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South Cambs DC plans budget for the year ahead and promises greener future



Following a South Cambridgeshire District Council meeting on 21st February the Budget plans for the forthcoming year were approved.

Priorities included reducing fly-tipping, promoting a cleaner, greener future and supporting local residents and businesses with the cost of living.

■ *Key initiatives for residents include:*

- Reducing fly-tipping hotspots through cameras and prompt investigation into dumped rubbish reports
- Civil Parking Enforcement in South Cambridgeshire, working with Cambridgeshire County Council and the Greater Cambridge Partnership
- Helping older people live independently in their homes for longer with a new Mobile Warden scheme
- Supporting the health and wellbeing of residents with grants for local projects
- Continued support for the Homes for

Ukraine scheme

■ *Goals for helping businesses include:*

- Supporting start-ups and small businesses growth
- Advising businesses on how to become greener
- Promoting local businesses, offering tailored support and resources, as well as identifying funding opportunities
- Continuing to support and help establish South Cambridgeshire local markets

■ *In line with the council's 'green to the core' goals, there are plans to:*

- Address water scarcity in Greater Cambridge by working with Cambridge City Council, the water industry and others
- Distribute up to £125,000 as part of the Council's annual Zero Carbon Communities grant scheme
- Provide grants to villages for more tree-planting

- Award up to £50,000 in grants to help with the installation of electric vehicle charging points at village halls and community buildings
- Continue with plans for a solar farm to power electric bin lorries at the Waterbeach depot of the Council's Greater Cambridge Shared Waste service with Cambridge City Council
- Replace diesel bin lorries as they come to the end of their working lives with low-emission vehicles, or those powered by alternative fuels such as biofuel.

According to SCDC, the Budget outlines how the Council is well underway with an ambitious four-year transformation programme to improve the quality of services while making the most efficient use of funds as possible. The programme is forecast to deliver £2m in savings in the next three years.

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Repair Cafe returns



Cambourne Repair Cafe will return on Saturday 25 March, 11am - 2pm

■ See page 6 for more...

Get creative this April



The Big Squiggle will take place on 4th April at Cambourne Soul

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Fundraising for EACH



Cavendish Court residents raise money for Children's Hospices

■ Find out more on page 23...

CAMBOURNE CRIER

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www.cambournecrier.org

CAMBOURNE TOWN COUNCIL

■ **The Big Squiggle****Volunteers Needed**

The Easter holidays Big Squiggle is a few weeks away and we need volunteers to help with managing some of the arts & crafts tables. Can you spare a few hours to help? On Tuesday 4th April, 11am – 2pm at Cambourne Soul (youth building). The themes for the arts & crafts activities are: Spring, Easter, Eid and Earth Day. This is a free event organised by Cambourne Town Council and supported by a wonderful team of volunteers.

■ **Street Trading Calendar**

You may notice a few more street traders popping up in Cambourne, and expect more to come as the warmer weather approaches.

We now have a calendar available on the Town Council website so you can see which traders are booked in each week.

Please visit:

cambournetowncouncil.gov.uk/street-trading-calendar

■ **Cambourne 10K**

Only four weeks to go until Cambourne 10K and 1 mile Fun Run. Sunday 2nd April at Cambourne Business Park. The event is organised by Cambridge & Coleridge Athletics Club and Cambourne Town Council. There is still time to sign up, you can enter now, visit:

www.cambridgeandcoleridge.org.uk/camb-ridge-cambourne-10k-and-fun-run

Road Closures:

The race starts at 9.30am therefore School Lane (entrance/exit of Lower Cambourne) will be closed from 9am for the duration of the race so that runners can safely cross. The diversion will be in place to enter Cambourne from the main entrance along the A428.

Beaufort Road will not be closed; however it will be marshalled to allow runners to safely cross so please expect delays and leave with plenty of time if you need to be somewhere.

Welkin Way junction with Brace Dein will be closed for access until the runners have passed.

■ **Council Email addresses**

If you have recently sent an email to any @cambournetowncouncil.gov.uk account, we currently do not have access/are not receiving these emails.

If you are waiting for a response, please resend to the relevant email address:

- clerk@cambourneparishcouncil.gov.uk

- office@cambourneparishcouncil.gov.uk

CALENDAR OF MEETINGS**March - April 2023**

Tuesday 7th March

Time: 7.00pm

Planning Committee

Followed by Full Council Meeting

Tuesday 21st March

Time: 7.00pm

Planning Committee

Followed by Finance and Planning Committee

Tuesday 4th April

Time: 7.00pm

Planning Committee followed by Full Council Meeting

BIN COLLECTIONS:

(Correct at the time of publication)

Black Bin: Thursday 9th and 23rd March and 6th April.

Blue/Green Bins: Thurs 16th and 30th March and Saturday 15th April

More information:

www.scambs.gov.uk/recycling

MOBILE POST OFFICE:

The Hub Car Park Mondays:

1.30pm-4:00pm

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**The Town Council Office:**

The Hub, High Street, Cambourne, CB23 6GW.

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or email office@cambournetowncouncil.gov.uk

John Vickery, Parish Clerk: clerk@cambournetowncouncil.gov.uk

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SOUTH CAMBS DISTRICT COUNCIL

2023 SCDC Budget

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■ Council Tax

A below inflation increase of £5 per year in Council Tax (for an average band D home) will ensure essential frontline services will continue to be delivered effectively. This will rise to £165.31 per year for a band D home - an increase of around 10p per week. The rise continues to maintain the Council's position in the lowest 25% of taxing District Councils in the country.

South Cambridgeshire District Council's Lead Cabinet Member for Resources, Cllr John Williams, commented: "Councils are always having to find ways to do more with less money and we are happy that our budget contains a wide range of support to residents and businesses in South Cambridgeshire. Raising our small share of Council Tax by a below inflation



increase of £5 a year means we can continue delivering key services that residents rely on."

