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# Hello

## Welcome to the summer issue of South Cambs Magazine

Following the elections in early May, now is the ideal time to get to know your local district councillors. All our councillors are champions for their villages and their communities. You can start getting acquainted with them from page eight - where you'll also find contact details. Please remember that as district councillors, we are here to be your voice. With that in mind, if there's anything we can help you with, please drop us a line.

Elsewhere in this issue there is a raft of ideas and plenty of inspiration when it comes to getting out and about to enjoy our wonderful district through the summer. So, for the best days out locally in the (hopefully) warmer weather, start at page 15. You can also visit our dedicated tourism website.

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Many people will be eligible for the Government's £150 'energy rebate', which is paid by our Council Tax team. Please take a look at page 22 to see whether you are eligible for this rebate, as some people will need to apply for it (whereas others have been paid automatically). The money does not need to be repaid so, if you're eligible, please make sure you apply.

Finally, if you're planning an event this summer, please consider how to minimise the amount of rubbish that is created. We've put together a handy guide for those planning summer events on page 26.

I hope you enjoy reading this issue. Have a brilliant summer.

**Cllr Bridget Smith**  
Leader  
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District Council



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## What works, and what doesn't?

Please complete our feedback surveys if you have contacted us recently about Benefits or Council Tax. Visit either the 'Benefits' or the 'Council Tax' section on our website, where you'll see a link to 'Tell us about your experience'.

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- provide voicemail if the person you need is unavailable, and
- if you leave a message, respond within three working days.

## If you write to us we will:

- reply to your letter or email within 10 working days.

## If we write to you we will:

- write in plain language
- arrange for translation, large type, braille or audio tapes upon request.

## If we visit you we will:

- carry identification that you can check with a phone call to us
- arrive at the time we say we will, or give you as much notice as possible if we have to change the time.

## If we get it wrong we will:

- apologise if we have made a mistake or failed to meet our standards
- acknowledge your written complaint within three working days
- reply in full to your complaint within 10 working days.

# Tell us how we're doing

We're proud of what we are trying to achieve and recognise we can always do better. To help improve our services, we need your feedback. Whether it's a compliment, a general comment or a complaint, we want to hear from you.

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# News in brief



## Support for Ukraine

### Welcome to South Cambridgeshire

South Cambridgeshire is in the southern 'corner' of the county of Cambridgeshire and surrounds the city of Cambridge on all sides. South Cambridgeshire is made up of 103 villages and two towns. It is a district with beautiful rural landscapes and friendly village High Streets.

There is information available on our website about how to access essential services, with links to other organisations that you may need to contact too.

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If you need to talk to us in Ukrainian, Russian, or Polish, please email us to tell us this. We will then arrange a phone call for you with an interpreter in your chosen language.

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Якщо ви бажаєте поспілкуватися з нами українською, російською або польською мовою, напишіть нам на електронну пошту. Ми організуємо для вас телефонний дзвінок на обраній мові за участі перекладача.



## Cambridge Nature Festival

27 May to 30 June

A new festival is coming to the area, to help residents get in touch with the nature on our doorstep and to celebrate the wonderful people and organisations that work tirelessly for the natural world.

The first Cambridge Nature Festival will run from 27 May to 30 June and will include over 60 events and activities, with something for all ages, abilities and interests. There will be BioBlitzes, guided nature walks, live music, wildlife ID workshops, art exhibitions, hands-on creative activities and much more. Most of the events will be free or low cost and will take place in Cambridge and the surrounding countryside.

A selection of events is already available to view online, with many more to be added soon.

The festival is partly funded by the Government's Green Recovery Challenge Fund, as well as through the efforts of the many participating organisations. The fund is being delivered by The National Lottery Heritage Fund in partnership with Natural England and the Environment Agency.

➔ [www.cambridgenaturenetwork.org](http://www.cambridgenaturenetwork.org)





## Take charge of your batteries!

Join the fight against 'zombie batteries' – discarded dead batteries that come back to life and cause fires. When thrown away with other waste and recycling, zombie batteries are likely to be crushed or punctured as the waste is collected and processed. Some battery types can ignite or even explode when they're damaged, which can quickly set fire to other materials, leading to serious incidents that put lives at risk.

Lithium ion batteries were the suspected cause of 38% of fires at waste treatment plants between April 2019 and March 2020, up from a quarter the previous year, and equating to around 250 fires a year.

One alternative is to use rechargeable batteries to reduce our reliance on precious metals from single use batteries. While their initial cost may be a little higher than single-use batteries, in the long term they will save you money. Just make sure they are discarded correctly once they do reach the end of their life.

### How to safely dispose of batteries

- Put batteries in a clear bag and attach the bag to the handle of your blue bin
- Take them to the Household Recycling Centre at Milton or Thriplow
- Or take them to drop off locations in selected local shops - search for 'batteries' on our website.

➔ [www.scams.gov.uk/bins/recycling/find-a-recycling-point](http://www.scams.gov.uk/bins/recycling/find-a-recycling-point)



## School holiday sports camps

### Book now for summer

Our school holiday sports camps run for children in school Year 3 to Year 9, from 10am to 3:30pm. Children can attend either a netball or athletics camp, or both. It costs £25 per child per day, or £22 per child per day if more than one child is attending, or for a child attending multiple days. Athletics is at Wilberforce Road Athletics Track, Cambridge, CB3 9AD. Netball is at Impington Sports Centre, Impington, CB24 9LX.

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Athletics: Monday 25 and/or Tuesday 26 July

Netball: Wednesday 27 and/or Thursday 28 July

## Summer 2022 community forums

Community Forums are public meetings held in locations expecting major housing growth. They are an opportunity for communities to engage with key stakeholders on major developments. The meetings are generally held three times a year, and the dates for the summer meetings are below. For information, agendas, zoom links and to submit questions in advance, please visit our website.

- Waterbeach: Wednesday 15 June
- East Cambridge: Wednesday 22 June
- North East Cambridge: Wednesday 29 June
- A428 Cluster: Bourn: Wednesday 6 July
- A428 Cluster: Cambourne: Wednesday 6 July
- Northstowe: Wednesday 13 July
- North West and West Cambridge: Wednesday 20 July

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## Award-winning Green-to-our-Core team

The Council's Green to our Core programme has been selected for the finals for not one but two national awards.

We won a silver award in the Green Public Service category of the iESE Public Transformation Awards on 9 March, and we are in the finals for the MJ Awards in their Leadership in Responding to the Climate Emergency category, up against councils from Cheshire, Essex, London, Manchester and Wokingham. The winner will be announced at a gala luncheon in London on Friday 24 June.

