

# CAMBOURNE PARISH COUNCIL

District of South Cambridgeshire

A Meeting of this Council was held at The Hub Community Centre, Cambourne on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2019. Meeting commenced at 19.23.

Present:

Cllr J O'Dwyer (Chairman)

Cllr R Poulton (Vice Chairman)

Cllr P Hedges

Cllr D Jones

Cllr D Maklin

Cllr Dr S Bhattacharya

Cllr A Fisher

Cllr P Gavigan

Cllr G Thompson

In attendance: John Vickery Parish Clerk

Kirsty Empson – Office Administrator

2 members of the public were in attendance.

#### 1. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence had been received from Cllr S Krintas, Cllr E Spanner, and Cllr D Sharm. Acceptable reasons for absence had been given.

It was:

**RESOLVED** that the apologies Cllr S Krintas, Cllr E Spanner, and Cllr D Sharma for their absence be received and approved.

#### 2. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

To approve as a correct record the minutes of the Council Meeting CPC/M188 held on 5<sup>th</sup> February 2019.

It was:

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Council Meeting CPC/M188 be approved and signed.

# 3. MEMBERS DECLARATION OF INTEREST OR REQUEST FOR DISPENSATION for items on the agenda.

There were no declarations or interest of requests for dispensation.

#### 4. POLICE MATTERS

No report was provided.

Ideas on how to obtain reports and more information were discussed.

It was also proposed that the Council formally request return of the electric bike. The enquiry desk at the police station was discussed and the potential for volunteers to increase the hours it is open. The police will be at the 'Volunteers Fair' on 16<sup>th</sup> March and, if prompted, may attempt to recruit volunteers and police 'specials'. These roles could be advertised on website/crier.

Office administrator to push for the reports/attend meetings. Contact other Parish Councils within the neighbourhood team about what sort of response they get from the PCSO.

It was

**RESOLVED** to receive the report.

5.

#### CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chairman made three announcements

- Welcomed Cllr Maklin to the Council.
- Reminded Councillors about and encouraged them to attend the Volunteers Fair 16<sup>th</sup> March 11am-1pm.
- Reminded Councillors that their Councillor status is only applied within the Council meetings. A Parish Cllr only represents the Parish Council at external events if appointed to represent the Council. Otherwise they are there in a personal capacity. The Parish Council are apolitical.

#### 6. CLERKS UPDATE

The Parish Clerk presented a report to the Council. The report is attached below.

A question was raised on point four as to what the development is likely to be on the business park. The Parish Clerk responded that it may be starter units, with housing behind.

More information on item three was requested. The Parish Clerk will circulate this via email.

A question was raised on the date of the Wildlife music event – The response was this will be 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> July 2019.

It was

**RESOLVED** to receive the report.

#### 7. COUNTY COUNCIL MATTERS

To receive a written report from the County Councillor for Cambourne Ward. Cllr M Howell gave his apologies.

It was

**RESOLVED** to receive the report

#### 8. DISTRICT COUNCIL MATTERS

To receive reports from the District Councillors for Cambourne.

A report was received from District Councillor R Betson

It was

**RESOLVED** to receive the report.

A report was received from District Councillor G Clayton.

A question was raised about universal credit. Cllr G Glayton responded with "This this about working with volunteers to support them and when I went and met them, they were talking about what they hear".

Cllr Ahmed left at 19.42

A question was raised about transport, and how far is this being pushed? Cllr G Glayton responded – Interim measures should be introduced as the proposed bus and metro measures are some way off, more buses, lower prices and increased frequency.

Support was requested by way of lobbying the 'Overview and Scrutiny Committee' to consider temporary sites for travellers, a short discussion ensued. Cllrs voted to write a letter in support.

Cllr Dr S Bhattacharya abstained from the vote.

It was

**RESOLVED** to receive the report and to contact the Committee as requested.

A report was received from District Councillor Dr S Bhattacharya

District Councillor Dr S Bhattacharya commented on her report, explaining more in depth about repeat prescriptions at Lloyds Pharmacy explaining that it is a private entity.

It was raised by a councillor that even through it is a private entity it is run and licenced by clinical commission group, and that process isn't working.

It was proposed that District Councillor Dr S Bhattacharya contacts the Clinical Commissioning Group.

Cllr Ahmed re-joined at 19:45

It was

**RESOLVED** to receive the report.

#### 9. COUNCILLOR VACANCY

To receive an update from the Parish Clerk.

The Parish Clerk gave a brief report on the Councillor Vacancy stating that no notice for election had been received, as of Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2019, therefore the recommendation be that the vacancy be filled by co option on 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2019.