■ Housing

The Council's Housing Revenue Account – which is a ringfenced account used to maintain its stock of around 5,600 Council homes – has its own budget targets. Highlights include:

- Target to build at least 75 new energy-efficient Council homes to be delivered every year.
- During the next two years, more than £2million will be allocated to continue work

to retrofit the Council's existing housing stock, as part of ongoing carbon reduction efforts.

■ Further Information

For further information contact Tom Horn in South Cambridgeshire District Council's communications team on tom.horn@scambs.gov.uk or the political contacts below:

Cllr John Williams (Liberal Democrat) on 01223 880940 or cllr.williams@scambs.gov.uk Cllr Heather Williams (Conservative) on 07885 774775 or cllr.williamsh@scambs.gov.uk

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Cambourne Library

Opening times

Monday 9am - 5pm, Tuesday 9am - 1pm,
Wednesday closed, Thursday 4pm- 7pm,
Friday 9am - 5pm, Saturday 9am - 1pm, Sunday closed

Welcome - Are you a new arrival to the UK and Cambridgeshire, or do you know someone who is? Cambridgeshire Libraries website has a page with lots of useful information and support. Search for "Libraries of Sanctuary - Cambridgeshire County Council" to find out about housing, internet access, learning English and more.

Drop in to choose some books, stay to read, use our free WiFi or a library computer, or join in one of our social activities. If you are looking for advice on cost-of-living support and have missed any of our drop in sessions, staff will be happy to signpost you to information including a lot of organisations who can offer support and advice.

We now have the Cambridgeshire Guide to Independent Living 2023 in the library, so come and pick up a copy if this sounds useful for you. The library is a great place for anyone looking for information on all kinds of local services, events and activities - we'll be pleased to help you.

Silent Reading Group Drop-in sessions in Cambourne Library 11.30am - 12.30pm every last Wednesday of the month during

term time. This is an opportunity for adults to gather in our warm comfortable library and read silently in company. Bring a book from home, download a book or borrow one from the library and relax with a nice cuppa from the library staff.

March is Women's History Month, which includes International Women's Day, so we'll be highlighting some of our best titles by and about women around the world.

Engage -Wednesday 5th April 2pm - 3.30pm Please ask at reception for details of our next enthralling talk. It will be followed by tea/coffee and biscuits. Everyone welcome.

Digital Assistance - Our computer buddying volunteers have proven to be a huge success and are ready to welcome you at Cambourne Library every Monday. If you need any help with using your laptop or tablet, either a 'how do I' question or help with a particular task, assistance will be available between 1.00 - 3.00 pm. Please pre-book a session with library staff.

Lend IT Laptops - We now have laptops available for loan. You need to be a member of Cambridgeshire Libraries and then can borrow a laptop for 7 days at a time. If you don't have data to connect to the internet you can use CambWifi hotspots around Cambridgeshire. For further information please ask at the library.

Rhymetime/Storytime - Our popular sessions for babies and pre-schoolers and their parents/carers continue on Fridays alternately in term-time at 9.30 am. Ask at reception for details.

Wildlife Trust March 2023

Cambourne Nature Reserve is a special place, not only does it allow all types of people to get close to nature, but it also has some interesting and unusual species. Here are some favourites:

Snipe - these wading birds hang out in the marshy areas around Whomping Willow Lake (so ensure dogs stay under control or on leads in this area so as not to disturb them).

Great crested newt - on the move on warm nights in spring, this is our largest native newt; they look black out of water. The males attract a mate by doing a dance in the water and wafting a cologne-like chemical towards them with their tail. Newts wrap their eggs individually in leaves in ponds. Please keep dog out of ponds and lakes as they can disturb eggs, release pesticides in the water from worming and flea treatments, and disturb



sediment which settles on underwater plants, preventing them from oxygenating the water

Wasp spider - a harmless spider with fake warning black and yellow colours that mimic a wasp; they may look big and scary but will not bite.

Grass snakes - the only type of wild snake in Cambourne is the harmless

grass snake; they feed on amphibians so can sometimes be seen swimming in the lakes; they are not venomous.

Daubenton's bats can be seen on still nights from April to October, they specialise in catching insects over water. Join a night walk later in the year to see these and listen to them hunt via echolocation picked up on bat detectors.

And finally our 2023 Photography Competition is now open - take a look and get snapping! www.wildlifebcn.org/get-involved/photo-competition

If you want to know more about your local wildlife, please come on a walk, family session or funded short-course; contact me on email

rebecca.neal@wildlifebcn.org;
www.wildlifebcn.org/events

You can help keep the wilder green spaces around Cambourne great for wildlife and people by volunteering on our monthly work parties

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Repair Cafe: 25 March

Cambourne Repair Cafe will return on Saturday 25 March between 11am and 2pm. The Repair Cafe is being held as part of an Eco Festival being organised by Cambourne Village College, and will be one of a number of activities occurring on the day. Further details can be viewed at www.cambournetowncouncil.gov.uk/cambourne-repair-cafe including a link to book a repair slot at the Cafe.

Repairers will be able to repair items in the following categories: electrical, electronic, mechanical, clothing and textiles, bikes, jewellery, sharpening, gluing and potentially woodwork. We cannot accept large appliances, microwaves, televisions, computer equipment and mobile phones.

Follow us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/cambournerepaircafe



Cambourne Catholic Church

St John Fisher Parish R.C Diocese of East Anglia

We are now in the time of Lent, a time of preparation, fasting and Almsgiving. At St John Fisher we are focusing on raising money for CAFOD (Catholic Agency for Overseas Development) and are planning a couple of sponsored walks and if you are interested please contact us via the email above marking it FAO Loretta Peck and Mel Ward.

Social events coming up St Patricks Night 18th March and later in the year a Bollywood night fundraiser.

Please note that we also offer First Communion and Confirmation lessons here in Cambourne. Please contact Fr John Minh on email or phone above.

For the Lenten Masses please check the website.