Our Green to our Core programme includes:

- harnessing natural heat from beneath the car park to heat our main office, South Cambridgeshire Hall, with ground source heat pump technology
- generating electricity from solar photovoltaic panels above the car park
- switching our recycling and rubbish collection vehicles to electric
- supporting our communities to decarbonise with our Zero Carbon Communities grant scheme.

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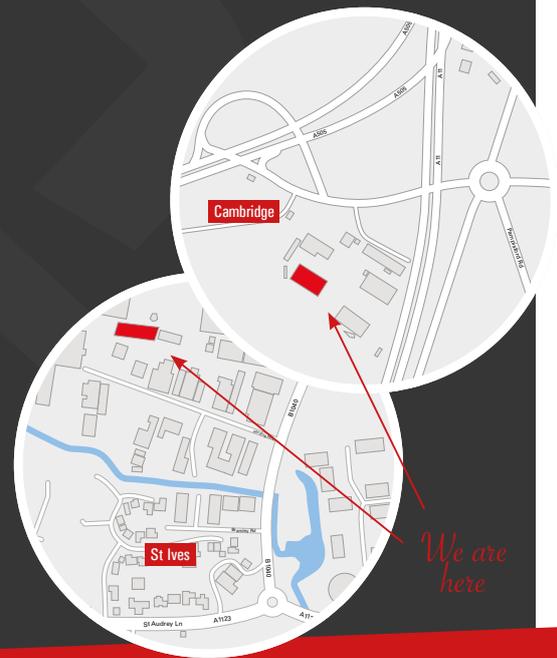
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On Thursday 5 May residents across South Cambridgeshire headed to the polls to elect all 45 councillors who now make up the District Council.

Together, the councillors represent 26 wards, from Over and Willingham ward in the north of the district down to Foxton in the south. Our councillors are champions for their villages and communities. You can contact your local district councillor to talk about anything locally that you are concerned about, discuss any aspect of our services, or find out more about matters relating to your area.

Our councillors also participate in the political management of the Council. They work to set priorities and decide how actions to deliver these priorities should be carried out. They agree the annual budget and our policies. Many councillors will also sit on committees, such as our Planning Committee, Licensing Committee and Climate and Environment Advisory Committee.

We have listed all our councillors by ward on the following pages and provided their contact details. These can also be found by visiting [www.scambs.gov.uk](http://www.scambs.gov.uk) and clicking on the icon called 'Your council and democracy'. If you have any difficulties contacting a councillor, just contact our colleagues.

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## Political breakdown of the District Council

● Liberal Democrat: 37

● Conservative: 8

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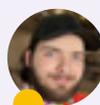


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## Whittlesford

**Villages covered:** Heathfield, Newton, Thriplow, Whittlesford



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# South Cambs Magazine reader survey

So that we can plan future magazine content, we would be grateful if everyone who receives this magazine could complete our short survey. All completed survey responses will be entered into a prize draw to win one of four £25 Amazon vouchers. Visit [www.scamb.gov.uk/reader-survey](http://www.scamb.gov.uk/reader-survey) for information about how to respond and full T&Cs - or cut out this page and post it to us (find address on page 3). Address it to 'South Cambs Magazine Reader Survey'. Please respond by 30 June 2022.

Scan the QR code to complete the survey



1. Which village/town do you live in? .....

2. Do you receive every issue of the magazine through the post (it should be delivered every three months)?

Yes  No  Not sure

3. How much of the magazine do you usually read?

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4. Are there any particular topics that you always read about? Write in your own answer, or tick as many boxes as you wish.