It was proposed that subject to there not been an election called we will carry out a co-option on the 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2019.

Previous candidates will be emailed information of the new co-option. It was

**RESOLVED** that the update be received and the actions be taken.

#### 10. CAMBOURNE STATUS

To consider the status of Cambourne and receive The House of Commons briefing paper and report from the Parish Clerk.

The Chairman asked all Committee members their views on the matter of Cambourne Status.

The following points were raised:

- The community is made up of three villages, but feels like one place, therefore becoming a town would not change the dynamics of the area.
- A point was raised about there being 15% premium in house prices in villages over a town.
- In favour of becoming a town as it doesn't change the nature of Cambourne residents and the perception from outside will be helped with being a town.
- Becoming a town will make the three villages more united. Only concern is extra costs. The Parish Clerk reassured the Cllrs that there are no extra costs. We were awaiting a decision before equipment that is due to be replaced and new signage is ordered.
- Becoming a town represents a more positive image and identity and would create a hub for when West Cambourne and Bourn is built.
- Are there any add on affects which will cause trouble to other local businesses?
   Parish Clerk responded with, no because they are not parish organisations.
- It was suggested that a survey or poll was sent to the local residents. The Parish Clerk notified the Council that this would cost an estimate of £5000 for a Parish Poll.
- Cambourne already seems like a town and may attract more businesses and a high street.
- To become a town, with no comment.
- Becoming a town may mean more developments which will develop Cambourne further and provide more for the community.
- The advantages outweigh the disadvantages, but how long would the process take? The Parish Clerk responded with, by the next Council meeting 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2019.
- The only possible negative is the postal town would become Cambourne not Cambridge.
- A Councillor strongly suggested that the Council should consult with residents.

Councillors were reminded of the media policy and until the explanatory press release comes out, they were requested to keep silent on the matter. It was proposed that Cambourne's status changes from a Parish to a Town. A vote resulted in 13 votes towards a town and Cllr Poulton abstaining as

residents have not been consulted. The Parish Clerk will prepare a press release in consultation with the Chairman and reasons why will be in the Cambourne Crier e.g. potential benefits, structure hasn't changed; roles and responsibilities of Cllrs hasn't changed either and to emphasise no additional cost to tax payers of Cambourne.

It was:

**RESOLVED** that Cambourne becomes a Town.

# 11. EAST WEST RAIL BEDFORD TO CAMBRIDGE ROUTE OPTION CONSULTATION To receive a report from the Parish Clerk.

It was proposed that the Parish Council adopt the response, send it as our reply to the official consultation and to publish the response on Facebook and the Council website.

It was:

**RESOLVED** that the report be received and agreed actions taken.

# 12. CAMBOURNE TO CAMBRDIGE PHASE 2 PUBLIC CONSULTATION To receive a report from the Parish Clerk

An amended report was distributed to the Councillors.

It was:

**RESOLVED** that the report be received and form the basis of the Councils response. The response should be published on Facebook and the Council website.

# 13. A428 BLACK CAT TO CAXTON GIBBET IMPROVEMENTS PREFERRED ROUTE ANNOUNCMENT.

To receive a report from the Parish Clerk.

It was proposed that the report be received.

It was:

**RESOLVED** that the report be received.

Cllr T Hudson left 20.28 and returned at 20.31

#### 14. FAITH BUILDING WORKING PARTY

To receive an update.

The Faith Working Party needs re-energising. It needs to, in liaison with the office, collate information on religious groups in Cambourne; arrange a meeting of these groups to discuss premises needs and for the Cllrs to self-organise and be proactive.

2 members of public left.

A comment was made about there being a place for prayers etc for the different faith groups.

A Councillor asked to join the group. The Parish Clerk replied that the current working party had been composed of a balanced membership and should be

maintained.

It was mentioned that the Faith Working Party gain information on groups, how many within the group, times of day they need a building and an overview of the faith.

It was proposed that the Faith Working Party get together for a meeting, and a report be given at next meeting of faith groups in Cambourne so the need for accommodation can be established. Also, the Parish Clerk to send email out to all members of party making it clear of what is being asked of them

It was:

**RESOLVED** to receive the update and the proposed the actions be carried out.

#### 15. PARISH PLAN

To receive an update on the Parish Plan actions.

The Parish Clerk gave a brief overview mentioning that a number of points had been completed and some are being worked on.

The Chairman encouraged the committee to look at the Parish Plan and carry out any necessary actions and report back at the next meeting on 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2019.