Contact details: cambournerc.com

Presbytery. 01223 832397

Mass times- Saturday Vigil Mass 5pm, Sunday 5pm. Monday- Wednesday. 12.30. Thursday and Friday 6.30pm

Święconka

**Holy Saturday 2pm
Cambourne Church- followed
by refreshments.**

**St Patrick's Party
18th March 6:30
Cambourne Church.**

**St John Fisher Catholic Church
Cambourne. All welcome.
Contact Mel Ward 07565972427
Or Fr John Minh 01223832397.
See our Facebook Page for more!**



The Big Squiggle

Cambourne Gets Creative!

**FREE admission for ALL ages
Exciting art and Craft activities**

Tuesday, 4th April 2023

11.00am – 2.00pm

Refreshments will be available

**Venue: Cambourne Soul
on Back Lane, Great Cambourne**

**Organised by Cambourne Town Council
and supported by volunteers**

Turn your home into a clean, green energy machine

Your home is your castle (or so the saying almost goes) and now it's also possible for your home to be a domestic goddess when it comes to reducing carbon emissions and harnessing the power of nature for heating and hot water. Infinite Heating & Energy explains.

The average UK household produces around 8.1 tonnes of carbon dioxide a year (from heating, electricity, transport, aviation and waste). The good news is that this has dropped from 12.8 tonnes but the government wants it to be even lower at 4.5 tonnes by 2030 (with tougher targets by 2050), so there's still work to be done.

Reducing the carbon footprint of our homes is a great place to start:

- Taking the right steps can save money on fuel bills
- You don't have to make changes to your lifestyle

We know that investing in a more environmentally friendly home can be daunting but we have the experience and knowledge to guide you through the process. For many people this journey starts when their boiler needs replacing, generally after around 15 years of service.

Instead of fitting a new gas boiler, our customers are benefitting from

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air source heat pumps linked to solar PV systems. This switch to a 'clean' low carbon heating system is well-suited to retrofitting into older 'new-build' homes such as those in Cambourne, with the solar PV providing power for the air source heat pump which in turns provides heating and hot water. The solar PV system also supplies electricity for lighting, appliances etc.

Grants

Financial help is available to smooth the switch from traditional fossil fuel heating systems to low carbon alternatives. The government's Boiler Upgrade Scheme (BUS) offers £5,000 to offset the cost and installation of air source heat pumps

installed by MCS-certified heating installers such as Infinite Heating & Energy.

Some banks have cash-back schemes for mortgage customers making their homes greener. Barclays is offering £2,000 towards an air source heat pump and £1,000 towards solar PV as long as the work is carried out by a Trustmark registered contractor such as Infinite Heating & Energy. Halifax and Lloyds are running similar initiatives. It's also worth noting that there's no VAT on the installation of heat pumps for the next four years.



Infinite Heating & Energy is a 5-star rated heating specialist with more than 15 years' experience of installing cost-effective, eco-friendly solutions from leading brands. We provide solutions including heat pumps, solar panels, underfloor heating and air conditioning.

COLUMNISTS



ANTHONY BROWNE

MP FOR SOUTH
CAMBRIDGESHIRE
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Opposing the Cambridge congestion charge

My work in Cambourne has often focused on better public transport, and I have welcomed the Government's £2 bus fares plan over the last few months.

I know many people across the constituency have benefited from this fare reduction. However, I am continuing to work on opposing the inappropriate plans for a congestion charge in Cambridge. The plan will unfairly penalise drivers who have no realistic alternative to driving through the new charging zone, imposing up to £1,300 in extra taxes each year on local shift workers, working parents, tradespeople, the frail,

the vulnerable and their carers. The proposed congestion charge effectively imposes a charge to use our city's hospitals, including Addenbrooke's and Royal Papworth Hospitals.

This will cause an additional difficulty for those who have long-term or regular treatment.

People undergoing treatment often have other significant financial challenges without the additional worries about an additional payment to the combined authority.

Cambourne deserves to have greater access to Cambridge, and I'll fight to ensure it gets just that.

If you have any comments or would like to let me have your opinions on the proposed congestion charge or any other issue which you believe I may be able to assist with, please contact me by email.



SHROBONA BHATTACHARYA

DISTRICT COUNCILLOR
Cllr.Bhattacharya@scambs.gov.uk

Public transport and Cambourne activities

I recently organised a consultation in Cambourne where Mr. David Boden, the Business Development Director (East) for Stagecoach, met with residents of South Cambridgeshire to discuss bus routes and financial viability.

During the consultation, residents expressed how important buses are in their lives. To ensure our requirements are being heard, another consultation will be organised in three months' time and I plan to run a questionnaire for residents to gather evidence on the importance of a good bus service in Cambourne and how we can restore all pre-COVID services.

I have also contacted the Cambs GP Network

to start an extra-hour's GP service in Cambourne, similar to services offered at several surgeries outside Cambourne. Additionally, I am planning to organise a consultation with the pharmacy, county members and residents in Cambourne.

As a response to the known shortage of STEM skills in the UK, my registered charity, CamCare UK, has taken several initiatives, including mentoring over 100 students regularly to gain computing skills, including robotics, maths, and engineering in the Blue Space, along with participating in various competitions.

Furthermore, I host a monthly tea party for Cambourne's senior and elderly residents and have many plans to work with them to make them feel better. Cambourne seniors will also be going to different tea rooms, national trust properties, and picnics around Cambridge. The first trip took place on Sunday 19th February.



CATHERINE PRICE

CAMBOURNE PARISH
NURSING SERVICE
nurse@cambournechurch.org.uk

Ovarian cancer awareness month

March is Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month. Every year 7,400 women in the UK are diagnosed with ovarian cancer.

Women over 50 who have been through the menopause are at higher risk, as are those with two or more relatives with a history of ovarian cancer.

Problems are not detected through a smear test so understanding the symptoms is important. Although there may be other less worrying causes. If any the following symptoms are happening regularly and are not normal for you they should be reported to your GP who may

arrange for a blood test and ultrasound scan to understand what may be causing them:

- Persistent bloating (a feeling of fullness in the abdomen which is there most of the time).
- Loss of appetite or feeling full more quickly than normal when eating.
- Pain in the abdomen (belly) or pelvic area.
- Feeling the need to urinate more often or needing to go more urgently than usual.

