

<p>101 To receive reports from County and District Councillors. 101.1 County Councillor Daunton issued the attached report and went through the highlights. 101.2 District Councillors Williams and Daunton issued the attached joint report. 101.3 District Councillor Cone issued the attached report.</p>	<p>1448</p>
<p>102 To approve the minutes of the last meeting. The Minutes were accepted as a true record and signed by the Chairman.</p>	
<p>103 Matters arising from the last meeting. 103.1 <u>Ida Darwin</u>. This application is on the 19/01/22 Planning Committee agenda at SCDC, Cambourne and Cllr Smith will attend.</p>	<p>DS</p>
<p>103.2 <u>Mobile Speeding Device</u>. This will shortly be moved to Hinton Road. 103.4 <u>Swifts Play Area</u>. Work was due to commence in December 2021 but so far nothing has happened. Cllr Johnson advised there had been flooding issues especially on Boxing Day which he had reported to Accent Group. Cllr Drage said many of the concerns raised by the PC had not been acknowledged, so the PC Working Party will meet to draft a letter to Accent with all the outstanding issues. Cllr Drage will speak to James Fisher, SCDC S106 Officer too.</p>	<p>PCWP</p>
<p>103.5 <u>Toddler Friendly Play Equipment</u>. Cllr Bilboa is hoping to meet Steve Taylor from FISSC next week to discuss land adjacent to Fulbourn Hub. An initial enquiry for funding has been discussed with the Wright’s Clock Tower Fund Trustees.</p>	<p>JB</p>
<p>103.6 <u>Queen’s Green Canopy</u>. Cllr Ward met Michael Downs who recommended planting a vertical Pear Tree in the entrance to The Haven, but Mr Downs felt there wasn’t enough room for more trees in the wildlife area.</p>	<p>JG Clerk</p>
<p>Thought was given about celebrating the Queen’s Platinum Jubilee after a parishioner had offered to have the Horse Pond sign lit up and possibly planting more trees. The actual sign needs replacing and a plaque could also be erected to make this a commemorative Jubilee event. Cllr Roberts will liaise with Fulbourn Primary School and Fulbourn Arts to see what plans they have. Cllr Cone said some villages are holding street parties and handing out coins to the children. Cllr Thorn said this year’s Feast could be entitled the Fulbourn Jubilee Feast and Cllr Drage said we could hold an official opening of Fulbourn Hub during the June bank holiday weekend inviting someone to come and officiate at the ceremony. Cllr Thorn said one possibility was to ask a representative from the Lord Lieutenant’s Office.</p>	<p>RR</p>
<p>104 Neighbourhood Plan. The Regulation 16 Consultation ends on 18/01/22. Cllr Williams advised SCDC were in favour of the NP. The PC supports SCDC’s recommendation and SCDC has duly appointed an Inspector.</p>	
<p>105 Minutes of a Planning Meeting held on 04/01/2022. New Application: 21/05446/FUL Location: Land at 92 Pierce Lane Proposal: Erection of bungalow with integral garage. Fulbourn Parish Council objects to this application as it is overdevelopment in a Conservation Area. It is not in keeping with the Village Design Statement and makes no reference to the heritage design.</p>	
<p>106 Tree works: 22/0008/TTPO, Herrings House, Wilbraham Road – 2 Ash Trees, one partially lift roof plate; fell second on edge of the ditch to ground level. No comment. Disclaimer: Fulbourn Parish Council Tree Officer and the Parish Council accept no liability for the advice given above.</p>	