A question was raised about Morrisons Market Square, the Parish Clerk response with it is too be discussed how the council goes about it outside of meeting and to contact Morrisons Managing Director. Cllr D Jones offer of assistance in communicating with Morrisons be accepted.

It was:

**RESOLVED** to receive the update and actions be taken.

#### 16. LAND TRANSFERS

To consider a report from the Parish Clerk.

Queries were answered by the Parish Clerk.

It was:

**RESOLVED** that the report be received

### 17. TRAFFIC MATTERS & ROAD SAFETY

To receive an update on traffic matters.

The working party will convene once the quotations for traffic monitoring have been received. These are needed to progress the 20mph initiative.

A concern was raised about Sheepfold Lane and a car transporter. It was proposed the Parish Clerk contacts BMW.

The raised table extension in Lower Cambourne School Lane/Swansley Lane has been delayed due to issues with the lighting design but is being progressed.

It was:

**RESOLVED** that the report be received, and necessary actions be taken.

#### 18. CORRESPONDENCE

Parish Clerk to report on any correspondence needing to be brought to the Council's attention. (Schedule Herewith)

The Parish Clerk is to chase up Bovis and report back to the resident.

If the resident feels that there is an illegal business being operated, they should contact HMRC. If there is a risk to the environment, environmental health should be contacted.

It was:

**RESOLVED** to receive the correspondence and take necessary actions.

#### 19. COMMITTEE REPORTS

To receive minutes of meetings of the following Committees and consider any recommendations contained therein:

**19.1 PLANNING COMMITTEE** held on 5<sup>th</sup> February 2019 PLN M299 **19.2 LESUIRE AND EMMENITIES COMMITTEE** held on 19<sup>th</sup> February 2019 LA M79

It was:

**RESOLVED** that the minutes be received.

### 20. PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960

Exclusion of the press and the public.

**MOVE:** that in accordance with Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 and by reason of the confidential nature of the remainder of the business, the Press and the Public be excluded from the Meeting.

#### 21. STAFFING

To receive a report from the Parish Clerk.

It was

**RESOLVED** that the report be received

#### 22. PV INSTALLATION

To receive a report from the Parish Clerk

It was:

**RESOLVED** that the report be received and the actions taken be confirmed.

#### 22. PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960

Re-admittance of the press and the public.

**MOVE:** that the confidential business having been concluded, the Press and Public be re-admitted to the meeting.

#### **24. DATE OF NEXT MEETING** – 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2019

The meeting closed at 21.00

Agenda Item 6

# **Clerks Report**

# Council Meeting 5<sup>th</sup> March 2019

# Clerks Report since 5th February 2019

- 1 Correspondence and meeting with Ian Trafford of Cambridgeshire County Council regarding works to the Blue School and transfer. Ian has taken a lead at the County to try and get this resolved.
- 2 West Cambourne meetings regarding:
  - Pre-application for the first phase of development and
  - To resolve outstanding issues around Discharge of Conditions.
- 3 Meeting with Star and Mouse Picture House regarding their proposal with Cllr G Thompson and the Community Development Officer.
- 4 Meeting with Louis Arron and the Community Development Officer at the Business Park to receive an update and discus use of the Park for the 10k. We should be receiving a request for a meeting to discuss the pre-app for the development on the balance of the Business Park soon.
- 5 Meeting with the Wildlife Trust to discuss the music event. Follow up meeting with Larry Grey to discuss his attendance and the Fair in Cambourne.
- 6 LDF workshop for the SPD for Bourn Airfield.
- 7 Meeting with Cambourne United rand the Community Development officer regarding their Tournament and the incorporation of the 3g opening ceremony on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2019.
- 8 Councillor tour and induction for Cllr D Maklin and Cllr A Ahmed.
- 9 Meeting with District Councillor Gavin Clayton regarding a resident in Cambourne.
- 10 Meeting with the Community Development Officer and Head Groundsman to progress the Fete for this year 14<sup>th</sup> September 2019.
- 11 Meeting with AH Electrical to look at the trailer Park and Cambourne Youth Partnership building.
- 12 Meeting with Philip Broadwith, Head Groundsman and the Community Development Officer regarding Cricket this year and community links.
- 13 Meeting Liz Pinchen and the Community Development Officer to agree their donation towards the Christmas Lights and discuss initiatives for this year's lights.
- 14 Meeting with Bridget Smith, Cllr J O'Dwyer, Cllr R Poulton, Cllr P Gavigan and Cllr G Thompson to discuss the Cambourne Youth Partnership Building and the early funding of the construction.