Other symptoms may include a change from normal bowel pattern, extreme tiredness (fatigue) or weight loss that is not expected. As always, the earlier any cancer is picked up the more likely it is, that it will be successfully treated.

■ **Reference/ further information:**
www.targetovariancancer.org.uk

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Time for tea and pancakes...

On 19th February, local charity CamCare UK organised a minibus excursion for seniors from the Cambourne community to a nearby tearoom. The purpose of the event was to provide an opportunity for seniors to socialise, enjoy refreshments, and explore different tearooms in the Cambourne area. The excursion was facilitated by Mrs Kerry Gorman, a local resident and tour operator for CamCare UK who volunteered for the event.

On the same day, CamCare also hosted a Pancake Festival and Race at the Great Cambourne Cricket Pavilion.

Pancake festival photos by Joanna Patterson-Cross.



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CAMBOURNE CHURCH

There is a story told of a lecturer who took a large glass jar and filled it to the brim with stones. He asked his students if the jar was full. They agreed, but then he added some fine gravel which filled the gaps between the stones. The jar was again declared to be full, but then some sand was added, and it settled into the tiny gaps which remained. Now at last the jar was full. But then a cup of coffee was poured on top, and it too found space in the jar without overflowing.

The lecturer declared that the lesson to learn was that we should focus on fitting the really big and important things into our lives first. If the gravel and sand had been put into the jar before the large stones then the stones would never have fitted. First the big things, then the lesser things, and finally there is always space for a coffee with a friend.

Lent, the forty days leading up to Easter, is a period of self-examination for Christians. It is about remembering what is most important, and re-ordering our lives in the light of what God has done for us in Jesus.

For many there is a practice of giving things up, like chocolate or alcohol. However, the purpose is not to deny ourselves pleasure, but rather to attempt the emptying the jar of our lives and our lifestyles so that the big important stones can find their place.

Rev'd Bill Miller

Services and events for March 2023

5th March

10.00am Communion Service with Young Church for children and Xtreme for young people

12th March

9.30am Communion Service
11.00am Communion Service with Young Church for children

19th March 9.30am Worship Service

11.00am Worship Service with Young Church for children and Xtreme for young people

26th March (Clocks go forward)

10.00am Worship Service with Young Church for children and Xtreme for young people
Followed by the Church AGM

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Peacehaven Baptist Church: Pastoral Thoughts

Some time apart.

A few months ago my doctor told me I needed some time away. A holiday, a change of scenery and to temporarily shed the responsibilities that we all bear. I was a little unsure of this as I have never taken an actual holiday in my adult life. Most of my travel had been work related up to this point.

So last month I had a choice of two destinations at very low prices. Either Malta or Turkey. I chose Malta thankfully for even though we had a storm like the one that shipwrecked the apostle Paul there there was no earthquake. We do pray for those affected.

The break I took helped with the cumulative stress to some degree. Just waking up and realising I had nothing I had to do and no one I had to speak to was liberating. In truth I had neglected a good principle over the years of taking time as they say to come apart before you come apart. We all need time of quiet. We all need a time of stillness. And because I did not even take my laptop even communications were limited with people.



Pastor
Donovan Bangs

However that gave me time to read and time to listen.

The Bible in Psalm 46 says be still and know that I am God. Sometimes our lack of stillness our busy lives interferes with our perception. Even Jesus himself often took time away from the crowds from the noise to quietly pray. I would recommend some time of peace when you can. You do not need to go to a foreign land. I could have accomplished the same thing in a tent in Cornwall. (Although it was February

and with the gear I would need for camping a hotel under renovation in Malta was actually cheaper). Even closer - take a walk in the country park, look around and consider how good we actually have it here. Two spots I like to pray are the hilltop in the early morning and the lake a little before sunset if I happen to be out and about. It makes me thankful that we can be here. I do pray that we all would be able to find a place of peace and that can start with the Prince of Peace.

Take care Cambourne.

Pastor Donovan Bangs



PEACEHAVEN BAPTIST CHURCH.

SUNDAY MORNINGS - 10am Sunday school
11 AM Morning Worship
or later online - find links on Facebook for Peacehaven Baptist Church or look for

Donovan Bangs on Youtube

At the Cambourne Community Centre, the Hub
Pastor Donovan Bangs 01954 710510
PeacehavenBC@aol.com peacehavenbc.org.uk



EDUCATION

The Vine explores fairy tales in the great outdoors

THE VINE INTER-CHURCH PRIMARY has had a very busy start to the year for the pre-school children.

This term they looked at classic tales and enjoyed sharing the story of Jack and the Beanstalk, The Gingerbread Man and Goldilocks and the Three Bears.

The children enjoyed taking their learning outside to make different sized beds and build bridges in the woods as well as exploring different textures and how ingredients change when mixed together by making our own gingerbread men and porridge.

The pupils also enjoyed learning different maths and phonics skills with capacity and length in maths and the silly soup rhyming game in phonics being firm favourites.





Preschool & Reception places available for September 2023

Have you chosen your Preschool or Reception place yet?

Would you like your child to access full wrap around care?

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after a busy start to the year in which Year 11 sat their second round of mock exams and Year 9 chose their subjects to study at GCSE; in March we will be celebrating the first school musical-theatre production to be held in our newly-completed Performance Hall. Pupils have been rehearsing since October for the four performances of Chicago and are very

excited about performing for the first time in our theatre, between 1st and 4th March. Tickets are available via the school website.

This facility for the school and wider Cambourne Community has been made possible by the efforts of the Cambourne Village College Charitable Trust, and the generosity of many donors and supporters, all of whom were invited to a special performance of Chicago.

The Trust's focus has now turned to the last phase of the project, in which we seek to raise a final £30,000 to build storage for the theatre and to install a cinema projector in the new Sixth Form Centre Lecture Hall. This will then become a

venue for Community Cinema from 2024.

