter Young Presentation on the Changing Nature of Public Sector Risk by Martin Fone Building Trust Through Transparency: Measuring & Communicating Performance to Stakeholders Presentation on Our Approach to Risk Management, by David Fleetwood, Sunderland City Council Presentation on Managing the Media by Martin Tapp Presentation on Managing Project Risks by John Ward, Severn Group Plc 	Thursday 5 th June 2003 in Central London
Advanced Local Governance Development Programme for Elected Members (ADLoG)	 This is an In-Authority Programme in Local Governance for Elected Members, with optional assessment and accreditation to Postgraduate Certificate of Masters Degree in Local Governance. There are three five-day modules: The Changing Agenda of Local Governance Governing Local Communities: The Implications for Members and Community Leadership Governing & Managing Public Services: The Role of the Member 	In-house can be scheduled to meet the choice of the commissioning authority

If you are interested in any of the above courses please contact Patrick Adams on (01223) 443408 or patrick.adams@scambs.gov.uk

Access To Services Consultation Day - May 9th 9.30 am to 1.30 pm

As part of the Best Value Review of "Access to Services" the review team is arranging a consultation day where we will look to consult on the team's proposals to improve access to the authority's services. Invitations are being sent to a range of organisations/individuals

across the district such as the CAB, Police, PCT, Disability organisations, Youth Groups and Ethnic minority groups, who are likely to represent the views of many regarding how people access South Cambridgeshire District Council services (SCDC).

Using a range of national and local statistics, a number of parishes have been identified as suffering from problems of isolation or access to services. Parish clerks and District councillors representing these areas will be invited, to share their concerns and comment on how SCDC can help minimise the effect of such factors in the future.

If you represent one of the selected parishes and receive an invitation we would appreciate your attendance. This half-day consultation will help to shape how SCDC provides access to its services for many years to come and your input will be invaluable.

If you do not receive an invitation but feel you could add to the consultation and would like to attend, please contact Kirsty Simmons on 01223 443297 or (kirsty.simmons@scambs.gov.uk)

A14 Improvements Announcement

The Government has announced, in a statement by Transport Secretary Alistair Darling on 1st April, a package of new road improvements which are now included in the Government's Targeted Programme of Road Improvements (TPI).

It confirms that the A14 will be made a dual three-lane carriageway between Huntingdon and Cambridge. The £490m project to build a dual three-lane carriageway will involve widening parts of the A14, and providing a new route from Fenstanton to Ellington in Cambridgeshire, including a southern bypass of Huntingdon. The southern alignment of the scheme will allow through traffic to be removed from the viaducts through Huntingdon which are not suitable for widening. The existing A14 will be used for local traffic and public transport.

It is the route that was recommended following a multi-modal study of the Cambridge to Huntingdon transport corridor (CHUMMS). The £490 million project will improve road safety and reduce congestion on this busy trunk road, helping improve journey times thereby bringing real benefits to motorists and local communities.

The Government suggests the improvement of the A14 also demonstrates its commitment to supporting the plans for accelerated growth in the London-Stansted-Cambridge area, as set out in the Communities Plan, presumably in the Cambridge Sub-Region as now evidenced by the emerging Structure Plan Review.

The improved road is expected to open around 2010, subject to the required statutory processes being completed.

The Highways Agency will now develop the scheme to the stage where the public can be consulted on the preferred route.