It is

**Recommended** that the report be received.

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Agenda Item 10

Council Meeting 5<sup>th</sup> March 2019

### CAMBOURNE PARISH COUNCIL.

It has been requested that Cambourne Parish Council considers changing from a Parish to a Town Council. This was last considered on the 7<sup>th</sup> February 2012

Cambourne was designed and was marketed as a settlement of three villages Lower Cambourne, Great Cambourne and Upper Cambourne aimed to have 3,000 (+or-10%) this was subsequently added to by the addition of 950 dwellings in Upper Cambourne. In 2018 Planning Consent was granted for a fourth Village West Cambourne with a further 2,350 dwellings. There has also been additional infill within the villages on areas that were not part of the original master plan.

When construction first started in 1998 (First occupation 1999) and until recently there was a strong community spirit in certain areas of Cambourne unfortunately some of this has been diluted as Cambourne has grown in size.

For some time there has been a confusion of identity caused by the size of Cambourne as a whole with a growing number of people seeing Cambourne as a Town (of three Villages) rather than a Village. This needs to be resolved to give Cambourne an identity. In the eyes of some of the community the identity "is vague and confused". Due to this Cambourne is often described as a settlement.

It is considered that it is time to stand back and take a look at Cambourne and how it has grown and will grow over the next fifteen years. Cambourne currently has 4,284 homes (over 11,824 residents) Once the current consents have been completed in 2033 Cambourne is planned to have 7,120 homes (approx 19,650 residents)

Many in and around Cambourne already see Cambourne as a Town.

In June 2018 the House of Commons Library published a Briefing Paper Number 8322 City & Town Classification of Constituencies & Local Authorities.

The briefing paper was prepared because there was concern how communities could be compared so they established a new classification so similar communities can be compared. Extract below (Full copy attached).

### 1.2 How does the classification work?

At its simplest, the classification categorises each constituency and local authority area according to the type of settlement in which the largest proportion of its population lives. To achieve this, settlements are classified according to an adjusted version of the taxonomy recently developed by the Centre for Towns:

- **12 Core Cities:** twelve major population and economic centres *(e.g. London, Glasgow, Sheffield)*
- 24 Other Cities: other settlements with a population of more than 175,000 (e.g. Leicester, Portsmouth, Aberdeen)
- 119 Large Towns: settlements with a population between 60,000 and 174,999 (e.g. Warrington, Hemel Hempstead, Farnborough)

- **270 Medium Towns:** settlements with a population between 25,000 and 59,999 (e.g. Gravesend, Jarrow, Exmouth)
- **674 Small Towns:** settlements with a population between 7,500 and 24,999 (e.g. Falmouth, New Romney, Holbeach)
- 6,116 Villages and small communities: settlements with a population of less than 7,500 (e.g. Chapel-en-le-Frith, Cottenham, Menai Bridge)

As part of the briefing they have produced a map indicating were the City and towns are located which includes Cambourne as a small town (enlarged extract below).



The Parish Council can resolve under Section 245 of the LGA1972 Part IV, Section 75 to call itself a Town Council.

#### Town status.

#### Disadvantages:

- No additional Powers
- Potential cost of Civic Regalia (but this is not required).

### Advantages:

- Establishes Cambourne's Identity and gives an overall community identity linking the four Villages.
- No cost implications to the residents.
- The Council would be seen more positively and get more respect within the County and surrounding Districts.
- There aren't any increased responsibilities by becoming a Town Council.
- There is a genuine debate which could be had about the potential economic benefit, if any, of calling yourself a Town and having a visible role for the Mayor as ceremonial representative, for instance, meeting with Mayors of other Towns and strengthening partnership and business links to bring more opportunities to the town.
- Assists in marketing of the shops on the High Street. Nearly all professionals that come to Cambourne to give presentations see Cambourne as a Town. Part of the problem in marketing Cambourne is that larger companies won't to go into villages. The village name discourages some companies from committing to Cambourne.
- Assist in marketing of the Business Park

### Changes:

- The Title of the Council Changes.
- The Chairman can be called Town Mayor.
- The Vice Chairman can be called Deputy Town Mayor.

#### Cost:

- Mayoral Chain (There is a potential benefactor who would donate the Chain) this is not essential
- The precept would not be raised directly by the change in status.
- The staff costs will not be increased directly by the change in status.
- There will be a minor cost in updating the web site (but this can be done largely in-house.
- A hold has been but on orders involving branding while this issue has been on the cards including Notice boards, permanent signs, replacement uniform etc to avoid cost if a change was made. Therefore, this would not have an additional cost.

