

## Cllr Shrobona Bhattacharya March 2022 District Report

Cllr Bhattacharya asked Liz Watt, Chief Executive at South Cambridgeshire District Council for updates on the items in bold. Please see the report below:

- **Status of Cambourne High Street Development**

Following discussions between the developers, Town Council, LPA and the COO of the Council, we have a meeting arranged in March to review where we are at with the plans for the High Street, with the intention of agreeing a way forward and next steps.

- **Status of the proposed development of the land at the business park (and vehicular access to West Cambourne)**

The SCIP development at the Business Park is in the master-planning phase. We have spent more time on this than we originally planned, in order to ensure the design we will ultimately take to planning committee reflects the high level of aspiration SCIP have for the site. The pre-app process will begin in March and we hope to submit an application for planning in the summer/early autumn.

We have been in conversations with the Town Council about the Bio-diversity targets we have for the site, and whether these could be off-set by working in partnership with the Town Council to improve the bio-diversity of other land within Cambourne.

With regards to the Road, we have had several discussions with the Headteacher at the School, and recognise the current challenges that the changes to the design of Cambourne West have presented. In relation to the SCIP development it has always been the intention, since SCIP purchased the site, that the Business Park Road will provide public transport, cycle and pedestrian access through to Cambourne West and this is still incorporated within the developing design for the site.

In recognition of the difficulties the school are currently dealing with, we have arranged a meeting of relevant officers of the LPA and are also meeting with colleagues from Taylor Wimpey to talk through the current position.

- **Status of civil parking enforcement plans (<https://www.scambs.gov.uk/civil-parking-enforcement-plans-backed-by-cabinet/>)**

At the February meeting of SCDC's Cabinet they gave their formal support to Cambridgeshire County Council making an application to the Department for Transport (DfT) to implement Civil Parking Enforcement (CPE) across the district. This will transfer enforcement powers from the Police, who are not able to resource this activity, to the County Council to help address concerns raised locally over illegal and inconsiderate parking. This is a significant step, but there are still a number of steps to complete, including DfT assessing the application. Subject to DfT agreement and processes, it is currently expected that CPE could be implemented around October 2023.

- **Status of Community Safety Partnership**

South Cambs CSP commissions a strategic assessment and reviews data and professional concern at least quarterly. Priority areas currently include Cambourne, as per our recent visit to a meeting of the Town Council.

Our Community Safety Officer, Linda Gallagher, will be sending an email to stakeholders, including Cambourne Town Council (as promised at the meeting) inviting them to a 'stakeholder meeting' in March to look at facilitating community-led action with regard to the known crime and ASB-related activity in the area. To this end, recruitment of an Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner (OPCC) -funded project officer is underway – interviews mid-March.

In other CSP business:

- The Problem Solving Groups (PSG) of which there are two (one for adults and one for children and families) are to be reviewed by the CSP to ensure that sufficient appropriate cases are being addressed and that this is the best way to address them.
- All other statutory obligations are being met, including delivery of 4 Domestic Homicide Reviews.