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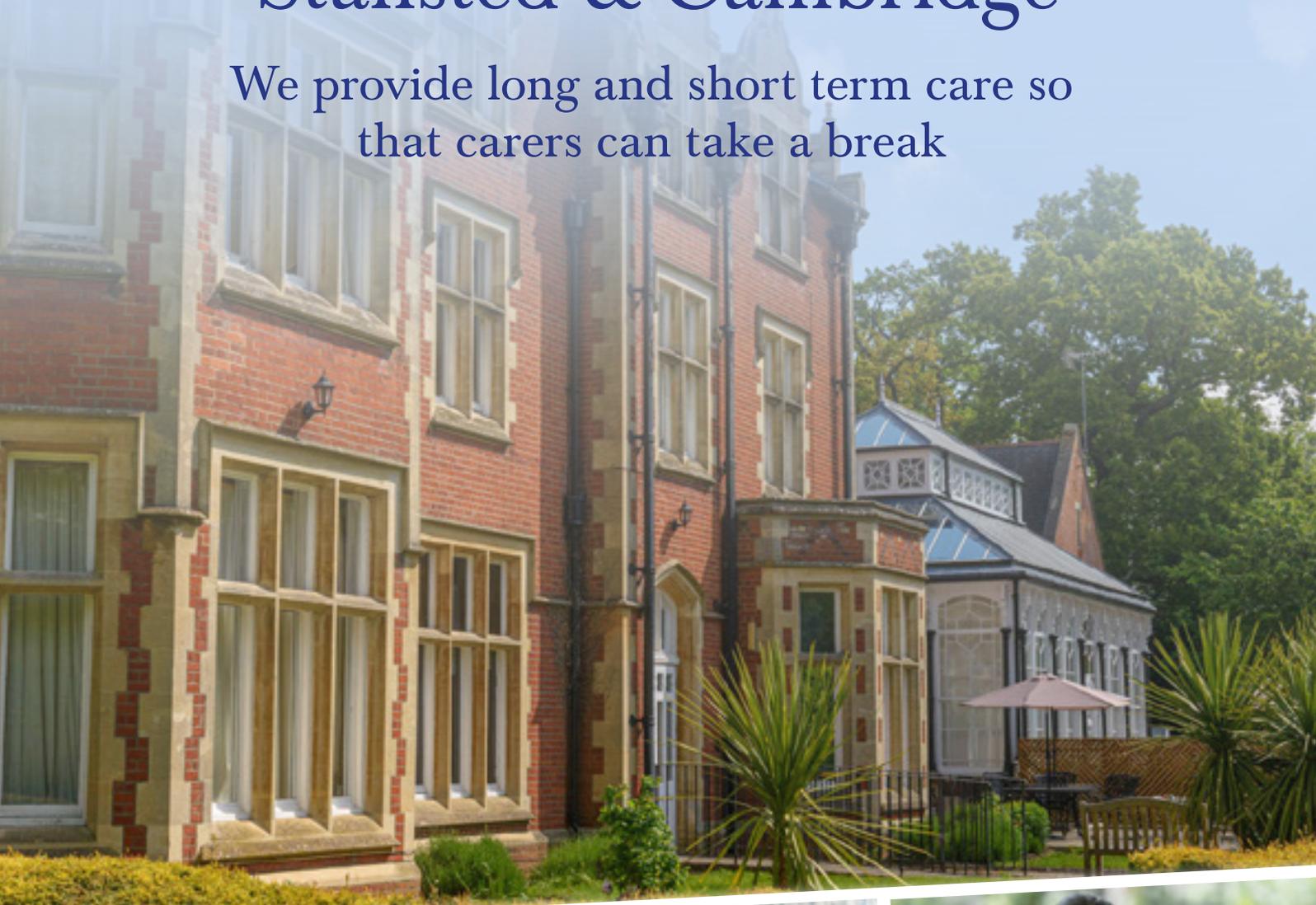
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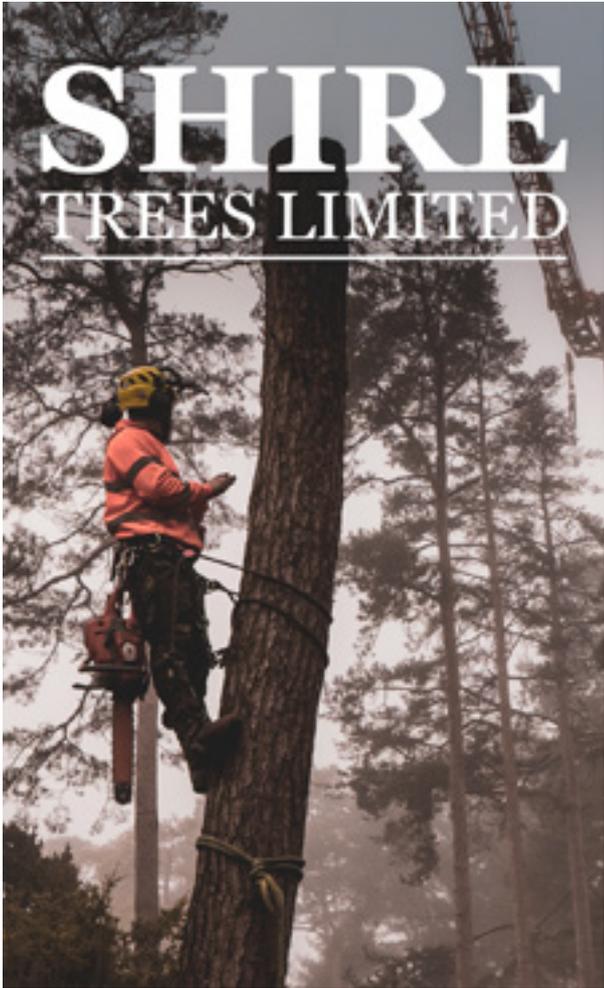
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# Business support

## Spotlight on The Cambridge Fruit Company

The Council's Business Support and Development team provides advice and practical support to local businesses – from help accessing financial support, to connecting with other council services and offering a wide variety of information on topics as diverse as digital marketing, making your business 'greener', or looking after mental health.

One local business our team has been supporting is The Cambridge Fruit Company, set up by Neil Bharadwa in 2005 to provide locally-sourced high-quality fresh fruit and vegetables to workplaces such as offices, schools, pubs and restaurants.

When the pandemic hit, Neil's business was severely impacted and he contacted the Council's Business Support team for help.

Neil, joined by his sister Nisha, set about pivoting the business to serve household customers, rather than businesses. Along with this, they supported The Red Hen Project, a North Cambridge charity helping families in need.

Partly funded by Neil's generous existing customers, and by joining forces with other local suppliers, they provided boxes to families in need and NHS workers. They were recognised by Her Majesty The Queen's Lord Lieutenant of Cambridgeshire for their amazing contribution, delivering 1,500 donated boxes of fruit and vegetables.



Neil Bharadwa and Nisha Ryles, The Cambridge Fruit Company

With planet-friendly practices featuring highly on Neil's list of priorities, he has partnered with Zedify courier bikes for 'last-mile' deliveries in Cambridge city centre. Home deliveries are also offered in Fulbourn, Histon, Impington, Milton and Waterbeach, with further afield delivery also available for workplace orders if suitable. He is also planning a new website design and soon-to-be launched range of luxury food hampers, to be delivered by courier.

Neil said:

**"We pride ourselves on the high-quality seasonal produce we provide, and as more people are looking for locally-sourced fresh goods, we would love to be able to expand on our home delivery area. If communities want to get together and place orders, making it sustainable for us deliver, we will happily do so."**

You can get in touch with The Cambridge Fruit Company online or over the phone.

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### Support for your business

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# Searching for ‘Things to do near me this summer’?



Are you searching for things to do and places to visit closer to home?

[www.visitsouthcambs.co.uk](http://www.visitsouthcambs.co.uk) offers plenty of inspiration across the district, including a ‘what’s on?’ calendar of local events.

 If you are looking for activities to keep little ones amused, Wildly Curious in Bourn offers activities including bushcraft and outdoor challenges, along with countryside walks.

 If the weather is inclement, Bury Lane Fun Barn can be found on the A10 bypass at Melbourn, where children up to the age of 10 can enjoy a farm-themed indoor play area while parents sit nearby with a relaxing cuppa.

 Looking to learn more about the culture and heritage of the district? Find places of historical interest such as Denny Abbey and Farmland Museum, along with churches



Bourn Mill



Bury Lane Fun Barn



Imperial War Museum

and mills to explore.

 You can also find details on parks and green spaces such as Wandlebury Country Park, Coton Country Reserve, Milton Country Park and Millbridge Brook Meadow Park in Gamlingay, where you can get up close to nature whilst enjoying the fresh air.

 For animal experiences, Linton Zoo Conservation Park and Shepreth Wildlife Park provide great days out for the whole family, and children will enjoy getting close to the farmyard animals during a visit to Wimpole estate in Arrington.

 The Imperial War Museum in Duxford is well worth a visit, and you can also find out more about wartime history at the American Cemetery in Madingley.

 Looking for a tasty snack or a meal out? The site features numerous options from pubs and cafes to restaurants and tea rooms.