Members' Allowances Paid for 2002-03

	Total Pagis		Attandance	Childcare or
Councillor:	Total Basic	Total Special	Attendance	
	Allowance:	Responsibilities	Allowance	Dependence
	00 000 05	Allowance	20.00	Allowance
Agnew, SJ	£3,929.25	£530.25	£0.00	£0.00
Bard, Dr DR	£3,929.25	£6,851.04	£0.00	£0.00
Barker, CC	£3,929.25	£6,851.04	£0.00	£0.00
Barrett, RE	£3,929.25	£0.00	£0.00	00.03
Batchelor, JD	£3,929.25	£6,851.04	£0.00	£0.00
Bryant, RF	£3,929.25	£1,511.25	£0.00	£0.00
Bullman, EW	£3,929.25	£0.00	£91.17	£0.00
Cathcart, NN	£3,929.25	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Chatfield, JP	£3,541.35	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Collinson, RF	£3,929.25	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Course, Mrs MP	£3,929.25	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Davies, NS	£3,929.25	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Driver, R	£3,929.25	£87.51	£0.00	£0.00
Ellwood, MR		£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
	£3,929.25			
Elsbury, G	£3,929.25	£3,425.46	£0.00	£0.00
Flanagan, TJ	£3,929.25	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Fletcher, RC	£387.90	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Ford, DT	£387.90	£112.50	£0.00	£0.00
Gravatt, CJ	£3,929.25	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Hall, R	£3,929.25	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Harangozo, SA	£3,929.25	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Healey, Mrs JM	£3,929.25	£3,549.96	£0.00	£0.00
Heap, Dr JA	£3,929.25	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Heazell, Mrs EM	£3,929.25	£6,851.04	£91.17	£0.00
Howell, MP	£3,929.25	£998.63	£0.00	£0.00
Hughes, Mrs J	£3,929.25	£322.18	£0.00	£0.00
Kendrick, Mrs EA	£387.90	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Kime, SJ	£3,929.25	£6,851.04	£0.00	£0.00
Kindersley, SGM	£3,929.25	£2,309.11	£0.00	£0.00
				£0.00
Lockwood, Mrs JE	£0.00	£0.00	0.00 <u></u>	
Manning, LCA	£3,929.25	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Matthews, RM	£3,929.25	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Monks, EL	£3,929.25	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Muncey, Mrs JA	£3,929.25	£159.08	£0.00	£0.00
Murfitt, Mrs CAED	£2,409.09	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Murfitt, RFA	£975.00	£126.33	£0.00	£0.00
Nicholas, JA	£3,541.35	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Nightingale, CR	£3,541.35	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Orme, Dr JPR	£3,541.35	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Page, R	£3,929.25	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Porter, DL	£3,541.35	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Quinlan, JA	£3,929.25	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Regan, D	£3,541.35	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Roberts, Mrs DP	£3,929.25	£6,851.04	£0.00	£0.00
Saberton, WH	£3,929.25	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Scarr, NJ	£3,929.25	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Shepperson, J	£3,929.25	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Smith, Mrs GJ	£3,929.25	£322.18	£0.00	£0.00
Smith, RGR	£3,929.25	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Spink, Mrs DSK	£3,929.25	£10,276.50	£91.17	0.00£
Stewart, JH	£3,929.25	£2,062.53	0.00 <u></u>	£0.00
Stroude, PL	£3,929.25	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Summerfield, RT	£3,929.25	£7,707.51	0.00 <u></u>	0.00 <u>£</u>
Sutherland, Mrs LM	£3,929.25	£126.33	£0.00	£0.00
Teague, Mrs JP	£387.90	£99.46	£0.00	£0.00
Trueman, Mrs VM	£3,929.25	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Tulitt, CW	£387.90	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Wherrell, DALG	£3,929.25	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Wilson, LJ	£3,929.25	£322.18	£0.00	£0.00
		£253.63	£0.00	£0.00
Wotherspoon, TJ	£387.90	1,200.00	20.00	
Wotherspoon, TJ Wyatt, AW	£387.90 £3,929.25	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00

Notes of Environmental Heath Portfolio Holder Meeting 1 APRIL 2003

PRESENT: Councillor C Barker and Dale Robinson

APOLOGIES: Councillor Mrs D S K Spink

Item 1 – <u>Notes of Previous Meeting</u> – Agreed.

Item 2 – Matters Arising – None noted.

Item 3 – <u>Appointment of Proper Officers</u> – The Portfolio Holder (PFH) was advised that the new Health Protection Agency (HPA) had come into being and it was necessary for SCDC to appoint the relevant staff as Proper Officers. The Public Health Protection Unit within the Cambridgeshire & Peterborough Public Health Network was now part of the new Agency.

The PFH AGREED to appoint the following Proper Officers and alternative Proper Officers under the Public Health (Control of Disease) Act 1984 and National Assistance Act 1948:

<u>Proper Officers</u> Dr Bernadette Nazareth

Dr Kate King

Alternate Proper Officer Dr Christine Macleod Dr Mark Kroese

Dr David Kanka
Dr Nicola Howard
Dr Liz Robin
Dr Andy Liggins
Dr Ulrike Harrower
Dr Dorothy Gregson
Dr Fay Haffenden
Dr Nicola Howard
Dr Elizabeth Young
Dr Ulrike Harrower
Dr Aliko Ahmed
Dr Raj Lakshman

Dr Suan Goh

Item 4: - <u>Award of Tender for the 2003 Private Sector Housing Condition Survey</u> – The PFH was updated on the process undertaken in the award of the above contract and was advised that the tender has been awarded to Professional Partnership Services. They had begun work on the survey and were due to report in late June.

The PFH NOTED and endorsed the award of the tender to Professional Partnership Services.

Item 5: - <u>Arrangements made with Anglian Water plc for Sewer Baiting</u> – The Best Value review of Pest Control considered the issue of lack of sewer baiting and the resultant action plan required further negotiations to take place with Anglian Water. These discussions have been concluded and sewer baiting will commence in November 2003 at no additional cost to SCDC.

The PFH welcomed the news and the stance being taken by Anglian Water and NOTED the contents of the report.

Item 6: - Performance Report on the Refuse and Street Cleansing Service – April 2002 – February 2003 – The PFH considered the latest report and was pleased with the overall performance of the Refuse Collection Service. The PFH was, however, disappointed over the level of cleanliness throughout the District. He advised that he had noticed that the District had been looking particularly untidy over the past few months and that he had received many complaints from other members of the public and local MP, also highlighting this issue.

