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**Anthony Browne MP**

Keeping in touch with South Cambridgeshire

**CANCER HOSPITAL CONFIRMED**

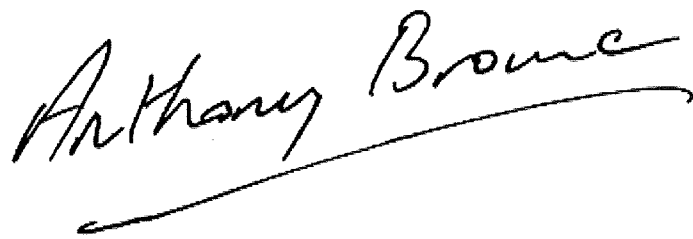
I am delighted to welcome funding for a new cancer hospital to be built at Addenbrooke's.

One of forty new hospitals confirmed by the Prime Minister last week, Addenbrooke's Cancer Hospital represents exactly the kind of specialist service I want to see brought to our local community. A promise to deliver this hospital formed part of my campaign in December and I have made strong representations to the Secretary of State to see it properly funded.

This new facility has the potential to dramatically transform not just the hopes of cancer sufferers in our area, but our ability to understand and conquer cancer.

With funding committed for a new Children's Hospital and Cambridge South Station, over a quarter of a billion pounds in investment for South Cambridgeshire has been announced in the last 12 months alone.

We have a huge opportunity now to unite and level up, delivering lasting change and building back better after coronavirus.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Anthony Browne". The signature is written in a cursive style and is underlined with a long, sweeping horizontal line.

Anthony Browne MP

**IN THE CONSTITUENCY**

Proposed Children's Hospital site visit





Last month, I was offered the chance to view the site of the proposed Cambridge Children’s Hospital, a joint venture between Cambridge University Hospitals, the Cambridge & Peterborough Foundation Trust and the University of Cambridge Department of Paediatrics.

Having met with Dame Mary Archer, Head of the Fundraising Committee and long-time campaigner for the hospital, and Mike Moore, Cambridge University Hospitals Chairman, I publicly pledged my support and will be working with them to finalise this vital local project.

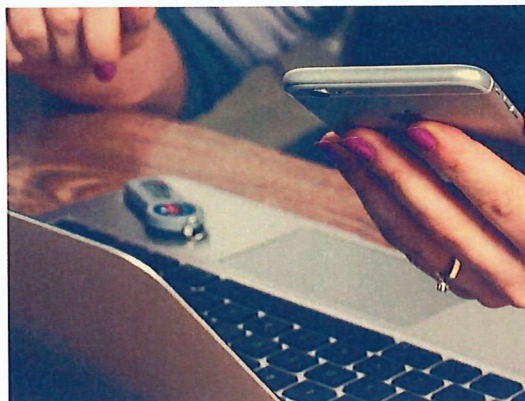
I will continue to assist planners and campaigners as they look to match the £100 million already pledged by the Government, and have written to every MP in the East of England urging them to do the same.

### **Boosting signal in South Cambridgeshire**



As many people continue to work from home, I want to ensure everyone has the tools they need to work effectively, including a strong mobile phone signal.

Last week, I co-ordinated a letter signed by the heads of South Cambridgeshire's Life Science campuses addressed to the UK's top mobile network operators. We need them to support our local life scientists by extending the Shared Rural Network to our area as quickly as possible.



### Clarity on the location of the East-West Railway line



One of the more contentious issues facing residents is the location of the new East-West Railway line.

I believe there are also good arguments for the station be north of Cambourne and follow the route of the A428. This would lead to less disruption to villages and the environment.

I have written to ministers on this subject and arranged meetings with East-West rail for local authority councillors and the Cambridge Approaches group. I will continue to work with Parish Councils and other groups to ensure residents have their say on this pressing issue.

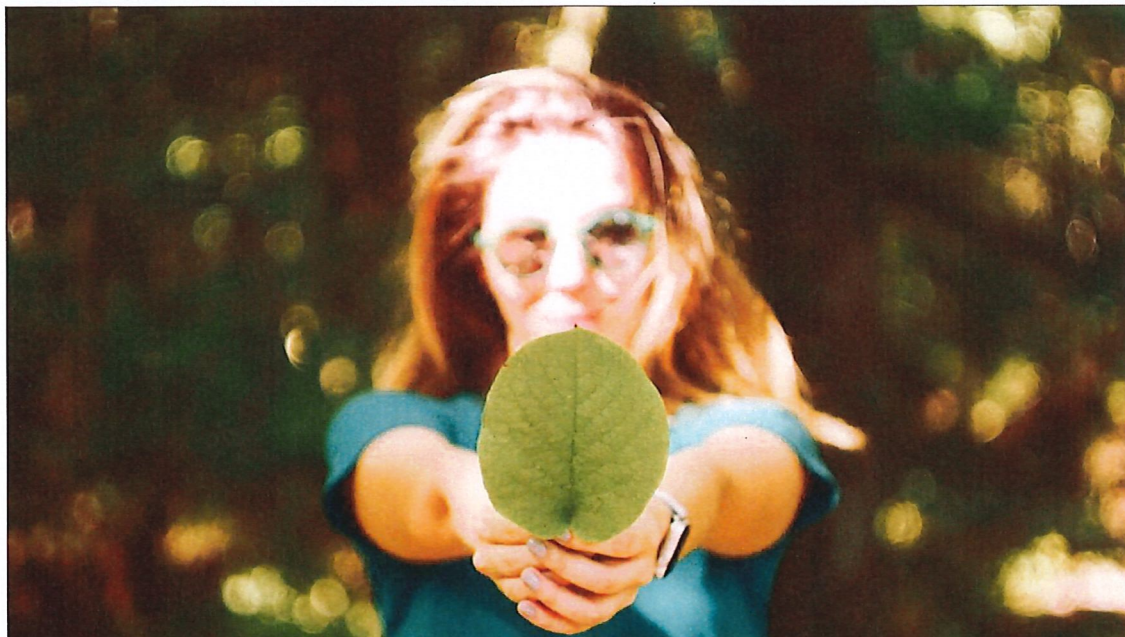
### Backing British farming in the House of Commons