107 Correspondence.

- 107.1 **SCDC** – Notification that a T.P.O. (Tree Preservation Order) has been placed on a Tree of Heaven located in Home End.
- 107.2 **CCC** – 6th Annual Cambridgeshire Local Councils Conference, Virtual meeting on Friday, 14th January 2022 10am – 4pm. Cllr Drage has registered to attend.
- 107.3 **SCDC** – Green Connect Networking Event, Monday, 3rd December 2021, 7.30pm – 9pm, virtual meeting.
- 107.4 **CAPALC** – Information regarding the Household Support Fund funded by the Department of Work and Pensions which runs until 31st March 2022.
- 107.5 **Townley Trust** – AGM, 19th January 2022. Cllr Johnson to attend.
- 107.6 **CCC** – Cambridgeshire Matters, December 2021 newsletter.
- 107.7 **CCC** – Celebrating Her Majesty The Queen’s Platinum Jubilee; communities encouraged to participate in next year’s celebrations. February agenda.
- 107.8 **Fulbourn Arts** – December 2021 newsletter.
- 107.9 **Camcycle** – Update including information on the new “Cyclops” junction at Histon Road; the Zero Carbon Streets and Save our Cycles campaigns. Also the Chisholm Trail is now open.
- 107.10 **CCC** – Think Communities newsletter.
- 107.11 **CCC** – Manor Walk closed between 31/1/22 – 4/2/22 for foot way resurfacing; PC website updated.
- 107.12 **CCC** – Information regarding the “Celebrating Cambridgeshire Day”; an event to be held on 23rd June 2022 at the July Racecourse, Newmarket.
- 107.13 **Arthritis Action** – Register to join Online Groups to meet others, share tips and learn about self-management techniques.
- 107.14 **SCDC** – Zero Green Connect, next online community networking event will be on Thursday, 13th January 2022 focusing on Food, Sustainability and Community.
- 107.15 **Fulbourn Arts** – January 2022 newsletter.
- 107.16 **SCDC** – CCVS (Cambridge Council for Voluntary Services) is arranging two online events providing information for anyone interested in volunteering at various events.
- 107.17 **SCDC, Communities Duty** – Covid community update on LFT (Lateral Flow Tests).
- 107.18 **CCC** – IHMC (Integrated Highways Management Centre), December 2021 Incident Report.
- 107.19 **Clerks & Councils Direct** – January 2022 magazine.
- 107.20 **CCC** – Road Victims Trust, Annual Report.
- 107.21 **CAPALC** – January 2022 Bulletin.

KJ

108 To resolve the accounts for the month.

BT: Mobile phone.....29.52	TH Tree Surgery: Open Spaces.....1,728.00
Barclays: Monthly fees.....13.38	Shopper Bus: December 2021.....220.00
Zoom: Monthly fee.....14.39	HP: Ink supplies.....3.49R
e-on: Hub gas.....220.55	Cleaner Windows: Swifts.....30.00
e-on: Hub electricity.....121.64	Furnleaf: Grass cutting and various.....4,182.00
Sharp: Monthly fee & copies....30.25	NPower: Street lighting.....349.84
BT: Mobile phone.....29.52	e-on: Pavilion gas.....391.81
Wages: Pavilion Cleaner.....102.00	Wages: Clerk + expenses.....1,182.82
Wages: Swifts Cleaner.....184.00	Wages: Hub Cleaner.....72.00

Cllr Thorn proposed passing the accounts, proposal seconded by Cllr Johnson and agreed by the Council.

109 Recreation Ground car park potholes.

To infill the potholes Cllr Ward suggested using planings, but these will not be available until April/May, and Cllr Daunton will make enquiries on behalf of the PC.

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110 Council Committees and Remote Meetings.

110.1 Cambridgeshire Constabulary. Cllr Ward attended the remote meeting where people complained that 101 calls took too long to answer, concerns about speeding and lack of police presence in villages.

110.2 Health Centre Working Party. The next meeting will be held later this month.

110.3 Precept. Minutes of the meeting held on 05/01/2022 are attached.

111 To receive items for inclusion on the next Agenda for decision and/or action.

Queen's Platinum Jubilee.

There was no further business and the meeting closed at 9.10pm

Attached reports:

Item 101.1**Fulbourn Division: County Councillor Report to Parish Councils for January 2022****Covid-19 (NB: this information will change by the time of the meeting on 12th January)**

Cambridgeshire and Peterborough's Enhanced Response Area status was extended to Christmas Eve. The extra resource included a rapid response vaccination team on the ground locally, making direct contact with households

