



# **SOUTH CAMBRIDGESHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL COUNCILLORS' BULLETIN – ISSUE DATE 27<sup>th</sup> AUGUST 2003**

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## IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR COUNCILLORS

<u>COMMITTEE MEETINGS</u>			
FROM 1 <sup>ST</sup> TO 5 <sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2003			
	<b>WEDNESDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> SEPTEMBER 2003</b>	<b>AT 10 AM</b>	<b>DEVELOPMENT AND CONSERVATION CONTROL COMMITTEE</b>
			<b>COUNCIL CHAMBER</b>
	<b>FRIDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2003</b>	<b>AT 10 AM</b>	<b>INFORMATION &amp; CUSTOMER SERVICES PORTFOLIO HOLDER</b>
			<b>ROOM 132</b>

### Training Course:

<b>Name of Course</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Date and Venue</b>
<p>There are 8 places available on a <b>Media Training</b> Course.</p> <p>Run by <b>John Venables</b> former BBC Radio Cambridgeshire and Look East presenter and producer. He will be supported by: <b>Chris Elliott</b>, news features editor of the Cambridge Evening News and <b>Nick Horrell</b>, a former BBC radio and television reporter.</p>	<p>Course will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• an insight into the workings of the Cambridge Evening News and other local newspapers and the demands and processes of radio and television news</li> <li>• an opportunity to try your hand at radio and TV interviews</li> </ul> <p>There will be a short briefing session at the end of the course on the new Media Protocols and Guidelines, this includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• information on responding to media inquiries</li> <li>• the role of the council's information service</li> <li>• how to complain about media coverage</li> </ul> <p>All attendees will be issued with a copy of this updated guide.</p>	<p>9.30am until 5pm on 8<sup>th</sup> October 2003 in Committee Room 1</p>

All Councillors are welcome to attend and should benefit from this useful and interesting course. Places will be allocated on a first come, first served basis.

Please contact Jo Fowler, communications officer on (01223) 443289 or email [joanne.fowler@scams.gov.uk](mailto:joanne.fowler@scams.gov.uk) by Monday 1 September if you would like to attend.

### European Mobility Management Awareness Day

As a member of Cambridgeshire's Travel for Work Partnership ([www.tfw.org.uk](http://www.tfw.org.uk)), the Council is taking part in the European Mobility Management Awareness (EMMA) Day on **Monday 22 September 2003**.

EMMA's main aim is to encourage people to leave their cars at home and commute using a more sustainable form of transport.

To qualify for a **FREE** lunch on all you have to do is commute to SCDC on 22 September by either:

- (A) using one of the City's Park and Ride sites
- (B) walking or cycling
- (C) using public transport
- (D) car sharing

As a further incentive, Cambridgeshire County Council and Stagecoach will provide **FREE** park and ride tickets for Council Members and staff who choose option A. In return, Stagecoach will provide you with a short questionnaire about your normal travel arrangements.

Should you wish to take part on EMMA Day, please email your reply by **Tuesday 26 August** so we can identify numbers for lunch and advise Stagecoach of our likely ticket allocation.

You don't often get a **FREE** lunch - but this is one!

Be part of the first ever EMMA Day!

For more information about EMMA Day please see the website at <http://www.emma-day.info/index.jsp> or contact Cameron Adams, Strategic Development Officer on (01223) 443135 or [cameron.adams@scambs.gov.uk](mailto:cameron.adams@scambs.gov.uk)

## **Police Community Support Officers (PCSOS)**

As you may be aware, the police are in the process of recruiting Police Community Support Officers across the County. The Constabulary made a comprehensive bid to the Home Office for PCSO funding and some funding is now secured, so a small number of PCSOs will be working within our communities from September 2003. Because of the huge interest in this initiative across the Country, the Police did not receive the full amount hoped for. The over subscription of bids is due to professional confidence in the scheme and the anticipated positive impact of PCSOs on community policing and reassurance. Therefore the Constabulary is keen to ensure that the community of South Cambs receive the benefit of this initiative. Southern Division are inviting South Cambs District Council and the parish councils in our area to supplement the funding already in place to buy more PCSOs.

Police Community Support Officers are support staff employed, directed and managed by the Police. They work alongside Police Officers to provide a visible and accessible uniformed presence to improve the quality of life in the community and offer greater public reassurance. They also work with partners and community organisations to address anti-social behaviour, the fear of crime, environmental issues and other factors, which affect the quality of people's lives. Police Community Support Officers will complement, not replace, existing police officers. They do not have full police powers, but some of the things they can do are: issue fixed penalty notices, (eg. for riding on footpaths, dog fouling or litter), confiscate alcohol or tobacco, enter a property to save a life or prevent a damage, demand the name and address of a person acting in an anti-social manner and remove abandoned vehicles.

More details on PCSOs can be obtained by contacting Tara Edwards on (01223) 724144 or e-mail [tara.edwards@scambs.co.uk](mailto:tara.edwards@scambs.co.uk)

## **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 **Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2003 at 5pm**. All decisions not called in by this date may be implemented on **Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> September 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.

## **OFFICER DECISIONS REPORTED FOR INFORMATION**

### **Grant Agreed by Community Development Partnerships Manager**

Applicant	Decision	Reason
Sophie Clark Age 12 from Linton	To award a £400 Talented Young Sports Performer Grant to support Sophie's diving and to enable her to increase her commitment to the sport	The grant will be used to fund the cost of Sophie attending competitions and more training sessions throughout Britain with the aim to attend the National age groups in 2004