

AGENDA ITEM No. 13

CAMBOURNE TOWN COUNCIL

District of South Cambridgeshire

Council Meeting 6th July 2021

Correspondence

The below schedule is a summary of correspondence circulated by the Town Clerk to Councillors

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13.1	Greater Cambridge Planning	Email- South Cambs Tree Wardens Network Newsletter
13.2	A Resident	Email- Knapwell Cycle Path
13.3	Stephen Kelley- Joint director for Planning and Economic Development	Making (adoption) of the Cottenham Neighbourhood Plan and the Histon & Impington Neighbourhood Plan

Correspondence circulated since the last meeting by email

FROM	SUBJECT
CAPALC	Email- June Bulletin
Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority	Email- Combined Authority Update - Issue 1
Greater Cambridge Partnership	Email -GCP Executive Board Meeting - Thursday 01 July 2021
East West Rail	Email- Thank you- Consultation Response

Dear Parish Clerk or Tree Warden,

I hope this newsletter finds you well and there is something of interest below!

Your local Tree Warden will not receive this directly - please forward and pass to any party you think would be interested in your parish.

Call for oak timber - can one of your local land owners help?

The Sutton Hoo Ship's Company is trying to source some oak trees to enable their project to recreate the historical ship. Please see the attached article about the project. The type and shape/form of trees need is very specific and similar to that of the rebuilding of Notre Dame, who are hunting for large quantities of French oak.

The ship builders are looking for quality oak trees which are free of knots, mostly straight, some curved but of the correct curvature, no twists but a few with the correct twist! If someone in your locality is felling oak, using it in this project may be a positive outcome.

The Queen's Green Canopy 2022

HM The Queen is the RFS Patron. Next year marks the 70th (platinum) anniversary of her reign. Past RFS President, HRH The Prince of Wales has urged the public to 'Plant a Tree for the Jubilee' in 2022. The result will be known as The Queen's Green Canopy.

The Royal Forestry Society Junior Forester Award

The RFS will be helping schoolchildren and young people to get involved in the Platinum Jubilee through a special celebratory version of our Junior Forester Award, which will be launched this summer.

Forestry Innovation Funds

Woods into Management (WiM) Forestry Innovation Funds are now open. WiM funds are being launched as part of the Government's Nature for Climate Fund. The WiM Forestry Innovation Funds aim to restore vulnerable woodland habitats and help woodlands adapt to a changing climate and recover from the impacts of pests and diseases.

What is Observatree ...

... and how does it help our trees? Discover more about this citizen science project on this guest post on the FC's blog.

Regards,

Trees Team | Built & Natural Environment

Good afternoon,

I am emailing with regards to the cycle path between Cambourne and the bridge just before the BP garage on St Neots road. I have attached some pictures.

I have been in discussion with Highways England with regards to getting this stretch repaired as it is currently unusable by cyclists and is a hazard to use on foot by runners etc.

Highways have suggested that they can help with the repair, however we would need the support of yourselves as a proportion of the cost will have to be raised. This is the response I received from Highways:

Thank you for your email.

The change of pavement designation to a joint cycle pedestrian pavement suggestion is a highways improvement suggestion. In order for highways spend public monies on any improvements they have to show that there is public support for this. Also we would need partial funding to help towards the cost. Therefore such improvement bids would come through Cambourne Town council. There are details on the below link about what we refer to as a Local Highways Improvement Initiative(LHI). Please contact Cambourne Town council. council in the first instance for them to take your ideas forward.

<https://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/residents/travel-roads-and-parking/roads-and-pathways/improving-your-local-highway/>

Please note that in future you can report Highways faults directly to Cambridgeshire Highways by using following link - [Report a highways problem - Roadworks & faults - Cambridgeshire County Council](#)

We must advise you that your information will be entered on to our database and may be shared within Cambridgeshire County Council departments.

I was hoping that as Town Council you would be open to submitting an improvement bid and applying for South Cambridgeshire District Councils 'Zero Carbon Communities Grant' which provide funding for projects just like this.

With the path repaired, the hope is that commuters can get off the dangerous fast road and back on the cycle path, and that having a quality path will encourage people to cycle in/towards Cambridge rather than relying on personal or public transport.

I hope that together we can help solve this issue for the people of Cambourne and surrounding villages.

Please let me know your thoughts and let me know if you have any queries.

Kind regards





Response from the Town Clerk to the resident

Thank you for your email your email I will take this to the next Council meeting at the beginning of July. The path is outside the town boundaries and comes under Knapwell.

There was some elements in the West Cambourne s106 for path/cycle way improvements on St Neots Road, but I am not sure about trigger points.

John Vickery

From: Neighbourhood Planning <Neighbourhood.Planning@greatercambridgeplanning.org>
Sent: 09 June 2021 18:06
To: Neighbourhood Planning <Neighbourhood.Planning@greatercambridgeplanning.org>
Subject: FW: Making (adoption) of the Cottenham Neighbourhood Plan and the Histon & Impington Neighbourhood Plan

Dear Sir / Madam

I am writing to inform you that South Cambridgeshire District Council made (adopted) both the Cottenham Neighbourhood Plan and the Histon & Impington Neighbourhood Plan on 20 May 2021, and therefore these Neighbourhood Plans now forms part of the development plan for South Cambridgeshire.

Cottenham Neighbourhood Plan

This plan sets out a range of planning policies which cover many issues that are considered important to the local community. This includes policies for conserving the village character; providing more housing; improving the amenities and facilities in the village and encouraging employment. Information about the Neighbourhood Plan is available to view on our website: www.scambs.gov.uk/CottenhamNP

Histon & Impington Neighbourhood Plan

This plan sets out a range of planning policies which cover many issues that are considered important to the local community. This includes policies for conserving the essential village character; meeting local housing needs; protecting important green spaces in the village and encouraging a successful economy. Information about the Neighbourhood Plan is available to view on our website: <https://www.scambs.gov.uk/HistonImpingtonNP>

If you would like further information, or have any questions, please contact us by emailing neighbourhood.planning@greatercambridgeplanning.org or calling 01954 713183.

Yours faithfully

Stephen Kelly