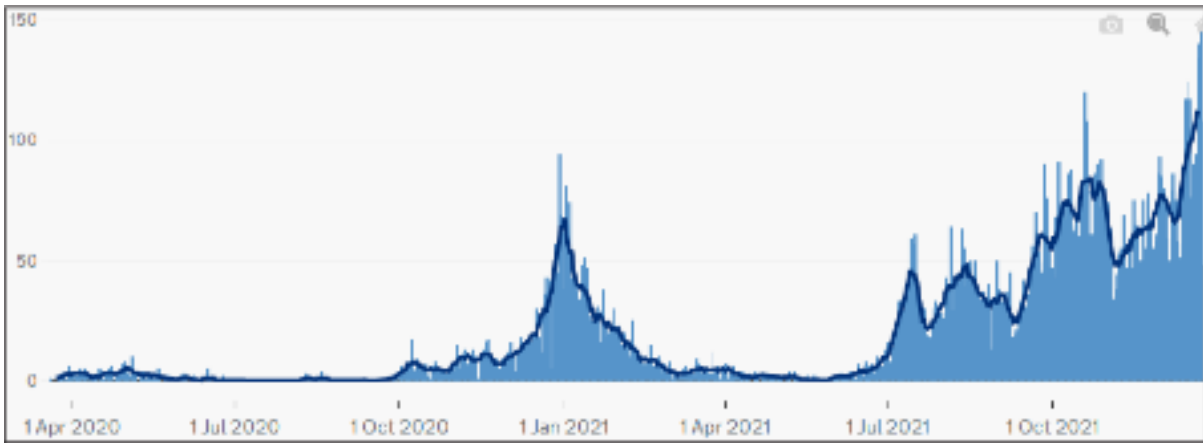
in areas of low vaccination uptake, and extra national communications advising residents on protective measures to prevent infection spread.

"Pre-ERA we were considerably below both the England and East of England average for the numbers of 12–15 year-olds who were vaccinated. Now all areas in Cambridgeshire are above the England average and most are also above the East of England average too"

Jyoti Atri, Director of Public Health for Cambridgeshire & Peterborough

Case rates in Cambridgeshire

As of 30 December, there were 13,099 people in East Cambridgeshire who had tested positive, though there has been a shortage of testing capacity (see below). The daily rate of fresh cases was 149.



Vaccinations

For availability at vaccination centres, please see:

[The Vaccinators | COVID-19 Vaccination Centres | Cambridgeshire and Peterborough](#)

The Grafton Centre (daily walk-ins 08:30 - 4pm and Tues and Weds until 7.30pm). In addition, Chesterton Indoor Bowls Club, Over Healthcare and the Village Pharmacy, Fulbourn, which are all taking bookings for

- 1st and 2nd doses for people aged 12 years old and over
- [3rd doses for people with a severely weakened immune system](#) aged 18 years old and over
- boosters for people aged 18 years old and over
- boosters for people aged 16 and 17 years old who are at [high risk from COVID-19](#) or frontline health and social care workers

If you are unable to book an appointment online please call 119.

Testing

General Covid information

- <https://twitter.com/CambsCC>
- <https://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/residents/coronavirus/coronavirus-covid-19-overview>
- <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/coronavirus-vaccination/coronavirus-vaccine>

Community Fund: deadline for applications of 1st February 2022

Twenty-four community organisations across Cambridgeshire have benefited this year from a fund set up to better equip communities and organisations to support local residents. Twenty four organisations have received a total of £276,352. The **Innovate and Cultivate Fund** helps voluntary, community and social enterprise organisations to set up special projects which support and benefit local communities. For example, one organisation to have benefited is Mepal Makers which has created a Community Workshop in Mepal. The project makes, repairs, recycles and upcycles to improve the mental health of older men, increase resilience and fostering inter-generational community links. Waterbeach and Landbeach Action for Youth also received funding for its youth club. This allowed the group to gain match funding from Waterbeach Parish Council and together the two funds have enabled it to employ a part time community youth worker and increase delivery of services.

In the latest round of grants announced last month, nine Cambridgeshire groups have received combined funding of nearly £50,000. They are:

- C3 Church
- Cam Sight
- Haddenham Arts Centre CIC
- Headway Cambridgeshire
- Kings Hedges Family Support Project
- Ramsey Neighbourhoods Trust
- St Peter's Church Yaxley
- The Edmund Trust
- Young People's Counselling Service

At a recent committee meeting the decision was made to incorporate an awareness of inclusion, biodiversity and climate change into future project criteria. Changes also agreed by committee included seeking to increase the number of projects which will support anti-poverty as well as providing more support with the application process for community groups. This fund also supports vulnerable groups, reducing loneliness and increasing independence. There is still funding available so do encourage groups to get in touch if they have a project which they think the fund could support.