#### **Process:**

If we are considering changing the status of the Parish Council, the route would be:

- Consideration is given by the Parish Council as to changing the status of Cambourne from a Parish to a Town Council under section 245 of the LGA 1972 Part IV, Section 75.
- Notify the District Council of its decision to change the name.
- The District Council then has to notify the Secretary of State, the Director General of the Ordnance Survey and the Registrar General and must publish notice within the parish and anywhere else the District Council considered appropriate.
- The Council can then choose to rename the Chairman as Mayor
- Promote Cambourne as a Town to further develop its identity.

## **Identity/structure:**

The suggestion is that the structure would be the Town of Cambourne made up of the four villages each with its own electoral ward. It is important to maintain the three existing and the new villages as separate parts of the whole as each has its own individual character.

In simple terms Cambourne changes from a settlement of three/four villages to a town of three/four villages.

#### Role of SCDC:

Other than giving notice of a name change, the only further involvement of SCDC would be if there were a boundary change sought or a change to the electoral arrangements Cambourne could at any time request a community governance review (Local Government & Housing Act 2007) to create separate wards for Great, Lower, Upper and West Cambourne, with, say five seats each on the Parish (or Town) Council. This method supports the opportunity for guaranteed representation for different areas within an existing authority. The warding of Cambourne with a proportion of Councillors to each village based on the electorate. The benefit of this would be the potential reduction in election costs caused by the large ballot papers required for a whole village election.

Requests for community governance reviews generally come from the parish council with the reasons and evidence it has collected, the recommendations it proposes and, ideally, evidence of public support. Residents themselves can also petition the District Council for a review, giving the same information; in the case of Cambourne, the petition must be signed by a minimum of 10% of electors. The District Council then must undertake a formal consultation exercise, writing to all parishioners and placing notices in public areas, with responses to be received by a set deadline. The information is then considered by the Electoral Arrangements Committee at a public meeting, often with residents attending to give evidence for and against during the public speaking session, and a recommendation is made to full Council.

There's some more detailed information in the Parish Council Toolkit (<a href="http://www.scambs.gov.uk/documents/retrieve.htm?pk\_document=908153">http://www.scambs.gov.uk/documents/retrieve.htm?pk\_document=908153</a>) and the legislation is at <a href="https://www.legislation.gov.uk">www.legislation.gov.uk</a>.

Correspondence received in early 2018 from Jason Clerk Programme Manager / Development Officer South West

Hi John

I came across this guidance the other day. It clearly states says that a Parish can choose to be known as a Town if they wish, and it states that this is <u>just a name</u>, and has no impact with regards to planning or anything else (confirmed with Ed Durrant).

Happy to have a conversation around this, but thought it worth passing on as seems pretty clear cut.

Thanks Jay https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\_data/file/8312/1527635.pdf

# Section 4: Other aspects of community governance reviews

# Parish names and alternative styles for parishes

- 1. Prior to the 2007 Act, a parish could be given the status of a town under section 245 of the Local Government Act 1972. "Town" status continues to be available to a parish. In addition, the 2007 Act inserted sections 12A and 12B into the 1972 Act to offer a further choice of alternative styles for a parish: community, neighbourhood and village. However, for as long as the parish has an alternative style, it will not also be able to have the status of a town and vice versa.
- 2. The 'name' of a parish refers to the geographical name of the area concerned and can be changed independent of a review by a principal council at the request of a parish council or parish meeting (where there is no parish council). A change in the status or 'style' of a parish allows for that area to be known as a town, community neighbourhood or village, rather than as a parish. The status or style of the parish will be reflected in the name of any council of the parish, the parish meeting, any parish trustees, and the chairman or vice-chairman of the parish meeting or of any parish council. So, for example, the council of a parish which uses the style 'village' will be known as the 'village council' and its councillors as the 'village councillors', etc.
- 3. References in legislation to a 'parish' should be taken to include a parish which has an alternative style, as is the case in relation to a parish which has the status of a town. The same applies in relation to references in legislation to a 'parish meeting', 'parish council', 'parish councillor', 'parish trustees', etc in connection with a parish which has an alternative style.
- 4. The Government recognises that in long established parishes, particularly in rural areas, local people may wish to retain the name of their parish and the existing style of their parish councils, although others may prefer "village" or another style. Following a community governance review, in areas previously unparished where a new parish is being created, people living there may wish for the style of their parish council to reflect the local community in a different way and may prefer one of the alternative styles. This may well be the case for those living in urban areas. Local authorities will wish to take account of these preferences in deciding the name of the parish and the chosen style.