It was noted that street cleanliness was important within the CPA process and would be measured directly by the new Best Value Indicator BV199. The Best Value Review, due to commence soon, would need to consider what could be done to improve matters over the long term and a cleanliness strategy would be required to include cleaning schedules,

prevention education and promotion together with appropriate enforcement. In the meantime the PFH noted that the forthcoming fly tipping campaign would assist and requested that a meeting be arranged between the Commercial Director, Chief Environmental Health Officer and himself to discuss improvement measures that could be undertaken.

The PFH also requested that the future performance measures reflected the importance of effective litter picking rather than just inputs.

The PFH NOTED the report and requested the Chief EHO set up the meeting with the Commercial Director and himself.

Item 7: New Integrated Waste Service Update and Wheeled Bins in the front of dwellings – The PFH and Chief EHO discussed the issue of wheeled bin storage at some length but could not come up with a suitable and practical alternative to the current policy.

Item 8: - Request for Part Funding of Survey Works — The PFH AGREED to part fund Rampton Parish Council's flooding survey work to £300 and AGREED to help fund drainage works commissioned by West Wratting Parish Council to the amount of £266.67.

Item 9: Any Other Business

- a) <u>Hauxton</u> The PFH requested an update on the discussions with the Environment Agency over the Hauxton contaminated land issue. After being briefed, the PFH AGREED to write to Mr Elliott informing him of the timetable.
- b) <u>Investors In People</u> The PFH was advised that the Environmental Health Department is due to be re-assessed against the standard in May.
- c) <u>ALPHA Board</u> The PFH NOTED that the Chief EHO had been invited to be a member of the ALPHA Board.

Item 10: Date and Time of Next Meeting – MEF to make arrangements within the next two weeks for a meeting to take place in the week beginning 19 May 2003.

DECISIONS MADE BY PORTFOLIO HOLDERS

Decisions Made By Portfolio Holder For Housing

Subject	Decision	Reason
Housing Management	Ref: S/03/005	Mr and Mrs S require a management
Transfer	To award Mr & Mrs S a	transfer to more suitable
	Management Transfer	accommodation and an urgent move
		to Harston from Fowlmere.
Housing Management	Ref: S/03/004	Due to exceptional circumstances
Transfer for Special	To Award Mrs K a	Mrs K requires a management
Management Reasons	Management Transfer to a	transfer to a 2 bedroom non-
	2 Bedroom Non-Sheltered	sheltered bungalow.
	Bungalow	

GENERAL INFORMATION ITEMS

Grants Agreed by Community Development Partnerships Manager

Applicant	Description	Reason
Philip West	£500 Talented Young Sport	Funding towards a fencing course
(Toft)	Performer Grant (TYSP18)	in August to cover accommodation,
	for Fencing	coaching costs and travel.
Billy Irwin	£500 Talented Young Sport	Funding towards entry fees, travel
(Sawston)	Performer Grant (TYSP19)	and accommodation.
	for BMX racing	
Matthew Summers	£300 Talented Young Sport	Funding towards a Cricket tour in
(Hardwick)	Performer Grant (TYSP20)	Antigua which Mathew has been
	for Cricket	selected to attend to help develop
		his huge potential
Jemima Finkel	£500 Talented Young Sport	Funding towards travelling and
(Toft)	Performer Grant (TYSP21)	accommodation.
	for Rounders	

Applicant	Description	Reason
The Varrier-Jones	£1,000 Sports Development	To help assess the pitch
Foundation	Grant (PFAI 2) Funding	development needs for Papworth
	towards pitch assessment	Everard recreation ground, to help
	through the Playing Fields	secure funds for complete pitch
	Advice Initiative linked to	drainage through the (NOF) 'Green
	the main development of	Spaces' programme.
	the recreation ground.	

Grant Agreed by Conservation Manager

Applicants	Description of Grant Awarded
Ms V Swarbrick and	A Historic Buildings Grant (G/19/02) of £1108 (40%) for replacing
Mr. C Morris	5 Crittall windows with traditional horizontal sliding sashes and
	repairing 2 existing leaded light windows at 10 High Street,
	Cottenham.

Call-in Arrangements

The Chairman of the Scrutiny Committee or any five other Councillors may call in any executive decision recorded in this bulletin for review. The Committee Manager must be notified of any call in by **5pm Wednesday 16th April 2003**. All decisions not called in by this date may be implemented on Thursday 17th April 2003.

Any member considering calling in a decision made by Cabinet is requested to contact the Committee Section to determine whether any relevant amendments have been incorporated.

The call in procedure is set out in full in Part 4 of the Council's Constitution, 'Scrutiny Committee Procedure Rules', paragraph 12.