The next application round closes on 1st February 2022. You can find more information about the scheme as well as grant application forms and criteria at <http://www.cambscf.org.uk/icf.html>

Testing The end of December has seen many residents struggling to obtain lateral flow home testing kits, and shortage of PCR testing capacity across the whole of England. At the time of writing it is still not possible to order lateral flow testing kits for home delivery. <https://www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests>

Household Support Fund

A reminder that the County Council's Household Support Fund is still open (to 31 March). It offers:

- Support with food, household energy and other essentials for individuals and families: residents are eligible to access this support if they earn less than £17,940 per year, or are in receipt of certain state benefits
- Direct food vouchers: as in previous school holidays, supermarket vouchers will be issued to families meeting the low income criteria for free school meals, funded childcare for two-year-olds, early years pupil premium, or sixth form students eligible for free school meals.

www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/residents/coronavirus/household-support-fund

Combating Climate Change: draft strategy and action plan

When it comes to climate change, setting targets is easy - achieving them is more challenging.

A new draft strategy and action plan for Cambridgeshire is all about cutting carbon emissions before it's too late to prevent severe climate impacts. And as a low-lying area, flood risk and rising sea levels are real future risks for the county's communities too.

The County Council's Environment and Green Investment Committee has agreed steps on how the council will deliver on its commitments, work with the Combined Authority's Climate Commission and district council partners, and respond to the inevitable future challenges by setting:

- A new ambition for Cambridgeshire to reach net zero emissions by 2045.
- An organisational target for the county council to reach Net Zero by 2030.
- The need for the council and others to engage, support and collaborate with its communities, partners and businesses to make positive changes themselves.

Tackling climate change is the Joint Administration's top priority which is why this updated strategy commits to leading the way for a fundamental shift in the way the council, its partners and communities work to reduce the impacts of climate change.

Since the council declared a Climate Emergency in 2019 awareness and understanding of the risks we face when it comes to the impact of climate change has grown. The evidence is clear. The strategy commits the council to focussing its efforts in three key areas - reducing carbon emissions, supporting the development of resilient communities so that they can adapt to the impacts of climate change, and to supporting nature and biodiversity to thrive. Focusing on these areas will deliver social, economic, environmental and health benefits for people, businesses, and communities in Cambridgeshire.

As part of the council's plan to achieve net-zero for direct emissions by 2030, the draft strategy sets out how the council will meet that deadline by, for example:

- Delivering low carbon transport solutions for fleet vehicles
- Delivering net zero carbon buildings and generate renewable energy from our assets
- Improving the management of our open spaces to increase biodiversity

The strategy also commits to halving indirect emissions through the council's supply chains by 2030 and sets out how it will work in partnership with the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority's Climate Commission and district partners to bring actions together to align work programmes. It also identifies how it will collaborate with businesses and communities and support all sectors to understand how they can reduce carbon emissions, benefit nature and take positive climate action.

The draft Cambridgeshire Net Zero emission by 2045 Strategy can be read on the council's website [here](#).

Flood Risk Management: deadline for responses of 23rd January 2022

Residents are being invited to have their say on plans to help reduce the risk of flooding in Cambridgeshire over the next six years. As a Lead Local Flood Authority, Cambridgeshire County Council is responsible for developing, maintaining and applying a local flood risk management strategy (LFRMS) for the county.

The key objectives of the strategy are; understanding flood risk in Cambridgeshire, managing the likelihood of flooding, helping residents to manage their own risk, ensuring appropriate development in Cambridgeshire and improving flood prediction, warning and post flood recovery.

The council's current LFRMS now requires updating and the new strategy will cover 2021 to 2027. Before the strategy is agreed by council members, residents are invited to have their say as part of a six-week consultation. Following the flooding that occurred in winter 2020/21, officers agreed that there needs to be greater clarity on the roles of each flood risk management authority and this has been incorporated into the new strategy. There is also increased reference to owners of properties featuring watercourses and community involvement.

The public consultation runs until 23 January 2021. Residents can have their say by visiting ([Consult Cambridgeshire | Homepage \(engagementhq.com\)](#)). Residents can check their flood risk by using the online flood maps to check whether they're at risk of flooding at <https://www.gov.uk/check-flooding>

Transport: Guided Busway

Following a tragic accident, the County Council will be temporarily closing a section of the Guided Busway in one direction, between Cambridge Railway Station and Addenbrooke's Hospital. The inbound only track (closest to the maintenance track) will be closed. The busway will be used outbound from the railway station to Addenbrooke's and then inbound buses will use Hills Road on the return journey. This follows continuing communications with the Health and Safety Executive (HSE) and as part of our continuous review of safety on the busway.