Work has begun to add more information to the website and soon you will be able to find itineraries for specific interests, such as ‘Family fun’, ‘Nature lovers’ and ‘History and culture’, to name



Denny Abbey and the Farmland Museum



a few, as well as details of many of the walks across the district.

So, if you are looking for local inspiration – look no further!

 [www.visitsouthcambs.co.uk](http://www.visitsouthcambs.co.uk)

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If you run a local leisure or hospitality business and would like to be featured on the website, or are planning an event in South Cambridgeshire, please complete a listing.

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# Wellbeing walks

Are you looking to get active whilst exploring your local area? Why not join one of our free wellbeing walks?

Our wellbeing walks are led by friendly, specially trained leaders who are on hand to provide encouragement and support, ensuring no one gets left behind.

They are open to everyone and range from 30 minutes to an hour, at a gentle pace.

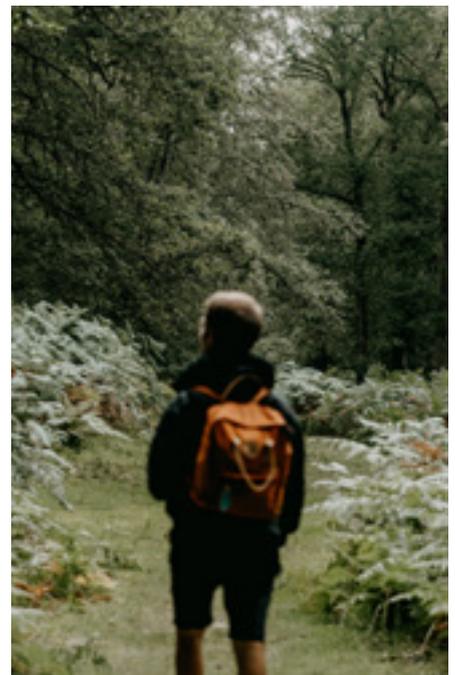
Walking is a great way to improve physical health and overall fitness; in particular, reducing the risk of chronic diseases such as diabetes and improving heart function. Walking also offers plenty of mental health benefits. What's more, our group walks also offer the opportunity to meet new people and make friends within your local community.

We have a range of walks across the district such as in Milton, Melbourne and Hardwick.

To find a wellbeing walk near you, visit [www.scambs.gov.uk/walks](http://www.scambs.gov.uk/walks)

If you cannot find a local wellbeing walk, why not volunteer to become a walk leader and start a walk in your village? All training is provided by us for free. Please contact [ben.truett@scambs.gov.uk](mailto:ben.truett@scambs.gov.uk) for further information.

There are also many other walking groups around South Cambridgeshire. To find out if there's one near you, please check with your parish council or local Facebook group who can connect you with what's going on in your local area.



## Have your own Wild Minds experience this summer

Our eight-week Wild Minds programme gives young people aged 12 to 17 a chance to enjoy the outdoors, among a small group of peers, to benefit their mental wellbeing.

Funded by the Council and run in partnership with Cambridge Sport Lakes Trust at Milton Country Park, and Find Your Wild at Wandlebury Country Park, the programme is also supported by a clinical psychologist, to give participants with concerns such as anxiety or low mood a chance to access professional support for their mental wellbeing. We're now taking registrations for our summer programmes – sign up for free below.

➔ [www.scambs.gov.uk/wildminds](http://www.scambs.gov.uk/wildminds)

According to mental health charities, spending time in nature is hugely beneficial to health and has been found to help with common mental health problems such as anxiety and depression.

### Why not try your own Wild Minds experience?

In your garden or at your local park, you could get together with family and friends and try some of our Wild Minds activities.



Eat meals outside: try a picnic in the local park or even in your garden.



Go for a nature walk and note the types of insects and plants you find, and the sounds you hear.



Find a good spot to look at nature – whether on a park bench, or by a river, or out of your window. Draw or paint what you see, and record the changes as the seasons pass.



Go to your local park for a walk or gentle jog, or try some yoga or tai chi outdoors.



# Get Active & Healthy 4 Life

If you have a qualifying health condition and your doctor says you would benefit from exercise, they can refer you onto our exercise referral scheme.

Called Active & Healthy 4 Life, the idea is to create a positive lifestyle change to make exercise a regular part of daily life.

Following an initial assessment with a qualified referral instructor, a personal exercise programme will be created just for you. You then attend at least two gym sessions a week to see the health benefits.

Sessions run at sports centres in Cambourne, Comberton, Cottenham, Impington, Linton, Melbourn, Sawston and Swavesey. The cost is £20 per month for four months, except in Cambourne where costs vary.

## Who is it for?

The scheme is for adults with one or more of the following medical conditions:

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**Active & Healthy 4 Life**

## Are you breastfeeding-friendly?

Did you know that babies who are exclusively breast fed for six months or more are 25% less likely to go on to develop childhood obesity?

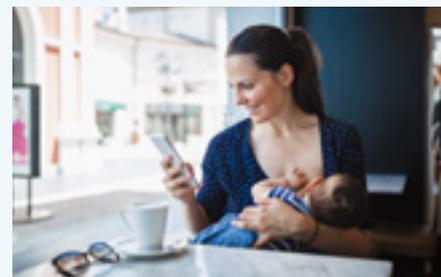
A report by UNICEF suggests that even a moderate increase in breastfeeding rates can also reduce other chronic conditions, including Sudden Infant Death Syndrome. What's more, parents who breastfeed also have lower risks of breast cancer, Type 2 diabetes, epithelial ovarian cancer and hip fracture later in life.

However, it's not always easy for parents to find a suitable space to breastfeed when out and about and, as we don't often see people breastfeeding, some parents may feel nervous about doing so in public.

If a baby needs to be fed in a shopping centre, is there a suitable

place to do so? What about in a busy eatery? Or on public transport, do people feel safe and confident to feed their child? Breastfeeding parents returning to work may also find it difficult to balance breastfeeding with a return to the workplace.

As part of a new programme to highlight the benefits of breastfeeding – to improve health outcomes and lower levels of obesity – the Council will be working with La Leche League. We will be supporting businesses, including bars, cafes and restaurants, to provide safe places for new parents to feed their babies. This will include working with business owners to promote a breastfeeding friendly award. Businesses and staff will be encouraged to be aware of the



need to provide an environment where parents can feel confident and supported to breastfeed anywhere in South Cambridgeshire.