5.

#### Section 245 of the 1972 Act:

245 Status of certain districts, parishes and communities. E+W

(1)If, on a petition presented to Her Majesty by the council of a district praying for the grant of a charter under this subsection, Her Majesty by the advice of Her Privy Council thinks fit so to do, She may by the charter confer on that district the status of a borough, and thereupon—

(a)the council of the district shall bear the name of the council of the borough;

(b)the chairman and vice-chairman of the council shall respectively be entitled to the style of mayor and deputy mayor of the borough.

Signed

DRAFT CPC/M189

[F1(1A)Subsection (1)(b) above does not apply where the council are operating executive arrangements which involve a mayor and cabinet executive or a mayor and council manager executive.]

(2)A petition for a charter under subsection (1) above shall not be presented except on a resolution passed by not less than two-thirds of the members voting thereon at a meeting of the council specially convened for the purpose with notice of the object.

(3)No charter under subsection (1) above shall take effect before 1st April 1974.

(4)Where a petition is presented to Her Majesty before 1st April 1974 by the council of a district praying for the grant of a charter under subsection (1) above and it is signified on behalf of Her Majesty before that date that She proposes to accede to the petition and that She approves—

(a) the use for the district of any style previously belonging to an existing borough which on that date will become wholly or partly comprised in the district; and

(b) the use for the chairman and vice-chairman of the council of the district of any style previously belonging to the mayor or deputy mayor of that borough;

those styles may be so used as from 1st April 1974.

#### [F2(4A)Where—

(a)a council are operating executive arrangements which involve a mayor and cabinet executive or a mayor and council manager executive; and

(b) the chairman or vice-chairman of the council has previously used the style of mayor or deputy mayor by virtue of subsection (4)(b), the chairman or vice-chairman, as the case may be, shall no longer use that style.

(5)A district which has the status of a borough, or for which the style of borough may be used, by virtue of the foregoing provisions of this section and the council of any such district shall not be treated as a borough or the council of a borough for the purposes of any Act passed before 1st April 1974.

(6)The council of a parish <u>F3</u>... which is not grouped with any other parish <u>F3</u>... may resolve that the parish <u>F3</u>... shall have the status of a town and thereupon—

(a) the council of the parish F3. . . shall bear the name of the council of the town;

(b)the chairman and vice-chairman of the council shall be respectively entitled to the style of town mayor and deputy town mayor;

(c)the parish meeting F4. . . shall have the style of town meeting.

(7)A resolution under subsection (6) above shall cease to have effect if the parish <u>F3</u>... to which it relates ceases to exist.

<u>F5</u>(7A)A resolution under subsection (6) shall cease to have effect if the parish has an alternative style (within the meaning of section 17A) by virtue of any of the following—

(a)an order under section 11;

(b)a resolution under section 12A;

(c)an order under section 86 of the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007.

(8) If a parish <u>F3</u>... council which has passed a resolution under subsection (6) above is dissolved without the parish <u>F3</u>... or the application to it of paragraph (c) of that subsection and in England the parish trustees shall have the style of town trustees.

(9)A parish  $\underline{\mathbf{F3}}$ ... council by whom a resolution under subsection (6) above has been passed or, if the council has been dissolved, the parish meeting in England  $\underline{\mathbf{F6}}$ ... may resolve that the parish  $\underline{\mathbf{F3}}$ ... shall cease to have the status of a town and thereupon subsection (6)(a) to (c) above and subsection (8) above shall cease to apply to the parish  $\underline{\mathbf{F3}}$ ...

(10) The foregoing provisions of this section shall have effect subject to any provision made by a grant under Her Majesty's prerogative and, in particular, to any such provision granting the status of a city or royal borough or conferring the style of lord mayor, deputy lord mayor or right honourable.





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#### **Amendments (Textual)**

<u>F1S. 245(1A)</u> inserted (26.10.2000 (E.) and 28.7.2001 (W.)) by <u>2000 c. 22</u>, <u>ss. 46</u>, <u>108(4)</u>, <u>Sch. 3 para. 11(1)(2)</u>; <u>S.l. 2000/2849</u>, <u>art. 2(e)</u>

F2S. 245(4A) inserted (E.) (6.5.2002) by The Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Modification of Enactments) (England) Order 2002 (S.I. 2002/1057), art. 5