To launch this final fund-raising effort, the Trust has organised a Grand Raffle. We're grateful to the many local organisations who have donated generous prizes; details of these and tickets at £1 are available via our website and on this link, until the end of term: search for Cambourne Village College Charitable Trust Grand Raffle on peoplesfundraising.com

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Monkfield Primary's Eco Club raising awareness

MONKFIELD PARK PRIMARY

passionately believes that children have a voice and that their ideas and opinions should help to shape our school. This month our Eco Club members have written a report. The Eco Club began around five years ago and has been a great success, with achievements like going to London to ask Anthony Browne our local MP, to reduce the use of non-recyclable plastics.

Our panel consists of 13 young, determined pupils who are trying to make the world a better, more eco-friendly place.



At the start of the year, our members are nominated by their classmates.

Eco Club organises many activities every year including last year's 'Switch off

Fortnight', where we advised everyone to turn their lights off when not in use. At a school assembly everyone was encouraged to switch off the lights as well. We are looking forward to greater participation in future events and also becoming more environmentally aware. After hosting a recent environmental review, we found many positives as well as room for improvement. Next on the horizon is an Eco festival and a meeting with our wonderful school caterers to discuss how to reduce waste.

Jeavons Wood experiences life in the World War

JEAVONS WOOD PRIMARY: One of our favourite Year 6 topics is World War I and II, the highlight of which was spending the day at Stibbington near Peterborough to find out what it would be like as an evacuee. Our day began on arrival at the train station where we met two teachers who explained what would happen to us now that we had been evacuated. After a walk through the village to familiarise ourselves with our new surroundings, we arrived at the school where we filled out our identification cards and learnt more

about the jobs being done to support the war effort. After such a busy morning, we were all keen to have lunch – jam, cheese and spam sandwiches. Not everyone was fond of the spam but the spice cake was delicious! After a playtime spent trying out the hoops and stilts, it was time to return to the classroom where we listened to a message from Princess Elizabeth and did our best handwriting and arithmetic using ink pens and ink wells. These were quite messy and it took a lot longer than writing with modern day pens! We even had to go to the air raid shelter when the siren went and sang songs such as, 'It's a long way to Tipperary' to keep us calm. It was a fantastic experience but we all agreed that a school day at Jeavons Wood is much better than one during WWII.



EDUCATION

Character is key

Educating otherwise: One great thing about home education is the holistic approach that can be taken to not just what you may classify as education, but in reality the forming of a new member of society. As parents, you need to give more than just information, but instill into the next generation a system of values.

The value system you live out in front of them will be transferred to some degree. Information is easy to get, but finding people of integrity and reliability is far more valuable. Qualifications are nice to get a job, but if a person has no work ethic, chances are that keeping that job will not be great. I hear from some of my friends who hire people for work and a lot of the new kids simply do not show up. No call, no explanation no courtesy or communication. It may be a lack of respect for authority, or perhaps a lack of training for responsibility. But how do we train our children for responsibility?

One method I have used is setting tasks for the child. All are reasonable and well within the capabilities of the individual. Timelines and consequences for failure are mutually agreed then I leave them to it. If I come back at the appointed time and it is not done (barring external circumstances) then whatever consequences were agreed to will trigger, whether it is no computer time or added tasks, or loss of some other privilege. That part must be done consistently, rationally and reasonably. This teaches actions to have consequences and the value of keeping your word. Mutual, honest, respectful communication in your words and deeds teaches more than you know.

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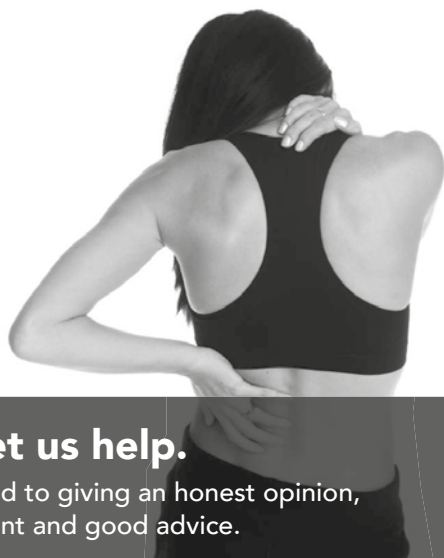
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Cambourne residents encouraged to voice concerns about increase in flight traffic

On 19th October 2020 a public consultation was hosted by London Luton Airport (LLA) and National Air Traffic Services (NATS) regarding a new holding pattern -'stack' to serve LLA. Feedback was invited until 5th February 2021, after which a formal Airport Charge Proposal was on the cards for submission to the Civil Aviation Authority (CAA) in June 2021; and if successful its implementation would start in February 2022.

The reality is approximately 24,000 low altitude jets entering Cambourne's airspace since March 2022 using the new approach to LLA and causing serious disturbances to residents. Further negative impact was caused by additional use outside of Luton and Stanstead as well as extended nighttime operations, neither of which was in the consultation.

The post-implementation review is being run by the programme sponsors LLA and NATS. The application to expand LLA operations could result in a flight every two minutes for 21 hours daily, impacting our communities. The post implementation review ends on 31st May 2023 and the design will be approved permanently if no or a few objections are received.

It was against this backdrop that RELAS (Reject Luton Airport Stacking) was formed in February 2022 to alert everyone to the changes to aircraft stacking routes into LLA known as 'Air Deployment 6' - AD6 which resulted in increased noise pollution in previously quiet towns and villages. This is set to increase alongside LLA's plans to expand operations.

RELAS claims AD6 was poorly designed, with insufficient consultation, resulting in severe airspacing issues but says it's not too late to reverse these changes. An ongoing review - either to



improve or abandon AD6 has been extended to September 2023 and is now supported by a number of local ministers and councillors across the region.

Anthony Browne MP has taken his concerns about the increase in flights over villages in his constituency to the Minister for Aviation, Baroness Vere, along with Richard Fuller. Residents have written to Mr Browne reporting changes to their quality of life because of flightpath changes, resulting in sleepless nights and even relapses into PTSDA. His meeting with the Minister and officials has led to a commitment to reviewing the CAP1616 process, which governs changing airspace to ensure there is a more independent review once new flightpaths are implemented.