The county has taken the difficult decision to close part of the southern section of the Guided Busway while waiting for the outcome of the independent safety review [of the whole track] following continuing communications with the HSE... This is a temporary measure while the review is carried out. When the recommendations of that review are received, County will consider carefully any future actions required."

Footpath repairs in Fulbourn

The programme of proposed footpath repairs for Fulbourn is in train. These include works to surfaces alongside Balsham Road, Manor Walk, Haggis Gap, Pierce Lane and Cow Lane. Work will be programmed in over the next year or more, depending on the weather, availability of materials and workforce. Balsham Road and Manor Walk are amongst the first of the areas on the programme

The type of repair depends on the damage to the surface of the footpath; for some repairs road closures will be necessary. These will be advised through the County's Street works team

Claire Daunton

Item 101.2

Report of Councillor Claire Daunton and Councillor John Williams to Fulbourn Parish Council for January 2022.

This report contains factual information which we hope will be of use and of interest to the parish council and to the wider community of the parish.

*For queries please email us at cllr.daunton@scamb.gov.uk;
cllr.williamsjg@scamb.gov.uk*

News specific to Fulbourn

The SCDC street lights in Cow Lane and Stonebridge Lane are planned to be replaced with new ornate LED lights in the week commencing 17 January.

Proposed relocation of Cambridge Water treatment Works to Honey Hill

We attended the Anglian Water Community Working Group meetings in December and together with other community representatives including parish councillors we pressed again on the issue of the access route wanting direct access from the A14 for both construction and operational traffic, as well as on the towers and the bund and landscaping issues.

Changes to bin collections over Christmas and New Year

The South Cambridgeshire and Cambridge City Shared Waste Service had to react quickly just before Christmas to meet unprecedented absenteeism by drivers and loaders by reducing the planned bin collection dates for the Christmas and New Year period.

In particular the non-statutory green bin collections were suspended from Monday 13 December 2021 because of the number of drivers and loaders absent particularly with Coronavirus or due to self-isolating. As we write they are planned to resume on Wednesday 12 January 2022.

As is always the case during the festive period, there will be alterations to bin collection days as hard-working crews enjoy a break. All collections from Monday 27 December through to Friday 21 January are at least one day later than usual due to the Bank Holidays.

Details of the changes were published on the Council's website and its social media platforms and by the news media; and we are grateful for local community social media broadcasting the changes.

More community funding from South Cambs

Eligible South Cambridgeshire community groups which work to improve the quality of life for local residents can now apply for double the amount of grant help from the Council's Community Chest scheme.

Not-for-profit voluntary and community sector groups, charities, small Parish Councils or meetings and public sector bodies can now request small grants of up to £2,000, increased from £1,000, for help in covering one-off costs relating to a project or activity.

This can be for improvements to community buildings and spaces such as village halls, pavilions or play areas; repairs to historic buildings, monuments or memorials; equipment or capital purchases or materials; or 'Start-up' costs such as training of staff and volunteers, hall hire and other revenue costs.

To be eligible, projects should be promoting healthy and active communities, enabling inclusive communities or helping to develop skills, enhancing the natural environment, meeting a local need and leaving a legacy for the community, and ensuring equality of access.

The Council is also putting £50,000 into a rolling fund for two years for grants for villages who want to develop a community-led plan, with the money to be earmarked for the initial development costs - such as printing, the delivery of surveys and costs involved in holding public meetings - rather than delivering the project. This is open to all Parish Councils.

The Council's Wildlife Enhancement Scheme has also been incorporated and will be administered as part of the Community Chest grant scheme. This 'ring-fenced' purse of

£10,000 annually will be used for Biodiversity projects which enhance the living environment around the district.