<u>F3</u>Words in <u>s. 245(6)-(9)</u> repealed (1.4.1996) by <u>1994 c. 19</u>, <u>s. 66(5)(8)</u>, <u>Sch. 15 para. 51(a)</u>, <u>Sch. 18</u> (with <u>ss. 54(5)(7)</u>, <u>55(5)</u>, <u>Sch. 17</u> paras. 22(1), 23(2)); <u>S.I. 1996/396</u>, <u>art. 4</u>, **Sch. 2** 

<u>F4</u>Words in <u>s. 245(6)(c)</u> repealed (1.4.1996) by <u>1994 c. 19</u>, <u>s. 66(5)(8)</u>, <u>Sch. 15 para. 51(b)</u>, <u>Sch. 18</u> (with <u>ss. 54(5)(7)</u>, <u>55(5)</u>, <u>Sch. 17</u> paras. 22(1), 23(2)); S.I. 1996/396, art. 4, **Sch. 2** 

<u>F5S. 245(7A)</u> inserted (13.2.2008) by Local Government and Public Involvement in <u>Health Act 2007 (c. 28)</u>, <u>ss. 101</u>, <u>245</u>, <u>Sch. 5 para.</u> <u>8(2)</u>; <u>S.I. 2008/337</u>, <u>art. 2(c)</u>

F6Words in s. 245(9) repealed (1.4.1996) by 1994 c. 19, s. 66(5)(8), Sch. 15 para. 51(c), Sch. 18 (with ss. 54(5)(7), 55(5), Sch. 17 paras. 22(1), 23(2)); S.I. 1996/396, art. 4, Sch. 2

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# East West Rail Bedford to Cambridge Route Option Consultation

We have received notification that East West Rail have commenced consultation on the Bedford to Cambridge route option. This run from Monday 28<sup>th</sup> January to Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March. The proposal and routes consultation is on their website at <a href="https://www.eastwestrail.co.uk/haveyoursay">www.eastwestrail.co.uk/haveyoursay</a> which has the consultation document which is about 24 pages and a technical report that has lots of extra detail and is about 100 pages. There is also access to the feedback form. There is a consultation event being held at the Cambridge Belfry on Back Lane, Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2019 between 10am – 14:00pm.

Following comments from Councillors the bases of the feed back to the consultation will be based on following:

## **Option A**

Southern route option would have clear impacts on ecological sites, not least RPSB at Sandy, any potential significant impacts on national important heritage assets at Wimpole. It would fail to support significant economic growth or housing development as it is away from the key growth corridor between Cambridge and St Neots. The only significant housing opportunity mentioned is Bassingbourn Barracks, the availability of which is understood not to have been confirmed. Further, the sustainability benefits of delivering a railway station in Bassingbourn that would be a short distance from existing stations at Royston and Meldreth is questionable in comparison to the clear need for better public transport connections to support existing and committed housing and employment growth at Cambourne, West Cambourne and Bourn Airfield. With respect to affordability, this option would fail to dovetail with Highways England's preferred route for the Black Cat to Caxton Gibbet improvements and the obvious opportunity for shared costs. The failure of this option to connect into Bedford Midland would also represent a missed opportunity to support the regeneration of central Bedford and clear economic benefits that would result.

## **Option B**

See comments on Option E which is clearly the best option. This route would be the next best option, but would deliver fewer economic benefits or benefits for transport users as a result of the failure to connect directly to Bedford Midland.

#### **Option C**

See comments for Route Option A. Additionally, this option presents a bizarre alignment that tries to squeeze in a station at Tempsford as well as serving Sandy.

### **Option D**

See comments for Route Option A. This option is improved with respect to connecting to Bedford Midland, but presents a bizarre alignment that tries to squeeze in a station at Tempsford as well as serving Sandy.

### **Option E**

The northern route option via Cambourne is clearly the preferable route with respect to all supporting economic growth and new homes, reducing clear environmental impacts associated with the southern route (i.e. RSPB at Sandy and Wimpole) and providing better public transport connections to support existing and committed housing and employment growth at Cambourne, West Cambourne and Bourn Airfield. With respect to affordability, this option would dovetail with Highways England's preferred route for the Black Cat to Caxton Gibbet improvements and the obvious opportunity for shared costs. The connection to Bedford Midland is a clear benefit that would also represent a missed opportunity to support the regeneration of central Bedford and clear economic benefits that would result. The only concern with this route is the indicative location shown for a new station at Cambourne and the ongoing route from Cambourne to Cambridge. Access to the southwest of Cambourne is poor and it is clear that there is benefit in locating the proposed station to the north of the settlement to be accessible to local residents and from the A428. A station to the north of Cambourne would also provide a less environmentally constrained route into Cambridge by following the course of the A428 and then either looping down to Cambridge South, or as suggested as an alternative continuing to Cambridge North via Northstowe.

