

South Cambridgeshire District Council – Caldecote Ward

(comprises the Parishes of Caldecote, Childerley, Kingston, Bourn, Longstowe & Little Gransden)

Councillor's Monthly Report – June 2022

This report of previous month events is for all the Ward, so please be aware that some of the content may not be relevant to your particular Parish.

General

Please contact me with comments, questions, problems, reports, suggestions or complaints to do with SCDC services. These are housing need, housing repairs for council tenants, planning, benefits, council tax, bin collection, environmental health issues etc. Don't fight on your own. I am available to help you to get the best outcome possible for your situation.

Check out articles on my facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/itsCouncillorTumi> and my blog <http://www.TumiHawkins.org.uk>. What I post on there is my view and not LibDem or South Cambs official policy unless I state that it is.

District Council Administration 2022

The first Full Council of the new municipal year took place on Thursday 26 May 2022. The new Council Chairman and Vice Chairman were elected, the new cabinet was confirmed, and details of the portfolios can be found at <https://tumihawkins.org.uk/cabinet-confirmed-south-cambs-2022-annual-meeting/>. I am pleased to be back and continuing with the responsibility for Planning policy and Development control. The committee seats were also allocated and agreed, according to the political proportionality.

Cabinet/Parish Liaison Meeting

The first liaison meeting of the Cabinet with Parish Councils for the new municipal year is to take place on Monday 27th June 2022. This is the opportunity for Parish Councils to hear from Council Leader and Members of the Cabinet and to ask questions about any issues that is of interest or direct concern to communities. Please watch out for the invitation and do respond – I encourage all Parish Councils to select someone to attend.

Zero Carbon Communities Grant

Reminder that the grant is still open for applications. Community groups can apply for funding up to £15,000 for projects which (1) reduce carbon emissions or (2) engages communities on Climate change. Visit this webpage on SCDC website <https://www.scams.gov.uk/climate-emergency-and-nature/zero-carbon-communities/zero-carbon-communities-grant/> for details or contact zcc@scams.gov.uk. **Deadline for applications is 5pm on Friday 17 June 2022.**

Planning Policy & Delivery and Building Control

Development Management Area Team restructure

The Area Team structure we have been working with is shown on the GCSPPS website at <https://greatercambridgeplanning.org/about-us/contact-us/development-management-area-teams/> with Caldecote Ward villages being in Area 3. Due to the unexpected loss of two senior planners (down to ill-health), the teams are now temporarily moving from three to two, namely Area West and Area East. Caldecote Ward villages will be in Area West. Remember that the Area Team Leader is your first port of call for planning issues that may be of concern, and are available to offer advice and assistance to Parish Councils.

The quarterly meetings previously scheduled for mid June have been cancelled and a new date will

be rescheduled once the new restructure takes effect. Please watch out for the formal notifications and again do make a point of attending as it is good forum to find out about planning issues.

A428 Development Community Forums (Cambourne and Bourn Airfield)

The economy of South Cambridgeshire is growing, which is why the level of development set out in Local Plans is increasing, to cater for the needs of the district and for the businesses. For our part of the district, the 2018 Local Plan set major sites at Cambourne West and Bourn Airfield. Work on Cambourne West is well under way, but none has started in Bourn Airfield. The Community forums have been set up as a means of providing relevant information on the work going on in those sites, and to hear from neighbouring communities any issues of concern. The forums are separate for Cambourne West and Bourn Airfield, running back-to-back on the same day. The next meetings is Wednesday 6th July 2022. I encourage all Parish Councils, especially Caldecote and Bourn to please put this date in your diary to attend. You can read more about the forums at <https://www.scamb.gov.uk/community-safety-and-health/community-forums/>

Transport

EWR South Cambridgeshire West Local Representatives Group

EWR have now set the date for the next meeting of the South Cambridgeshire West Local Representatives Group to 11th July at 5.30pm. It will be a hybrid meeting, both in-person at the Cambridge Belfry in Cambourne, and a virtual zoom option for those that cannot attend in person. The South West group's "community hub site" is at <https://communityhub.eastwestrail.co.uk/lrg-southcambswest> where you can read the meeting notes/minutes and other relevant documents. The registered representatives should have had their email notifications already. If you cannot attend, then send a substitute but notify EWR.

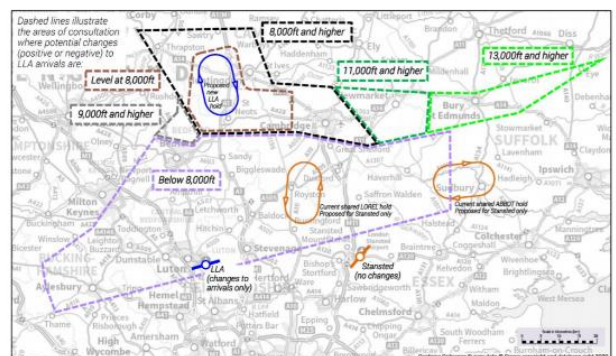
Greater Cambridge Partnership – Cambourne to Cambridge Busway Consultation

The Greater Cambridge Partnership (GCP) has announced its latest consultation for the Cambourne to Cambridge (C2C) Better Public Transport Project taking place from 16 May to 11 July 2022. This public transport route is to link Cambourne to Cambridge via the new Bourn Airfield development, a new Travel Hub at Scotland Farm, through Hardwick and West Cambridge campus via a dedicated busway. In addition, active travel path for pedestrians, cyclists and horse riders is proposed to run alongside and connect with other routes in the area.