The CAA has agreed to extend the post implementation review into the flightpaths. This process, which allows residents to feed back having lived for a while under the changes, will now close three months later than planned in September 2023, so the effects can be seen over the busy summer holiday period.

Mr Browne said: "It is important that LLA, NATS and the CAA do not overlook the concerns of residents, nor neglect the human impact of their projects.

"At the heart of this campaign are residents who are suffering, some of whom moved into our area to avoid exactly this kind of disruption. I will continue to fight for them.

"Now, we must ensure local people are always provided with the opportunity to express their views on proposed changes, and transform the process for flightpath implementation.

"I would like to thank the minister for her constructive and supportive engagement."

According to Luton Airport, the airspace

change was implemented in February 2022 to simplify arrival routes for flights into the airport and separate them from Stansted's, following an extensive public consultation.

A Luton Airport spokesperson said: "All data gathered post-implementation will be submitted along with all complaints received via the correct/appropriate channels to help inform the decision-making process."

Mr Browne is also calling for NATS to revise their guidance to reflect differing ambient noise levels in rural and urban areas.

RELAS is urging everyone who has been affected by noise from the flights to complain via every channel available - to local councillors, NATS and on social media. They have published data on the analysis of pollutions levels from flight patterns and airspace utilisation between April 2022 and January 2023. Lower, Great and Upper Cambourne will all be subjected to substantial increases in noise and air pollution evidence of which is available on their website:

https://consultations.airspacechange.co.uk/london-luton-airport/ad6_luton_arrivals

Local Cllr Tumi Hawkins encouraged more complaints to LLA as they have said they haven't received many complaints and particularly as Luton hopes to expand from 13 million to 26 million passengers.

To date, RELAS' main focus is to get LLA and NATS to publish all their figures on the flight paths, so researchers can gauge its effects and impact on people's behaviour. Residents are encouraged to attend the surgeries so a case can be raised for AD6 to be re-consulted and re-designed as the AD6 is not a 'done deal'. The fight still goes on to ensure the future of village life.

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 www.monkfieldpark.cambs.sch.uk

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Monkfield Park Care & Learning Centre:
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Cambourne Muslim community hosts quiz about the life of Jesus

The Muslim community in Cambourne celebrated the life of Prophet Jesus (also known as Isa or the Messiah in Arabic) during the winter holidays.

To encourage learning and understanding, children participated in a competition about Jesus and his miracles from an Islamic perspective. Prizes were awarded to the top three participants.

In Islam, Jesus is considered one of the greatest Prophets, along with Adam, Abraham, Moses, and Muhammad (peace be upon them). It is an article of faith in Islam to believe in all Prophets, who were models of excellence and commissioned to guide humankind.

The Qur'an also highlights the importance of figures such as Zachariah, John, Jesus, and Elijah, stating they were

of the "most Righteous."

One of the most prominent figures in Islam is Mary, the mother of Jesus. She is the only woman mentioned by name in the Qur'an, with the angels announcing, "O Mary! Allah has chosen you and purified you, chosen you above the women of all nations."

Mary is considered chaste, virtuous, and obedient to God's message, and an entire chapter in the Qur'an is named after her.

The family of Imran, Mary's father, is also

honoured with a chapter in the Qur'an, which includes Imran, his wife, Mary, and Jesus.

These gatherings and competitions serve as a way for the Muslim community in Cambourne to celebrate the life of Prophet Jesus and deepen their understanding of his place in Islamic teachings. By learning about the central figures of their faith, they can gain a deeper appreciation for the guidance and wisdom provided by their religious beliefs.



Cavendish Court residents raise cash for EACH

The residents of Cavendish Court presented a cheque for £1,682 to Frances Wyatt, from the charity EACH (East Anglia's Children's Hospices) as a donation from funds raised during 2022 from a range of social functions.

Our social group, a dedicated team of four, meets once a month to arrange a programme to include a variety of events and we hope some or all of these will appeal to the residents. We have just recently held a wonderful Burns Night celebration, we have coffee mornings, bingo, films, quiz afternoons, raffles and many other social get-togethers throughout the year. Our lovely private and well-tended garden hosts games, tea parties and barbeques during the warmer weather.

Cavendish Court in Cambourne comprises of 48 independent living apartments. The Court has a manager, duty managers, chefs and housekeeping staff who all look after our everyday needs, they are helpful, patient and cheerful. A 24 hour support system is in place throughout the building and there is ample car parking for residents and visitors.

A comfortable lounge is always welcoming for residents and guests where tea, coffee and sandwiches can be ordered, also a very pleasant dining room where an excellent lunch is served at a reasonable cost seven days a week.



COMMUNITY

Caring together to support older people

CARE TOGETHER is a Cambridgeshire County Council programme in collaboration with local partners, community groups and residents. Our focus will be on working together to support older people to live happily and independently in their communities for longer. It will change the way care and support for older people in the community is commissioned and delivered. A pilot scheme in East Cambridgeshire identified the following support needs:

- Early Intervention initiatives such as social groups for hobbies and exercise
- More local homecare and day opportunities for people over 65
- Support for older people living in the community with long-term care and support needs.

To ensure that it is helpful, residents over the age of 55 are being invited to complete an online questionnaire which closes on **15th April 2023**: www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/36MHL6. You can also scan the QR code below to access the questionnaire on your smartphone.

If you do not have access to the internet, please call 01954 286 002 or 07771 545 674 Monday - Friday between 9am - 2pm to request a paper copy or if you prefer you can answer the questions over the telephone. Please leave a contact number if asked to do so. Outside of these hours paper copies can be requested via the email care.together@cambridgeshire.gov.uk



In some communities there will be central collection and return points for printed questionnaires, so please check with your local library or Parish Council office for this option.



■ **SCAN THE QR CODE TO ACCESS THE QUESTIONNAIRE ON A SMARTPHONE**

■ **You can find out more about the Care Together initiative here:** <https://bit.ly/3XXJhyf>

Cambourne Community Theatre Group presents Alice in Wonderland!

Cambourne's local theatre group is back and busy rehearsing for its latest production. Coming to Cambourne in the Easter school holidays, we'll be taking a trip down the rabbit hole to present Alice in Wonderland.