I was able to show my support for our local farmers as part of Back British Farming day.

One of my priorities is to back our local farmers through the Brexit transition period, and that means ensuring we maintain good animal welfare standards in our trade deals.

This is a topic I covered in my maiden speech, underlining its importance, and I am continuing to work with my colleagues in Government to guarantee this is reflected in both current trade negotiations and future legislation.



Click above to see how to join my **Environmental Forum** at 15:00 on Thursday 8 October.

**IN PARLIAMENT**



I very much welcome your thoughts on House business, and if there are issues close to your heart you would like to hear me speak on please let me know.

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### **Secretary of State praises Cambridge University Hospitals**



I am truly grateful for the work being done by Cambridge University Hospitals here in South Cambridgeshire, something which was echoed by Matt Hancock, Secretary of State for Health in the House of Commons last month.

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### **Faster diagnosis for Axial Spondyloarthritis**





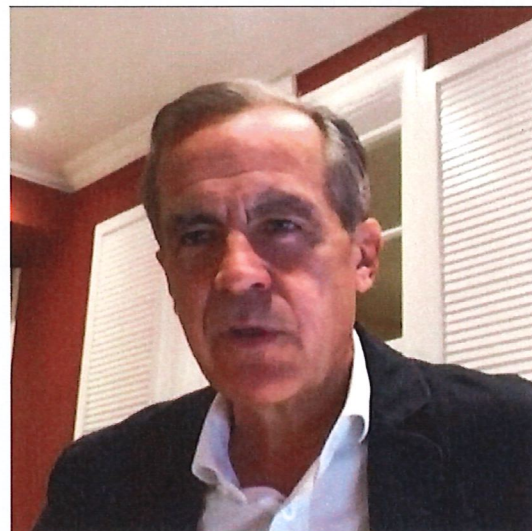
One of the great privileges of being an MP is the chance to voice concerns that may not normally receive a hearing. This was particularly relevant this month when speaking in a debate called by my colleague Tom Randall on Axial Spondyloarthritis, a painful chronic condition that is often diagnosed too late.

I was honoured to speak on behalf of a constituent who suffers from the condition, Frances Reid, and join the call for faster, more efficient diagnosing of this illness.

### Questioning Mark Carney on a green recovery

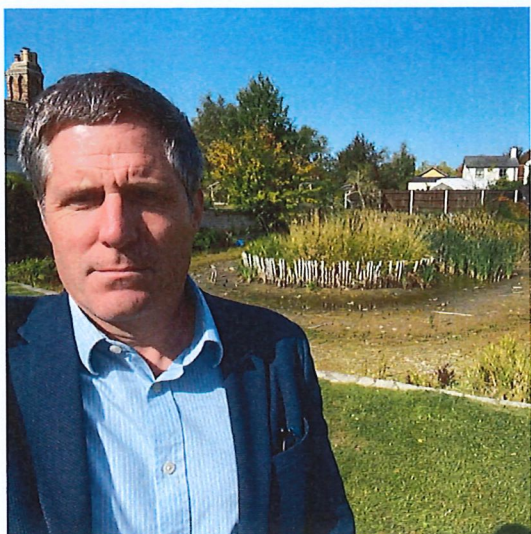
As Chair of the Environment All-Party Parliamentary Group, I led a Q&A with Mark Carney, former Governor of the Bank of England and now Finance Advisor to COP26, on how we can build back greener following the pandemic.

A green recovery will not only benefit South Cambridgeshire but plays to our strengths, with innovative new businesses and nature-friendly farmers playing vital roles in our local economy. To hear more about this, join my Environment Forum on Thursday.



### Saving our chalk streams from over-extraction





I also held meetings with Water Resources East and the Cam Valley Forum as we continue a dialogue with the Department for the Environment, Farming and Rural Affairs on how best to protect our Chalk Streams from over-extraction.

I also want to take this opportunity to put to bed much online speculation - I can confirm I am a Vice-Chair of the APPG on Chalk Streams and will be working with them to find a national solution to this problem.

### What is your strategy, Prime Minister?

Despite the continuing efforts of the doctors and scientists working in the constituency, Coronavirus remains part of our lives.

I was able to ask the Prime Minister to confirm his strategy on the floor of the House of Commons Chamber. He confirmed his intention to suppress the virus and reduce deaths until a vaccine or highly effective treatment arrives, such as the ones that the brilliant researchers of South Cambridgeshire are working on.







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