Residents in Bourn and Caldecote are particularly affected by this project, and I will encourage you to read the leaflet that GCP has sent to households in the area. You should respond to the consultation which focuses primarily on the Environmental Impact Assessment identifying the impacts of the scheme on the area and how to mitigate it. I have already raised concerns about a wrong map in the consultation document and it has been corrected. I encourage parish councils, especially Bourn and Caldecote to respond. I will also submit comments on your behalf so feel free to contact me and check my blog for updates

Luton Airport Flight Path and Holding Area change

Some of you would have seen more large commercial aeroplanes and more air traffic trails across the skies over our ward villages, right across from Caldecote to Little Gransden. In some areas, many have reported increased level of aircraft noise too. The reason is that in February this year, London Luton Airport (LLA) changed its arrival paths and holding area for flights into Luton.



The Civil Aviation Authority (CAA) approved the airspace change in November 2021 following an extensive public consultation that took place from October 2020 to February 2021. In my monthly report at the time, I advised parish councils of the consultation and encouraged them to respond, and they did. The consultation had shown that flights would be above 8,000 ft in most and 9,000ft in some areas above our ward. Unfortunately, that is not what is happening now.

I am now working with a group of concerned residents across our Ward and Huntingdonshire, collating noise data and Parish Councils so we can raise a formal objection to the CAA and LLA. We are also holding a public meeting on Tuesday **5th July, 7.30pm at Little Gransden Village Hall** which I encourage those affected to attend

Health and Wellbeing

The Action for Happiness theme for this month is **Joyful June**. The calendar is at <https://www.actionforhappiness.org/calendar>. This month's focus is "Let's look for what's good".

Project Catalyst-Community groups Has the lockdown period given you new ideas and opportunities to form a new community led group, and you want to continue doing that in a more organised and structured way. Then Project Catalyst can offer practical help, guidance, and funding to allow you to do this. Grants of up to £300 are available for ideas or groups like walking or fitness group, creative groups, peer support group for people with shared interest or health concerns, allotment or gardening group, or any other activity you came up with. For more information, call the Care network on 03300 945750 or email wellbeing@care-network.org.uk

The Queen's Baton Relay is coming to South Cambridgeshire

Remember the Queen's Baton Relay for Birmingham 2022 Commonwealth Games is coming to South Cambridgeshire. Join us for the Science & Sport Fun Day at the Wellcome Genome Campus, Hinxton, CB10 1SA on Saturday 9 July from 12:30pm to 7:30pm and to welcome the Queen's Baton Relay at approximately 3pm. On completion of its route, the baton will have travelled 90,000 miles and visited 72 nations and territories. There will be a range of local entertainment, locally-sourced food and crafts, fairground rides and lots of science and sporting activities. A family fun run with races throughout the afternoon is available to book – don't forget your trainers!

This is an environmentally friendly event – please remember to bring your re-usable water bottle to fill up during the day. Accessible parking only is available at the [Wellcome Genome Campus](#) – blue badge holders will be required to display their badge. All other parking is available at the [Babraham Research Campus](#) and a free park and ride service for the 10 minute journey will be in operation every 20 to 30 minutes. The first bus will leave Babraham at 12:15pm and buses will run until the end of the event. Pedestrian access to the event is available for those within walking distance of the Campus. Please note that no dogs are allowed, and members of the media plus a photographer will be capturing the event. If you do not wish to have your photograph taken at the event, please let a steward know on the day. We look forward to seeing you there!

Further details at <https://www.scams.gov.uk/birmingham-2022-queen-s-baton-relay-to-visit-wellcome-genome-campus-as-full-england-route-revealed/>.

Monkey Pox

The UK Health Security Agency (UKHSA) has announced that monkeypox is to be listed as a notifiable disease. Legislation has been laid which will make monkeypox a notifiable infectious disease under the Health Protection (Notification) Regulations 2010 from 8 June. This means all doctors in England are required to notify their local council or local Health Protection Team (HPT) if they suspect a patient has monkeypox. To date, the UKHSA announced that it has detected 73 additional cases of monkeypox in England, two additional cases in Scotland and two in Wales. This

brings the total number confirmed in the UK to 302 as of 5 June. There are currently 287 confirmed cases in England, 10 in Scotland, 2 in Northern Ireland and 3 in Wales. Please be careful out there <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/monkeypox-cases-confirmed-in-england-latest-updates>

Coronavirus

Covid19 is still out there, as infection rates in this area are still high. Please stay safe. Keep the **Hands – Face – Space - Fresh Air** maxim as much as you can.

Local Issues

Jubilee Celebrations

Congratulations and well done to all the event organisers for the range of celebration events that took place from Thursday 2nd June through to Sunday 6th June to celebrate the Platinum Jubilee.

Casework

Please do feel free to contact me with comments, questions, problems, reports, suggestions or complaints to do with SCDC services. I will help as best I can

You will find the current and past reports at <https://tumihawkins.org.uk/2021-22-monthly-reports/>. Feel free to read, share and/or download.

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