Our take on Lewis Carroll's classic tale will be sure to delight everyone and is suitable for all ages. Visit www.cambournecommunitytheatre.org for more details - tickets will be on sale soon.

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Calling Cambourne's aspiring sporting champions



EVERYONE ACTIVE: Up-and-coming athletes in Cambourne are being given the chance to become 'Sporting Champions' and gain much-needed support as part of a sports talent development scheme.

Everyone Active's Sporting Champions programme, now heading into its seventh year, has helped thousands of athletes to achieve their sporting potential by providing free access to Everyone Active's 200+ leisure facilities across the country, including Cambourne Fitness and Sports Centre.

Aspiring athletes will be able to apply from 13th February to 13th March on the Everyone Active Sporting Champions website.

The scheme's impressive line-up of decorated Olympians and Paralympians includes Lutalo Muhammad, Jennifer and Jessica Gadirova, Richard Kilty, Lauren Steadman, Kadeena Cox and Maisie Summers-Newton, who will continue to provide their expertise, mentoring and support to athletes accepted on the scheme this year.

Sporting Champions will also receive free unlimited access to the Everyone on Demand app, providing them with more than 500,000 at-home workouts from leading fitness brands, including WithU, Flex and Les Mills on Demand.

Olympic silver medalist Colin Jackson will remain in his role as Sporting Champions Ambassador, working alongside the scheme's Elite athletes to make sport more accessible within local communities. Alongside some of Team GB's top talent, he will play an integral part in providing both one-to-one and group mentoring sessions throughout the year.

Colin said: "I'm proud to be involved in a scheme that is so dedicated to supporting athletic talent from grass roots up.

"I have watched the Sporting Champions scheme grow over the years and I'm so excited to continue working alongside a panel of truly talented Elite athletes to help mentor and support the next generation.

"The Sporting Champions scheme has helped thousands of up-and-coming athletes to achieve their sporting dreams and I can't wait to see what this year's intake will achieve."

Over the past seven years, Sporting Champions has invested more than £1m into athletes on the scheme.

Simon Clasby, Everyone Active's general manager, said: "We are delighted to be able to support rising sports stars from

Cambourne on their journey to success. As a leisure provider working in partnership with Cambourne Town Council, we feel it is important to cater for all sections of the community. The Sporting Champions scheme has already supported a huge number of athletes and I'm proud that we are continuing this again in 2023."

Applicants should visit www.easportingchampions.com to fill out the online application form, which will be available from February 13 – March 13 2023.

Saturday 15th April
The Hub Car Park, Great Cambourne, CB23 6GW
9:00am - 1:00pm
(Sellers from 8:00am)
Pitches - £5 on the day

SPORTS

Tennis club nominated in LTA Tennis Awards

CAMBOURNE TENNIS CLUB has made leaps and bounds to serve the local community which includes the new club house and now nominations from the LTA Tennis Awards in the category of 'Cambridgeshire Tennis Club of the Year'.

We are in great company competing along side much larger and long established clubs such as Cambridge Lawn Tennis Club, David Lloyd Club – Cambridge, City of Peterborough Tennis Club and the Cambridge Tennis Academy.

For our small growing club to be rubbing



shoulders with these clubs in itself is high praise but more so, our aspirations for growth and continuous improvement have been recognized and hopefully we will win this coveted award. Fingers crossed!

Congratulations to all who contributed to the club by donating time and effort generously and to those who joined our membership community and used the facilities. Together we made the club stronger.

In addition to this nomination, our very own Head Coach Toby Jackson has been nominated in the 'Performance Coach' & 'Development Coach' categories. It would be great if we could make a clean sweep at the ceremony but even if we don't, the nominations themselves are acknowledgment that we must be doing something right.

If we continue to support each other I am certain we will continue to be noticed and appreciated in the future but most important of all is that we continue to enjoy tennis together!

See the latest image of the clubhouse as it continues to take shape!

Cambourne Balkan Dance Club

SUNDAY DANCE

Every Sunday, enthusiasts meet up to practice traditional dances from Bulgaria and Greece, for fun and fitness. The dance is open to all.

5:10pm (Beginners)
Easy and basic dances

6:30pm (Intermediate)
Complex and quick dances

The Blue Space, Cambourne
CB23 6DZ

Find us on Google or Facebook [@Cam.Balkan.Dance](https://www.facebook.com/Cam.Balkan.Dance)

Tae Kwon Do celebrates 40 years in Great

CAMBOURNE TAE KWON DO:

2023 is a big year for us as the TAGB celebrates its 40th anniversary and hosts the World Championships again in the UK. So, every training session and competition is one step closer to representing your country in front of thousands of competitors and spectators from across the globe.

The first competition of the year was the Midlands championships in Kettering, could the Anglia Academy rise to the challenge? Several of our competitors from Cambridgeshire and Norfolk acquitted themselves well and Cambourne can boast success from one of our stalwart competitors.

We are all proud of Niven who won a silver medal for performing his pattern and a bronze for his sparring ability in his boys category. A great start to the year which augurs well for the impending English Championships.

We have places available for new students, young and old, in both our Tuesday and Saturday classes. If you or your child are looking for a new fun, energetic activity and to join a friendly and successful team, contact stephenlacey73@gmail.com, Stephen on 07905 744777, or visit our Cambourne TKD Facebook page.



Cambourne Town Football Club news

Cambourne Town FC Ladies team: It's been a mixture of emotions for our Ladies team. A 4-1 victory over Newmarket Town saw us progress to the semi final of the Junior Invitation Cup. We then welcomed a strong Fulbourn Bluebirds side in the league cup quarter final with a 0-7 loss which meant the end of our run in that competition for this season. This game was also the last game for Lauren Bridge-Wright as she returns to her native Australia – a player who will be sadly missed both on and off the pitch. We then returned to the important business of the league with South Lincolnshire Swifts visiting in an exciting game seeing us 5-0 up after 27 minutes. The final score of 6-1 keeping our 100% league record in tact.