Find breastfeeding support:

👉 [www.laleche.org.uk/breastfeeding-public-spaces](http://www.laleche.org.uk/breastfeeding-public-spaces)

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# We are consulting on the following schemes

- **Cambourne to Cambridge – Better Public Transport and Active Travel** – have your say on how we can best manage and mitigate the scheme's impacts on the landscape and environment by midday on **Monday 11 July 2022**.
- **A new road classification for Cambridge** – have your say on new ways for traffic and people to move around the city by midday on **Monday 18 July 2022**.



Let us know what you think – we'd love to hear from you!

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# £20,000 for biodiversity

Biodiversity is the richness of the living environment around us.

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## How can you help?

Individuals and communities can play a part through projects supporting biodiversity, such as:

- purchasing and planting native trees, hedgerows, wildflower meadows
- constructing bird and bat boxes
- creating or improving wildlife habitats (terrestrial or aquatic)
- improving existing habitats.

## Funding for your project

£20,000 has been ring-fenced for parish councils and community groups to use for biodiversity projects through our Community Chest Grant fund, with each group able to apply for up to £2,000. For guidance, advice and support before applying, Natural Cambridgeshire has produced a useful Local Nature Recovery Toolkit for Communities creating nature recovery plans.

➔ [www.scambs.gov.uk/communitychest](http://www.scambs.gov.uk/communitychest)

The Whittlesford tree planting project team wanted to protect biodiversity by planting a variety of native trees such as a hornbeam and four black poplars by the River Cam.

Black poplars are an endangered species in the UK, with only around 600 females remaining, so this work is vital. The project received £3,611 to plant 80 trees (although this was from the Zero Carbon Communities, similar projects could now also be funded through the Community Chest Grant fund).

Foxton Parish Council recently completed a project to create wildflower meadows in the Dovecote meadow.

Armed with a team of local volunteers with specialist knowledge, the project team organised a series of events, including a village wildflower plug planting day, a wildflower seed spreading day, and an annual meadow management event, getting people of all ages from the village involved. The success of the project has been seen in a bee orchid being found in the meadow. The project received £834 (although this was from the Zero Carbon Communities, similar projects could now also be funded through the Community Chest Grant fund).

## Green Connect Meet, Learn, Share



Have you been involved in a green project in your community?

If so, we want to hear from you at one of our upcoming monthly Green Connect events; online community networking and learning events where people interested in supporting climate-related and environmental issues can meet to share ideas and inspiration. We'd also like to know what topics you'd like us to cover next. If you have any ideas, please contact our Zero Carbon Communities team.

➔ [www.scambs.gov.uk/zcc-events](http://www.scambs.gov.uk/zcc-events)

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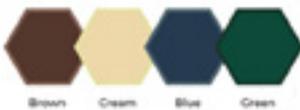
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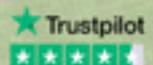
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✉ [energyrebate@scambs.gov.uk](mailto:energyrebate@scambs.gov.uk)

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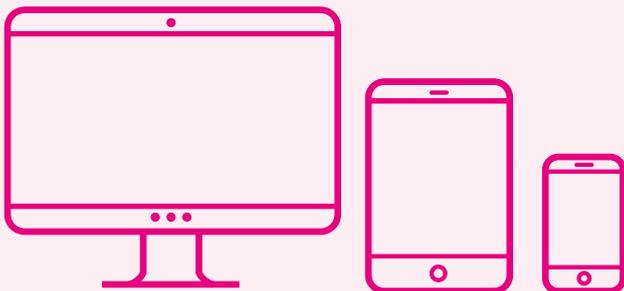
Did you know you can now send us evidence related to Benefits using our eForm? This makes it much easier for you to upload files and means we can process updates quickly. Log into My South Cambs and submit the 'Benefits – send us evidence' form. You can find the eForm under the submit a request section, and then find a form – search using the word 'evidence'.

### Council Tax

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# Emmaus Cambridge receives a helping hand

## £30,000 grant to support local charity working with homeless people

**A housing charity which works to end homelessness has received a helping hand from South Cambridgeshire District Council.**

Emmaus Cambridge, based in Landbeach, has been given a one-off grant of £30,000 which will allow it to employ an additional support worker to continue supporting single homeless people referred to the charity by the Council.

The funding comes from the Council's Homeless Prevention Grant which district councils are allocated from the Government's Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities. The purpose of the Homelessness Prevention Grant is to give local authorities more assistance in managing homelessness pressures and supporting those who are at risk of homelessness.

One of the priorities councils are asked to address with the grant is to aid reduction of rough sleeping and support provision for single homeless people.

Emmaus Cambridge has worked with the Council over a number of years. It provides people who have experienced homelessness with a home for as long as they need it, combined with training, support and meaningful work opportunities. Those it supports are known as companions and live together as a community at Landbeach. There is

no time limit on the support given and some companions stay a few months, others for many years, giving them the security and time needed to rebuild their lives after homelessness.

The charity also has a shop in Green Lane, Landbeach, giving work opportunities to companions in a meaningful social enterprise, enabling them to regain any lost self-esteem and confidence while raising the money to support the charity's work. The shop specialises in pre-loved furniture, household goods and clothing.

The charity offers crucial support to help homeless people in South Cambridgeshire get back on their feet. By ensuring they have a secure roof over their heads and are provided with an opportunity to be involved in meaningful work, the charity allows them the time to deal with the issues which may have contributed to them being homeless, rebuild relationships and potentially turn around their lives.

Diane Docherty, CEO of Emmaus Cambridge, said:

**“We’ve been providing support to people who have experienced homelessness for over 30 years. Our unique approach gives people a secure foundation from which they can rebuild their lives, providing opportunities for training, support and work.**

**“Our support team is an important part of this process, working closely with our companions to help them reach their full potential and achieve their goals. We’re very grateful to South Cambridgeshire District Council for providing funding so we can bolster our support team and help even more people move away from homelessness.”**

If you are concerned about the possibility of losing your home, or if you are aware of anyone who doesn't have somewhere to sleep tonight, please contact the Council's Housing Advice team.

