

# CAMBOURNE TOWN COUNCIL

District of South Cambridgeshire

Council Meeting 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2021

## Town Clerks Report

Below is a short update on activities since the 5<sup>th</sup> October 2021. Some elements are covered by separate agenda items.

- Webinar for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarterly meeting with Parishes and Area 3 with Cambridge City and South Cambridgeshire District Councils. (SCDC)
- Meetings with various parties and the Sport Development Officer (Football) regarding the development of football in Cambourne including inclusive training sessions, walking football and Norwich City FC.
- Further conversations with Duncan Mason of New-Crest, Ed Durrant, Associate Planner, Pegasus Group and Anne Ainsworth Chief Operating Officer South Cambs District Council regarding the development of the High Street.
- Discussions with Claire Coates Principal at Cambourne Village College regarding access to the College. Work is progressing on improving the situation.
- Meeting and further discussions with Anne Ainsworth, Chief Operating Officer South Cambs District Council. This was to discuss the business Park development and other matters in Cambourne including West Cambourne this was very positive.
- Meeting and discussions with Lindsay Cordall, Partner, Randall Thorp LLP regarding future maintenance of the first phase of infrastructure land in West Cambourne around the Entrance Lake. This will be due October 2022.



Entrance Park West Cambourne 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2021

- Further meetings with the Community Development Officer and Business Development Team (Reopening High Street safely project) from South Cambs District Council regarding a Christmas Market in Cambourne. It is planned to hold this on the High Street rather than on the Business Park.
- Meeting with Andrew Wright, Design and Planning Manager, Taylor Wimpey East Anglia Ltd and Kamjit Chana, Ellipsis regarding West Cambourne. Regarding work on the delivery of the infrastructure going forward.
- Further discussions and progress meetings for the new Youth Building. The contractors are progressing well with and have caught up on the delay from the supply issue with the steelwork. They are currently on schedule for completion on the 11<sup>th</sup> February 2021.



Progress as of 27<sup>th</sup> October 2021

# Community Development Update

## September events

- Supported the football tournament and launch of the new club Cambourne Town FC on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> & Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> September. Both days were well attended with clubs from Cambridgeshire, Suffolk and Essex attending. Lots of positive feedback was received. The tournament committee will be meeting imminently to discuss the successes and improvements that can be made for next year's tournament. The CDO will support Owen Baker (Football Development Officer) with organising the tournament next year with the club.
- Cambourne Community Fete was a huge success – the sun was shining, and it was certainly the best turnout we have had at the fete as residents celebrated the return of community events in Cambourne. We raised £2259.52 which will be split with Light Up Cambourne, Army Cadets and Cambourne Scout Group. Thank you to Councillors that volunteered their time to help at Town Council stalls and activities.
- The Cambourne 10k took place on Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> September (usually takes place in April). Although smaller scale to previous years with less runners, it was great to keep the event going as the course is known to be challenging yet enjoyable. The CDO will continue to support the 10k committee with organising the April 2022 event which is due to start in the next few weeks.



## Skatepark Update

- Work began on site the week commencing 11<sup>th</sup> October and the contractors are working hard to build the ramps. At the time of writing the framework had been installed and one section of the ramps has had the plywood base installed. Once all the plywood base is installed the Skatelite can be installed on top. The new ramps will then be tested out to ensure everything has been safely installed. The contractors are keeping us up to date on estimated completion date.



### Cambourne Food Project

- CDO has been supporting Cambourne resident Mahesh Hettiarachchi set up a community shop/foodbank. The launch took place on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> October. The project is set up in the Hub Community Room (old office) and will run every Wednesday from 11am until 2pm. It is not just for Cambourne residents, it can be used by villages in the surrounding areas and is being supported and promoted by South Cambs District Council to reach other residents in the district. Food and products have been donated and is available at a much more affordable price than what a standard shop would sell at. Food parcels can be given at volunteer's discretion if a person doesn't have any money to donate. Attendees will also be signposted for additional support.



### SCDC Outdoor Christmas Market in Cambourne

- Currently supporting the Re-opening High Street Business Support team at SCDC who are organising the Outdoor Christmas Market. They decided to host the event on the High Street here in Cambourne. The Outdoor Christmas Market will be held on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> December from 12pm to 6pm. The day will be full of festive fun with local businesses from South Cambridgeshire selling their products, a brass band, variety of hot food and drink, funfair and children's craft activities – the Town Council is hosting this in a marquee. We have been helping the organisation process by recommending reliable local businesses from previous experience with events as well as providing useful contacts and information.



### Volunteers Thank You Evening

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> December from 7pm in the Hub Main Hall.

It is

**RECOMMENDED** that the reports be received.