Attached are the alternative routes and questionnaire.

The Campaign for the Protection Rural have supported route B in their response to the consultation see link below.

http://www.cprebeds.org.uk/news/item/2404-cpre-bedfordshire-briefing-document-east-west-rail-consultation

Copy of Response attached.

It is

**RECCOMENDED** that Cambourne respond to the Consultation as outlined in the report.

## CAMBOURNE PARISH COUNCIL

District of South Cambridgeshire

Council Meeting 5th March 2019

## Cambourne To Cambridge Phase 2 Public Consultation

The Greater Cambridge Partnership are currently consulting on Phase 2 of the Better Public Transport Project as presented to the Council on the 5<sup>th</sup> February 2019. The Consultation closes on the 31<sup>st</sup> March 2019

<u>www.greatercambridge.org.uk/transport/transport-projects/cambourne-to-cambridge/cambourne-to-cambridge-better-transport-project-phase-2-consultation/</u>

Councillors have provided some input on the Consultation. Below is the suggestions for the basis of the Councils response are as follows:

#### **General Questions**

- 1) straight forward.
- 2) Daily

**Further Comment** 

The proposed transport link must provide suitable points within acceptable walking distances to ensure take up and travel quickly to the desired destinations. The charges should be set as to encourage use rather than deterring passengers. The route should be as direct as possible.

## **Option specific questions**

3) Option 1 Off-road

Further Comment.

Off-Road option required for entire route except where not possible though Cambourne. Off-road ensures future-proofing against inevitable greater volume of on-road traffic. Route at Bourn Airfield should be through the new settlement and not around the northern boundary, to provide stops within walking distance.

- 4) Route A with its connection into Cambourne from the Broadway is essential to ensure it encourages the greatest uptake of passengers to ensure. Route B is indirect and will not address the needs of residents with a majority forced to use cars rather than public transport.
- 5) very important

Further Comment.

Facilitating exercise and a healthy lifestyle will benefit all including future NHS expenditure.

Park and ride facilities

- 6) No preference Option A Scotland Farm will benefit traffic from the West and is easier to expand the site.
- 7) no comment Unless the future of Madingley Road P&R is secured, both sites will be needed. The site should facilitate disabled passengers in its layout, i.e. ease, convenience and safety of movement, audio and visual notifications. The rolling

stock should be of the highest environmentally friendly standard and totally accessible for disabled people.

PV Panels should be installed to off-set carbon emissions and to promote green energy.

## Your thoughts

- 8) Punctual ,reliable, frequent service, Low cost to encourage use rather than cars. Good , accessible bus stops with secure cycle parking.
- 9) If the measures above are implemented then this will aid the efforts to meet the requirements of the Equality Act 2010.

Adequate space for wheelchair users and prams/buggies should be provided on buses.

A project of this size, if it's serious about its duties prescribed in the Equality Act 2010, should undertake a dedicated exercise in engaging the protected characteristic groups. Not this bolted-on nebulous, catchall question.

10) Cambourne's residents need a fast, affordable, reliable public transport system into Cambridge. One that is maintained to a high standard and incorporates the highest standards of environmental friendly design.

It needs to pick people up from where they are – central locations - and take them to where they want to go – central locations.

## You and your Journeys and Contact details

To be filled in as appropriate.

It is

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#### Agenda Item 16

# **LAND TRANSFERS**

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Please find below an updated status report on current matters involving the Parish Council.

1. GC23/GC26, Greenway - MCA (58)

No change since my last Report.

2. <u>Upper Cambourne Northern Greenway SIP –MCA (59)</u>

No change since my last Report.

3. Cambourne Cricket Pavillion - MCA (62)

The Transfer remains with the Land Registry for registration purposes.

4. Cambourne Youth Centre – MCA (63)

No chance since my last Report.

5. Cambourne School Lease Variation - County Council (65)

No change since my last Report.

6. POS – Persimmon Homes (67)

No change since my last Report.

7. Meadowsweet Close and Cherry Court - David Wilson Homes (68)

The Transfer has been signed by the Parish Council and is now with David Wilson Homes for signing.

8. POS - Bovis Homes (71)

No change since my last Report.

9. Land Parcels LC02, LC05, LC09 and LC14 - Taylor Wimpey (51)

Engrossments have now been received from TW's in-house legal team and will be issued to the Parish Council for signing shortly.

Kind regards,

Allison

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