➤ [www.scambs.gov.uk/housing-advice](http://www.scambs.gov.uk/housing-advice)

✉ [dutytorefer@scambs.gov.uk](mailto:dutytorefer@scambs.gov.uk)

# Bin collection calendar

Bins must be put out by 6am on your collection day. Close lids fully. Please report missed collections between 3:30pm on collection day and 3:30pm the next working day. For advice on how to leave out extra recycling for collection and other policies, see [www.scams.gov.uk/bins](http://www.scams.gov.uk/bins)

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## TUESDAY A

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## TUESDAY B

Barrington, Foxton, Melbourn, Meldreth, Shepreth

JUNE				JULY				AUGUST				SEPTEMBER				
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## WEDNESDAY A

Abington Pigotts, Barton, Bassingbourn, Grantchester, Guilden Morden, Harlton, Haslingfield, Litlington, Orwell, Shingay-Cum-Wendy, Steeple Morden, Whaddon, Wimpole

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## WEDNESDAY B

Arrington, Caldecote, Comberton, Coton, Croydon, Gamlingay, Great Eversden, Hardwick, Hatley, Kingston, Little Eversden, Little Gransden, Longstowe, Madingley, Tadlow, Toft

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## THURSDAY A

Bourn, Boxworth, Cambourne, Caxton, Childerley, Conington, Croxton, Elsworth, Eltisley, Graveley, Knapwell, Papworth Everard, Papworth St Agnes

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## THURSDAY B

Bar Hill, Dry Drayton, Fen Drayton, Girton, Lolworth, Longstanton, Northstowe, Oakington, Over, Swavesey, Westwick

JUNE				JULY				AUGUST				SEPTEMBER					
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## FRIDAY A

Cottenham, Histon, Impington, Landbeach, Orchard Park, Rampton, Willingham

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## FRIDAY B

Chesterton Fen, Chittering, Fen Ditton, Horningsea, Milton, Waterbeach

JUNE				JULY				AUGUST				SEPTEMBER					
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Yes

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### Recycle

✓ Clean ✓ Empty ✓ Don't bag it



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Tins, cans & foil



Aerosol cans



Wrapping paper  
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Glass bottles & jars



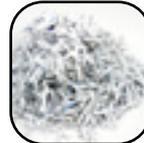
Cartons



Plastic pots, tubs, trays & bags



Plastic bottles



Shredded paper  
*(in envelope or clear sack)*

- ✗ Black bin bags or rubbish
- ✗ Nappies, tissues, kitchen paper, wipes & sanitary waste
- ✗ Polystyrene
- ✗ Glasses, flat glass or glass dishes
- ✗ Mirrors, Pyrex, plates/crockery

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- ✗ Clothing and textiles
- ✗ Food, liquid or garden waste
- ✗ Wood, plasterboard & DIY waste
- ✗ Furniture or electricals
- ✗ Scrap metal e.g. pans
- ✗ Hard plastics e.g. bucket
- ✗ Crisp packets

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### Compost



Untreated wood and sawdust



Garden waste



Cooked/uncooked food waste (including meat, fish and dairy)



Used paper tissues and kitchen paper

- ✗ Plastic & plastic bags
- ✗ Compostable bags e.g. Biobags
- ✗ Nappies, wipes and sanitary waste
- ✗ Soil or stones
- ✗ Painted or treated wood
- ✗ Cat or dog waste
- ✗ Plant pots and seedling trays
- ✗ Loose ash (wood ash CAN go in the green bin, but only if enclosed in paper bags)

## What goes in your black bin?

Yes

No

### Reduce

Please try to reduce other rubbish that cannot be recycled or composted



**General rubbish** including nappies, wipes, sanitary waste, polystyrene, broken crockery or glassware (wrapped).

- ✗ Rubble/bricks
- ✗ Soil
- ✗ Very heavy items
- ✗ Electrical items
- ✗ Batteries
- ✗ Loose ash (any ash can go in the black bin, but must be bagged, not loose)

# How to waste less at events this summer

The summer will see an increase in the number of events being hosted as communities come together.

This doesn't mean there needs to be an increase in the amount of waste generated. Finding alternative equipment and being savvy with food leftovers can reduce waste and lower the carbon footprint of your event. Here are our tips for a waste-less event.

## Equipment

Encourage your community to bring their own zero-waste equipment with them – such as reusable coffee cups and plastic pint glasses. Or consider reusable party kits for plates, napkins and bunting. Search online at [www.partykitnetwork.org](http://www.partykitnetwork.org) for a local hire venue; ask at your local school or community group; look for glassware and crockery/cutlery hire online; or ask friends and family. And remember, 'compostable' plates, cutlery or cups are not accepted in green bins in our area, so please avoid these too. If you opt for disposables, the best

choice is plain paper plates and clear plastic cups that can be put into the blue bin as long as they are not dirty.

## Food

Be smart with what you cook and have a plan for leftover food. At BBQs there is often a tendency to cook too much meat, so why not take orders before you cook? Any surplus can be frozen to use another time. For events centred around children, consider food that's easy to use up afterwards. Serve food on platters so parents or children can choose how much they take. Surplus unopened or cooked foods can be donated to local charities, food hubs, community fridges or homeless shelters.

To view the full guide with more information and tips for different size events and who you're catering for, visit our website.

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## Additional waste collections

If you're hosting an event this summer, make sure you are aware of your responsibilities in terms of the clean-up afterwards. Planning is key, so ensure you have a sufficient number of bins on site to accommodate the event. Keep these together in 'banks' so everyone has a choice of where to put each item. If it is manageable, the recycling and waste can be taken home by volunteers and put into their bins, but for larger events you'll need to pay for additional services. The Council offers recycling, food waste and general waste collections from events.

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## Litter picking

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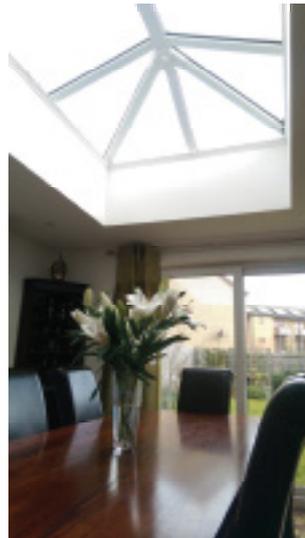
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- Gain recognition from a recognised, accredited body for professional membership.

One recent apprentice is Charlene, manager of the Planning Service's Technical Support Team; this team is the foundation of planning. They receive and process planning applications, and deal with local land search requests.

Charlene is coming to the end of a two-year Level 5 apprenticeship in Management and Leadership. Whilst completing the apprenticeship, Charlene was shortlisted for an award at the 2022 Cambridgeshire Apprenticeship Awards.

Charlene said:



**“I have really enjoyed the opportunity to gain new skills and implement them in a real working environment. I’ve found I received lots of support from my manager, providing opportunities to use the skills I’ve learned. I have also been able to connect with colleagues outside of planning, where we have supported each other and shared ideas about our learning and work.”**

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### What's it like to work with us?