For details about all the grants available from South Cambs go to:

<https://www.scambs.gov.uk/search/?query=grants>

South Cambridgeshire wins funding for home heating schemes

SCDC has been awarded funding from the Department of Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy (BEIS) as part of the government's Sustainable Warmth Scheme. The Sustainable Warmth Scheme brings together Green Homes Grant Local Authority Delivery, Phase 3 (LAD3) and the slightly more generous, off-gas-only Home Upgrade Grant, Phase 1 (HUG1) to support low-income households living in hard-to-heat private-sector homes by installing energy efficiency measures and low carbon heating.

The award is as a result of a consortium bid from the Cambridgeshire local authorities led by Cambridge City Council and is for a total of £6,464,998 to support improvements to 398 properties in Cambridgeshire. Approximately £1,300,000 has been allocated for 81 properties in South Cambs, of which 20 will be on-gas and 61 off gas.

The scheme will be delivered by the Cambridgeshire consortium working in partnership with contractors from April 2022 through to March 2023. To be eligible, households will be required to have a maximum household income of £30,000, and the property will need to have an EPC rating of E, F or G. SCDC will be adopting a whole house, fabric first approach with the aim of increasing EPC ratings to C where feasible, drawing in additional funding from other sources (e.g. ECO) where possible.

Watch out for the press release on behalf of all the Cambridgeshire Local Authorities via the County Council along with details of how households can register their interest.

More Government Covid help for businesses

Businesses in the hospitality and leisure sectors in England are now eligible for a one-off grant of between £2,700- £6,000 depending on premises rateable value from the Government which has also announced that additional discretionary funding will be made available for Councils to support other businesses affected.

As soon as SCDC receives further detail on eligibility criteria and total allocation, it will update its website and comms channels further with policy and application details/process. SCDC is also awaiting confirmation of when the funds will be sent through. Guidance from Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy will be required before software can be developed and policies written.

SCDC is aware of the urgency to deliver financial support to businesses and are putting plans in place to allocate this funding as soon as possible. However, at present a firm date when this money will be distributed to local businesses. Best guess is currently businesses will be able to start applying during the latter part of January / early February for the reasons mentioned above.

The Government has also given guidance regarding a new Business Rates relief scheme – the Coronavirus Additional Relief Fund (CARF), along with a funding allocation of up to £6.3m for SCDC. The guidance sets a new local relief scheme to distribute the funding, which is available to reduce the 2021/22 Business Rates bill.

The guidance states that the scheme should:

- Not award relief to ratepayers that are, or would have been, eligible for the Extended Retail, Hospitality and Leisure Discount, or the Nursery Discount
- Not award relief in respect of a property when it is unoccupied
- Direct support towards ratepayers who have been adversely affected by the pandemic and have been unable to adequately adapt to that impact.

SCDC is currently exploring options for scheme design to ensure support is targeted to those impacted, and will then need to turn its attention to the administrative details. This is a considerable piece of work and it may take some weeks before the scheme is launched. Please be assured that the Council will endeavour to launch the scheme as soon as possible.

Details of both schemes are on the South Cambs' website which will be updated as more information becomes available.

Covid puts pressure on Cambridgeshire Home Improvement Agency

We would like to make you aware of the pressures and challenges Cambridgeshire Home Improvement Agency are continuing to experience as a result of Covid. In particular the availability of contractors to carry out works is proving to be very difficult at the moment, with issues over recruitment of workmen and the lack of supplies of building materials and equipment.

To help the team manage caseloads and ensure that quality of works is not compromised, a 'Waiting List' approach is being introduced as a temporary measure. This will mean that applications received will be prioritised to the most urgent, with the remainder of applications likely to face a 2-3 month delay before their case becomes active. All applicants will be kept informed of the progress of their application, timescales, etc. and a triage service will be put in place to ensure those in urgent need are prioritised.

The HIA are actively looking for additional contractors, and have successfully appointed a further six for bathrooms and kitchens. These contractors are currently in the mobilisation phase but will hopefully start to make a difference once contracts have been agreed. Obviously this is not a position that the Agency wants to be in, but unfortunately the circumstances are out of their control and SCDC will continue to review the situation over the coming months.

Cambridgeshire & Peterborough Combined Authority (CPCA) funding for social housing

The CPCA has now received the Ministers decision on what the Minister and DLUHC are prepared to financially support from the proposed CPCA 2021/22 affordable housing programme.

Effectively the Minister is prepared to support 1,188 housing units and the minister is approving an additional £18.704m of capital funding above the £55m already received under the previous programme for this. The net effect is that CPCA should receive up to £73.704m of the originally intended £100m to support the delivery of additional affordable housing in the period up to 31st March 2022.

