South Cambridgeshire District Council – Caldecote Ward

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

Councillor's Monthly Report – July 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 https://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.

Planning Policy & Delivery and Building Control

GC Brownfield Register

The Greater Cambridge Brownfield Register was updated and published last month. This is in line with Government requirement in Planning Practice Guidance. This is to provide up-to-date and consistent information on sites that local authorities consider to be previously developed land that are appropriate for residential development. It contains details of about 90 sites in each of Cambridge and South Cambridgeshire. Recent planning decisions have been examined to identify new entries for the Register. The final register includes only sites with planning permission or allocations in the adopted plans

A428 Development Community Forums (Cambourne and Bourn Airfield)

Thank you to all those that attended this forum meeting. There were useful presentations from the NHS representatives who talked about how new residents in Cambourne West can get registered with local surgeries. There is no immediate plan for new dentists in the area. The presentation from GCP explained the status of the Cambourne to Cambridge busway. Highways England talked about the A428 Upgrade from Black Cat to Caxton Gibbett, whilst the County Transport talked about the overall upgrades for walking, cycling and busway along the corridor. The recording will be made available on the council website within 10 days.

Greater Cambridge Local Plan Update

The GCSPS published the comments that we received during the First Proposals consultation that took place early 2021. The proposals included 19 new sites for homes and business space, the majority of extra development proposed for North East Cambridge (NEC), Cambridge Airport (Marshalls) site and at Cambourne (Broad location).

The response was quite good with more than 5,500 answers or comments made by around 600 people, using the quick questionnaire. A further 4,100 comments came from approximately 625 different people or organisations as captured on the webpage designed for the more in-depth responses. There were 5,665 unique pageviews of the Local Plan webpage on the GCSPS website. 30 online or in-person events held during the consultation period, such as drop-in events at community centres, forums and webinars.

40 new sites were submitted by land owners, but those are being analysed as we did for the previously submitted 650+, and they have no planning status whatsoever.

Business Support

One of the Council's objectivess is to work with parish councils, local communities, and businesses to help establish and expand local markets within the South Cambridgeshire, as well as finding additional opportunities for businesses to trade. We have now developed

- 1. a market specific webpage that contains a Market Toolkit at https://www.scambs.gov.uk/business/south-cambridgeshire-markets/market-toolkit/ for anyone thinking about setting up a market within their village
- 2. An online Trader Directory at https://www.scambs.gov.uk/business/south-cambridgeshire-markets/stallholder-directory/ that helps to link market organisers and market traders alike and to help identify additional trading opportunities in the South Cambridgeshire District.

We encourage Parish Councils to share these webpages to help increase public interest and shopping local for small businesses. If you want to set one up, then please contact the team by email at businesskeyprojects@scambs.gov.uk.

Transport

REMINDER: EWR South Cambridgeshire West Local Representatives Group

EWR date for the next meeting of the South Cambridgeshire West Local Representatives Group is on 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. The community hub site has more details and is at https://communityhub.eastwestrail.co.uk/lrg-southcambswest. Again, I encourage Parish Councils that are likely to be affected to attend.

REMINDER: Greater Cambridge Partnership – Cambourne to Cambridge Busway Consultation

The Greater Cambridge Partnership (GCP) consultation for the Cambourne to Cambridge (C2C) Better Public Transport Project is ending on 11 July 2022.

I am reminding Parish Councils to respond, in particular Bourn and Caldecote.

Combined Authority – Local Transport Plan Consultation

The Local Transport and Connectivity Plan (LTCP) is the Combined Authority's long-term strategy to improve transport in Cambridgeshire & Peterborough. The results from this are to be used to update the region's first Local Transport Plan that was put in place in early 2020. It took over from the County Transport Plan of 2014 that included the creation of the Cambourne to Cambridge Busway. You can read the draft plan and respond to the consultation on the website at https://yourltcp.co.uk/. Consultation end date is 4th August 2022. Do have your say.

Luton Airport Flight Path and Holding Area change

Thank you to all those who attended the first meeting on 5th of July. It was standing room only at the venue, with over 150 in attendance and some online too. Many communities are suffering the effect from the flight path changes, including from Caldecote, Bourn, Kingston, Longstowe and Little Gransden.

There is a facebook group now set up called RELAS and please can join at https://www.facebook.com/groups/1387554411749774 so you can follow the updates and contribute your experiences.

On it you can find directions on how to complain directly to Luton by emailing noise@ltn.aero giving the date, time and location of the incident and describing why/how the noise affected you. Make sure to include your name, address and postcode or else the complaint won't be logged. Also

copy in your parish council, district and county councillor so they are aware of the complaint. Copy in the South Cambs MP too or arrange to attend his surgery.

You can gather flight information using https://www.flightradar24.com or Luton Travis https://travisltn.topsonic.aero (complaints can be submitted through this one too).

Environmental Health Services

Bin Collections: The Greater Cambridge Waste team continue to work hard to ensure bins are collected despite the challenges that now exist with getting HGV drivers and agency drivers! Please report any missed collections immediate on https://www.scambs.gov.uk/report/ as that is the best way to get it registered for collection.

The second fully electric bin lorry came into service in June. It is a Faun Zoeller E-Rotopress which has a round tanker shape, and a press that squeezes the waste and so can collect more than the standard waste lorries. Read more at https://www.scambs.gov.uk/greater-cambridge-s-second-electric-bin-lorry-arrives-as-zero-carbon-fleet-drive-continues/

Health and Wellbeing

The Action for Happiness theme for this month at https://www.actionforhappiness.org/calendar. is **Jump Back Up July.** This month's focus is "Let's find ways to bounce back".

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.

Casework

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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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