Whether you are at the beginning of your career, or an experienced planning professional, we have a role to suit you.

Planners have the opportunity to take part in projects such as the emerging Local Plan, creating policies that shape the future of our region. Teams also work to encourage innovative design, and place-making that puts emphasis on residents' wellbeing and climate action.

Adam, Planning Officer in the Development Management team, said:



**“I previously had experience in the private sector working as a senior environmental advisor. I was seeking a fresh start and moving to the Planning Service provided that opportunity – along with the added bonus of fully flexible working and fulfilling my passion of serving the community.”**



Credit: Tom Davies



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# Striving for design excellence

Greater Cambridge Shared Planning constantly strives to help achieve the very best designs for new properties.

As part of this work, our new Greater Cambridge Design Review Panel - covering Cambridge City and South Cambridgeshire - held its first meeting back in January.

The panel offers independent advice from more than 40 mostly local 'built and natural environment' professionals. The members are nationally respected individuals from the fields of architecture, urban design, planning, landscape architecture, public realm, sustainability, highways engineering, transport planning, conservation, biodiversity and active travel. They aim to provide advice around the themes of community, character, connectivity and climate.

Design review is a well-established and effective way of enhancing the quality of new buildings. The panel operates in the public interest and the advice is for developers, planning officers, planning committees, parish councils and members of the public. The advice of the panel helps to inform the planning process and gives greater confidence to decision makers to support innovative, high-quality design.

Marmalade Lane, Orchard Park



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The panel helps to raise the quality of development by identifying where designs can be improved. This is important to achieve the best results in accordance with our Local Plan, Neighbourhood Plans and Village Design Guides.

In Greater Cambridge, design review has helped to guide several award-winning developments. These include the Bradfield Centre at Cambridge Science Park, Marmalade Lane in Orchard Park, and Chemistry of Health at University of Cambridge.

## Funding for Pathfinder Programme

In March this year, the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities announced that Greater Cambridge Shared Planning was selected to receive funding to produce local design codes. These are a collection of design principles to help local areas deliver more beautiful and environmentally friendly places and communities, such as by specifying local building materials or deciding the layout of streets.

Through this Design Code Pathfinder Programme, communities will shape new development in their neighbourhoods, including choosing building materials and setting sustainability standards. It will empower our communities to have their say on the development of new homes, buildings, and amenities such as shops and places where we work and help restore people's pride in the places they live.



Bradfield Centre, Cambridge Science Park



## Design excellence in smaller schemes

Two examples of well-designed housing schemes in South Cambridgeshire are part of our stock of around 5,500 council homes. These two schemes are at Chalk Hill, Fowlmere Road, at the edge of Foxton and the homes built at Challis Close, also in Foxton.

The 15 affordable homes at Chalk Hill were designed to be sympathetic to the local village character and include air source heat pumps for the homes. Clustered around a village green with a play area, the Challis Close scheme includes nine affordable houses which have energy efficient features such as high levels of insulation, double glazing and LED lighting.



Credit: John Cornell

## Planning FAQs: What is 'Green Belt'?

The term 'Green Belt' is used a lot in planning. Essentially, Green Belts are rings of countryside around urban areas. Their main purpose is to control urban sprawl and they can also be used to preserve the setting and special character of historic towns.

The Cambridge Green Belt dates to the 1950s. It extends from the edge of the built-up area of Cambridge, into the countryside up to around five miles from the city. It includes some villages inside it (as holes in the Green Belt) but encompasses

small hamlets and individual buildings. It also includes several important green corridors which run from the countryside into the heart of Cambridge.

Whilst openness is a key characteristic of the Green Belt, some kinds of development can be appropriate. This could be for agriculture, buildings supporting outdoor sport and recreation, and local transport links. Any development in areas surrounded by Green Belt must include careful landscaping and high quality design measures.

### Why is it important?

The Cambridge Green Belt recognises and protects the qualities of the area, and provides opportunities for countryside access, outdoor sport and recreation, biodiversity and important landscapes. The Green Belt can only be altered through a review of our Local Plan, where we have to consider impacts on sustainable development and whether there are 'exceptional circumstances' that would justify amending the boundary of the Cambridge Green Belt.

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A current Shire Homes tenant said: "When Covid had shut down my industry and my income, resulting in me and my son being homeless, Shire Homes found me the most perfect home. Louise [Shire Homes lettings manager] showed me around and gave me all the necessary information, even down to details such as bin collections and compost bins in the garden. At a time when my mental health was at an all-time low and I was terrified of never being able to get myself and my son out of a poverty trap, Shire Homes completely saved me.

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## Community Chest helps to fund youth robotics team

**A local electronics and robotics club for school pupils was given the award for Engineering Excellence in February at the national FIRST LEGO League Final where they competed against 70+ teams – after having competed in the Cambridge regional league to qualify for the final.**

Cambourne Electronics and Robotics Club (CERC) is part of local charity CamCare, which received £1,000 funding for equipment from the Council's Community Chest Grant Fund to purchase equipment for CERC.

CERC consists of pupils aged nine to 14 from six local schools, and the group reached the nationals for four consecutive years after being crowned Cambridgeshire champions. Students showcased their skills in robotics, computer programming,

teamwork, research, problem solving and communication. In the Cambridgeshire regional competition, the team secured top scores in all categories: robot design, core value, robot performance and design projects.



# The right tools for the job

Community action is about involving communities in the design and delivery of services; helping to share knowledge, skills and ideas; and building your community's resilience to be self-supporting.

To help community groups get the best possible support for community action projects, we have produced some free toolkits which offer advice, case studies, and information on possible funding for projects.

- The Community-Led Plan toolkit enables communities to ask local people what they want to see and produce an action plan that helps people to take realistic and concrete steps towards the changes they'd like.
- The Community Safety toolkit assists residents to galvanise other local people to improve safety and cohesion, and to tackle local issues such as youth engagement, loneliness and isolation, environmental issues and road related concerns, and prevent crime.
- The Climate Emergency toolkit which is part of the Council's Zero Carbon Communities programme - a wide-ranging programme of support for our communities to go net-zero carbon.

If you need advice and can't find what you need through

these toolkits, why not use our personalised advice service? Just complete our short form to tell us your concern or idea, and we'll send you personalised advice and tips.

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If you want to make a positive impact or tackle a problem in your community by setting up a new community group, but you are not sure where to start, Council colleagues are ready to give help and advice.