This means that £26 million of the promised funding for social housing in the area covered by the Combined Authority will not now be provided. It follows directly from the Government report on the use of this funding under the previous Mayor and CPCA administration and the decision not to award the full amount. A significant proportion of

this lost funding should have been transferred to the South Cambs area for social housing projects.

Best wishes for the New Year
Claire & John

Item 101.3

District Councillor Report to Parish Council January 2022

Happy New Year

Happy New Year, let's hope 2022 is a better one given the problems that the pandemic has caused for people's health, mental health, the economy and businesses. I hope residents across the ward will continue to contact me going forward with any concerns or Council related issues that they have; I will always do my best to help. I continue to attend Parish Council meetings to keep up to date with local issues affecting villages within the Fen Ditton and Fulbourn ward.

Green bin collections

Green bin collections are currently planned to resume on Wednesday 12th January 2022.

Phase one of the Chisholm Trail opens

Cyclists and pedestrians can now enjoy faster and safer journeys across Cambridge after phase one of the flagship Chisholm Trail project opened.

Council opening hours

Following the festive period, from the 4th January the Council's opening hours return to normal i.e. 8:00-17:30 Monday to Friday.

Covid update

It is good that we haven't yet had to bring in any further restrictions / lockdowns, but it remains vital to continue to remind everyone of the key things they can do to protect themselves and others:

Get vaccinated – all information on when sites are open and where, and what they are offering can be found at www.thevaccinators.co.uk

Test before you meet up with others outside your household, or get a PCR test if you have symptoms – and isolate while waiting for your results or if positive - local authority run LFT collection points are operating 29th/30th and until 2pm on 31st Dec. They will be closed over the bank holiday weekend and reopen 4th Jan. We have no supply issues currently and have just received a delivery. To find details of when sites are open, please visit Coronavirus (COVID-19) Rapid community testing - Cambridgeshire County Council and Coronavirus (COVID-19) Rapid community testing - Peterborough City Council If ordering online or by calling 119 – advice is to try early in the day before delivery slots are allocated.

To get a PCR test – You need to book using the Government link. Slots get released regularly, so if not available initially it is worth trying again in a couple of hours.

Protect - by meeting others from outside your household in small numbers in well ventilated spaces or outside, giving people space, wearing a face covering and washing your hands.

Thank you for taking the time to read my report. If you have any questions on my report I will be happy to answer them over the phone (please leave a voicemail) on 07595 361 285 or via email graham.cone@councillor.online

Item 110.3

Minutes of a Precept Meeting of Fulbourn Parish Council held on Wednesday, 5th January 2022 at The Swifts, Haggis Gap, Fulbourn.

Present: Councillor Drage (Chairman). Councillors Bilboa, Butler, Cone, Gaskell, Johnson, Thorn, van Spaendonck and Ward. The R.F.O. Mr T Fretwell and the Clerk.

Apologies: Councillors Brown, Lacey, Lockwood, Newell and Smith.

Mr Fretwell advised electricity and gas prices will increase this year, along with National Insurance contributions which will impact on labour costs. From now until March 2022, Mr Fretwell explained the figures pointing out most of the funds are ring-fenced. 2023 will be the last full year of loan repayments with the final instalment in 2024.

Mr Fretwell then went through the Cost Centres for 2022/23. Councillors are up for election in May 2022. If this is contested, costs to the Parish Council will be much higher. It is also possible there will be a Referendum, which if held at the same time as the elections will keep expenditure down, but again this is difficult to forecast. Income is down at The Swifts, although sadly cemetery income has increased slightly.

Mr Fretwell went through the Precept estimate for 2022/23 with a list of operating costs. Obviously the loan repayment is the highest outlay. £13K has been included as the Parish Council's contribution towards replacement ornate street lighting and monies towards new toddler equipment.

Mr Fretwell went through the precept comparisons for the previous 4 years when for two of those years, the precept remained the same level.

It is very difficult to forecast expenditure under the current climate. Until the loan has been repaid Council is not in a position to start any more Capital Projects and will need to remain prudent.

Councillor Thorn proposed the Precept to be increased to £196,000 for 2022/23; proposal seconded by Cllr Bilboa and agreed the Parish Council.