Cambourne Town FC Mens Saturday team: The team have been on a good turn of form, having won 2 and drawn 2 in the last 4 games, 2 strong performances leading to wins in the league and a draw in the cup (unfortunately being knocked out on penalties). Most recently the team

had a tough fought draw against second in the league who are unbeaten this season. We look forward to continue the good form over the next month.

New Players Wanted: Our U12 Whites Boys team are looking for new players to add to their squad. The team trains Tuesday evenings 5-6pm and play matches on Saturdays. Please complete our general player enquiry form on our website www.cambournetownfc.org.uk

Our beginners Ladies sessions are looking for players, if you or someone you know is keen to get into playing regular football in a fun environment please complete our general player enquiry form on our website or email any questions to Coach David Pickavance: D.pickavance@hotmail.com

The Dugout at Cambourne Town FC offers hot and cold drinks and snacks and is open every Saturday and Sunday from 8.30am and Friday mornings too 10am-12, with hot food options such as bacon rolls proving very popular.

A Clairvoyance evening - Saturday 18th March with renowned psychic medium Philip Kinsella at The Dugout. Booking is essential and this is an adult only evening. Doors open at 6.30pm for a 7.30pm start.

Events coming up... at
The Dugout



Our Easter Hunt will run between 1st April and 7th April. Clues will be hidden around Cambourne and those taking part will receive a chocolate egg and some Easter sweets. £3 per person, treats can be collected on Friday 7th (Good Friday) from The Dugout where we will also have some Easter Crafts on offer and Easter snacks too so please do come and see us. The Dugout will be open 9am-4pm on Friday 7th April.

Gin Tasting fun! Join us on 7th May. Doors will open at 6.30pm with the fun starting at 7.30pm priced at £30 per person. Grab some friends and make a night of it! Bringing in an external company this will be 2 hours of Gin Tasting fun. Non drinkers are very welcome as non alcoholic gin can be used in the experience. Please check out our event shop to book on to any of these events cambournetownfc.square.site/

Our Ladies Team are
looking for experienced
players!



Cambourne Town FC Ladies are looking for experienced players to add to their ever improving squad.

Currently sitting top of Division 3 we would like to add to the squad to help take the team to the next level.



Interested?
Please contact Coach Dave:
d.pickavance@hotmail.com
Or complete our player enquiry form via the club website:
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SPORT

Cambourne U12 goalkeeper plays for Norwich City

CAMBOURNE TOWN FOOTBALL CLUB:

Under 12 Blues goalkeeper Ben Hadley was selected to represent Norwich City ADP under 12's at their match against Luton Town FC at Creasey Park Community Football Centre, Dunstable recently.

A tight game that saw plenty of action at either end of the field. The score line of 3-3

was justified as each team showed equal amounts of skill in both attacking and defending. The goalkeeping from both teams of a high standard, adding to the excitement of a close well fought match. Once again Ben's performance is testament to the quality of coaching at Norwich ADP, CUFC and of our own Cambourne Town coaching staff.



Cambourne's track & field star is unstoppable

2022 has been a year of Achievement for Cambourne's Willow in Track and Field.

In 2021 Willow was ranked 25th in Great Britain & Northern Ireland for Hammer. Unfortunately her coach retired in September and wasn't replaced until February 2022. This took her to London for sessions with the England Athletics technical lead for hammer, Paul Head. Since then, there has been no looking back! Willow retained her Under 17 County



Championship titles in both discus and Hammer whilst also breaking the County Championship Hammer Record with a distance of 49.85m. She also smashed the East Anglian League Hammer Record with her personal best - a massive 53.85m. Willow then competed in the Eastern Counties Championship and won gold in both the Hammer & Discus. There has

also been a Gold Medal for Hammer in the Southern Regional Championships, silver nationally in Manchester, in the U17 at English Schools.

Willow earned an U17 International call up for England in Belfast against Ireland, Scotland and Wales and again achieved a silver medal. There was silver again at the National Championships, and at the last major competition of the year - the School Games 2022 in Loughborough - a mini-Olympics Willow won the silver medal in the Hammer.

Coming to the end of the outdoor season Willow's personal best of 53.85m for Hammer places her second in the rankings for the United Kingdom and Northern Ireland.

Cricket Club pays tribute to Duncan Shearwood

CAMBOURNE CRICKET CLUB has some sad news. It is with the deepest sorrow that we learnt of the sudden passing of beloved club member, Duncan Shearwood, in January.

'Hands' represented the very best of Cambourne Cricket Club: intensely competitive and hard-working on the field, he was warm, eager to help and possessed a brilliant sense of humour that is nothing short of famous. A huge part of the club for more than a decade, Duncan starred in the club's first-ever cup win in 2018; two stumpings and a catch in a lively wicketkeeping performance which saw Cambourne triumph over Madingley Mulch and lift the Pye Cup.

Off the field, he was always ready to help – around the clubhouse, with the youngsters, or scouting potential tours. This epitomised Duncan – you could not find a stronger 'club man', who provided an arm around the shoulder and encouraged you to believe in yourself, listened to you and made you laugh. An

advocate for mental health, he always encouraged his teammates to talk about their feelings and share their emotions.

He was a beloved friend and above all else, a deeply devoted dad and husband. It is with profound heartbreak that we reflect on his passing and send all our thoughts to his family and loved ones. A message from one teammate reads: "So many of my favourite cricketing memories at Cambourne were games that Duncan played in. It says so much about the man we remember most and not just what he did with a bat, ball and gloves, but about the person.

The humour; the chats; the reminders to check in on your mates - no, really check in on them; the sense of fun; the focus on family life. He was a dad first and foremost and although it meant we saw less of him on the field, I'm so glad that his children were his priority. It's the only consolation."

Memories of his generosity, friendship and sense of humour will live long in the hearts of all those that were lucky to know him. Go well, Dunc. In loving tribute from all at Cambourne Cricket Club.

Duncan Shearwood, 1974 – 2023

■ The Club will be honouring Duncan's memory throughout the upcoming season; please get in touch on cambournecc@gmail.com if you would like any further details.