People living within a community know it best and are best placed to tackle areas of concern and put plans in place for the community's future.

So whether you are starting a small project, or a parish-wide approach, we can help.

## Digital inclusion

One area that community groups are tackling is digital inclusion. The importance of digital inclusion and using devices to connect with friends, family and services became obvious during the pandemic. When family and friends do not live close by, and when information and services are increasingly only available online, people without the means and skills to navigate the digital world can be at a disadvantage.

During the first lockdown, the villages of Coton, Grantchester and Toft supported older people to get online for the first time with the help of a small Cambridgeshire Community Foundation grant and committed volunteer help, setting up weekly drop-in community internet sessions. Read more about The Internet Club at [www.theinternetclub.org](http://www.theinternetclub.org)

Histon and Impington addressed digital exclusion in a different way, by providing a digital noticeboard at the library which links to a news and information feed from the HI HUB website ([www.hihub.info](http://www.hihub.info)). This helps residents to keep abreast of what is going on in the village, even if they do not have their own internet connection.

If your community would like to consider how to support those who may be digitally excluded, fill out our form and we'll provide you with some ideas to get started.

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# Street trading

A new policy was introduced in April to update street trading in South Cambridgeshire, and was warmly welcomed by street traders and the National Caterers Association.

The new regime will apply to all areas in the district (except any area of land which is in direct ownership and control of the County Council, District Council or parish councils, or the A11 and A14).

It covers consent for people selling or offering goods on the street, road and highway verge, as well as privately owned locations where the public has access without payment, such as pub car parks.

As traders tried to diversify as a result of the pandemic (which forced closure of some food establishments), we saw a surge in food trucks selling high-quality food from car parks in pubs and village halls, or on local high streets – in some areas providing a true community lifeline to what were otherwise non-serviced villages.

The new rules will ensure that going forward static, mobile or layby traders, such as food vans, ice cream vans and flower sellers, will be fully licensed, providing reassurance for customers.

In addition, a new Consented Premises permission will allow a premises to be used by holders of a Consented Premises Trader licence, to trade on an ad-hoc basis.



Holder of the first Consented Premises licence under the new policy: The Waggon and Horses, Linton

Previously a trader would have had to apply to trade in every private location, but the new regime provides a fast-track passport approach to enable trading to take place on any Consented Premises in the district, giving greater flexibility for the traders and the hosting premises.

Whilst the approach is streamlining and simplifying the process, traders have strict standards to adhere to, as public safety is paramount.

Consents are issued subject to a range of conditions which help maintain public safety. For instance, we will ensure there are no obstruction or hazards; that food vendors must be registered with the Environmental Health Service in the area in which they are based, and should have an FSA food hygiene rating score of three or more; and that public nuisance such as rubbish, odour, or fumes is avoided. In addition, there are checks on the applicant's suitability, and a need to provide periodic safety and insurance certificates.

A list of all approved premises will be available on the Council's website.

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## COUNTY BROADBAND ANNOUNCES FIRST LIVE VILLAGES IN CAMBRIDGESHIRE ROLLOUT

East Anglia-based full-fibre broadband provider, County Broadband, has announced its first three village networks in south Cambridgeshire have gone live, bringing world-class digital connectivity to thousands of rural residents and businesses. The 18-month infrastructure projects, funded by a multimillion-pound private investment from Aviva Investors to build fibre-to-the-premises (FTTP) networks, have completed in Fowlmere, Newton and Thriplow.

In total, County Broadband has earmarked 36 villages in its south Cambridgeshire rollout amid strong demand to get 'future-ready' networks.

**James Salmon, Director of Sales and New Territories at County Broadband**, said: "We are thrilled to welcome Fowlmere, Newton and Thriplow to our rapidly-expanding full-fibre network across East Anglia at such a pivotal time to help our region bounce back strongly from the Covid-19 pandemic.

"We have an exciting rollout in rural south Cambridgeshire and demand for future-ready full-fibre broadband has never been higher. Thousands of residents, many of whom are now remote working, and businesses of all shapes and sizes will benefit from lightning-fast gigabit speeds and bullet-proof reliability thanks

to our significant investment in the region's infrastructure and future prosperity.

"The pandemic has emphasised the harsh reality that Superfast broadband supplied over copper cables is too slow, too unreliable and seriously limits you – especially in rural areas. "Installing new full-fibre broadband infrastructure at this scale is a complex task and has many challenges. It requires significant planning, resource and time, with each project involving the coordination of highways, landowners, civils works and advanced fibre optic engineering. "We pledge to continue innovating, working closely with stakeholders, and keeping our communities updated as we continue to overcome the many challenges presented by each project to meet our rollout ambitions. We look forward to connecting many more rural and hard-to-reach areas in south Cambridgeshire over the coming months."

The government is relying on privately funded full-fibre specialists like County Broadband to help meet its flagship 2025 target of providing gigabit speeds to 85% of the UK.

Find out if you are covered in County Broadband's rollout by entering your postcode [here](#).

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Each walking tour can be attended by up to six people. The lucky winner of this competition can choose whether to go on two different walking tours themselves with five family members or friends, or pass one tour on to a friend or relative. Dates and times for the tours will be agreed with Hidden Cambridge.

Hidden Cambridge provides both walking and virtual tours of Cambridge. They aim to uncover surprising and fascinating stories that they are quietly confident even most local people haven't heard about, no matter how long they have lived in the area! It's no surprise to them that Charles Darwin said: "The three years I spent in Cambridge were the most joyful of my happy life."

Hidden Cambridge also offers more traditional tours for those who want to introduce the highlights of Cambridge to friends or relatives from out of the area, or even to brush up on their own Cambridge knowledge. And, for dog lovers, they have just created their very first tour for owners and their dogs, including some rather intriguing dog stories!

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## To enter

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Terms and conditions are available at [www.scambs.gov.uk/t-c](http://www.scambs.gov.uk/t-c) or can be requested by calling the Council. Winners will be notified by **Friday 8 July and announced in the autumn issue of South Cambs Magazine.**



## Winner's spotlight



Congratulations to Catriona Williams who won our spring 2022 competition. The prize was a luxury hamper from Bury Lane Farm Shop worth £125.

Catriona said: "I'm really pleased with the hamper from Bury Lane Farm Shop, I was pleasantly surprised to find not only tasty goodies (including their own strawberry jam) but also other treats including a puzzle and lovely notebook. I had a nice trip up to the shop, and enjoyed looking around their garden centre and gift shop."

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