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Cambourne Open Gardens and Flower Festival 24th & 25th June



Come visit the gardens open this year by starting at one of the addresses or Cambourne church. These are just a few of those open! A full list is on the tickets.

- **Saturday** 11am-5pm - Wildlife Trust for Beds, Cambs & Northants, Broad Street 24 Broad Street, 5 & 8 Langate Green, 23 Orchard Way
- **Sunday** 11am-5pm - 13 Fenbridge, 88 and 128 Greenhaze Lane, 128 and 141 Jeavons Lane, 5 Mayfield Way, 13 Willow Way, 79 Lancaster Gate, 30 Gladiator Road

Tickets are £5 (cash) per adult (children are free). All proceeds go to Cambourne Church for the work it does for our wider community.

Tickets and refreshments are also available in the church at the Flower Festival (Sat 12-4pm, Sun 12.30-3pm). The Flower Festival is a free event where local schools, churches, clubs and organisations have created displays on a theme. This year's theme is 'service' to follow on from the Big Help Out. Volunteering wasn't just for the coronation and many of the

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flower displays will be promoting organisations that help our community through their wonderful volunteers; they are a celebration of how we help each other here in Cambourne...

One such organisation is the Wildlife Trust for Bedfordshire, Cambridgeshire and Northamptonshire. As well as opening their gardens, they have many other attractions and activities on offer. So many, we thought we would open fewer other gardens that day just so you have time to do it all!

Wildlife



Many events are happening.

- See page 6 for full details

Stop the Scams



Our MP appointed to tackle fraud.

- More info on page 24

Tennis serves charity



Too much sunshine can be bad.

- More info on page 27

CAMBOURNE CRIER

Cambourne Crier is the only independent, non-profit publication delivered to all Cambourne residents each month. Any profits are distributed to the community through our Community Fund. Cambourne Crier is compiled entirely by volunteers.

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CRIER COMMUNITY FUND

Our community fund enables us to make grants to local clubs, societies or causes. Do you need new equipment for your group? Do you want to set up a new group and need some funding to get going? Contact pamhume1@gmail.com for more information or download the application form at www.cambournecrier.org

CAMBOURNE TOWN COUNCIL

■ Cambourne Community Clean-Up Event 10 June

The annual Community Clean-Up event will take place on Saturday 10th June between 9am – 1pm at the Hub community centre car park, High Street.

We are pleased to be working again with Greater Cambridge Shared Waste Service who will be providing the skips. You can bring down your old or unwanted items to recycle – wood, metal and electronic items. Some items will not be accepted, see full list of items that will and will not be accepted: www.cambourne.towncouncil.gov.uk/community-clean-up-event

Anything deemed in good condition and too good to recycle will be put on the 'Take it or Leave it' stall for someone else to take away and make use of for free! This includes toys, furniture and bikes.

We are also organising a clothes swap to run at the same time. If you have items that you would like to donate for the clothes swap, please drop items off to the Town Council office the week commencing Monday 5th June between 9am – 5pm. Alternatively you can bring them down at 9am on the day. Clothes must be clean and in a good and wearable condition. Full list of items we will accept and further information can be found on our website.

Alongside all this, we will be hosting a community litter pick so come along and pick up some equipment and help get Cambourne litter free for Summer.

■ The Kings Coronation Celebration - Picnic on the Green

Thank you to everyone that came along to the Picnic on the Green to celebrate the Coronation of King Charles III. Despite the drizzle and grey clouds, a joyful day was had by many.

Thank you to the community groups, local businesses and performers that helped make the day a success, and to our wonderful volunteers and staff.

■ Funfare and Circus - 13th July

This Summer we will see the return of Larry Gray's Funfair from Thursday 13th July until Sunday 16th July on Great Cambourne Green. We are also pleased to announce John Lawson's Circus will be returning with performances running between Thursday 31st August until Sunday 3rd September on Great Cambourne Green.

■ Cambourne Community Fete - 16th September

The annual fete organised by the Town Council will take place on Saturday 16th September at Cambourne Sports Pitches, 12pm – 6pm. Community groups, sports clubs, local businesses and charities are invited to have a stall – please email community@cambourneparishcouncil.gov.uk for a booking form.

■ Play Areas

Due to repeated surface damage at the Great Cambourne play area, the wet pore safety surface was removed along with the some of the larger play equipment which was approaching the end of their practical life. The Council have been obtaining quotations and designs for replacement play equipment. The remainder of the park is expected to be open by summer, but this will not include the new equipment. (...continued on p3).

BIN COLLECTIONS:

Black Bin: Thursday 15th June, Thursday 29th June

Blue/Green Bins: Thursday 8th June, Thursday 22nd June and Thursday 6th July

More information

www.scambs.gov.uk/recycling

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

Tel: 01954 714403

or email office@cambournetowncouncil.gov.uk

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

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■ Play Areas (continued)

Subject to the drying out of the site, topsoil will be imported to top up the levels (this had started prior to the weather deteriorating).

Compacting and levelling the topsoil (approximately 1 week).

Laying the grass mat safety surface and seeding with grass seed (approximately 1 – 2 weeks).

Allow the grass seed to take and establish (approximately 2 – 3 weeks).

Reinstalling seats, swings etc and removing the Safety fencing (approximately 1 week).

Quotes have also been obtained to replace equipment in the Eco Park (opposite Monkfield School) and Roman Park (Lower Cambourne).

■ The Big Squiggle

The Big Squiggle (children’s arts and crafts event) which was held on Tuesday 4th April at Cambourne Soul (youth building) was a huge success.

The next Big Squiggle will be Saturday 21st October 2023.

CALENDAR OF MEETINGS

June and July 2023

Tuesday 6th June

7.00pm

Planning Committee

Followed by full Council Meeting

Tuesday 20th June

7.00pm

Planning Committee

Followed by Leisure & Amenities Committee

Tuesday 4th July

7.00pm

Planning Committee

Followed by full Council Meeting

Council meetings are held in the Meeting Room at the Hub Community Centre.



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Cambourne Library

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Wednesday closed, Thursday 4pm- 7pm, Friday 9am -
5pm, Saturday 9am - 1pm, Sunday closed.
Cambourne Library 0345 045 5225
www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/library

Did you know that Crime books are always among the top ten most borrowed titles in libraries? Make the most of National Crime Reading Month in June by borrowing a book from the wide range on offer at Cambourne Library - we have everything from classic and cosy to grim and gripping. If you enjoy reading Crime novels why not come along to the library to meet Mandy Morton, author of Crime fiction.

Tea at Three at Cambourne Library with Author Mandy Morton - Join us on Wednesday 21st June, 3.00 - 4.30pm to enjoy a scone tea with author Mandy Morton and hear about her latest book in the No. 2 Feline Detective Agency series of novels. Tickets £10 to include the scone tea and a copy of Mandy's latest book. This promises to be a fun afternoon. Booking essential, either in the library or via

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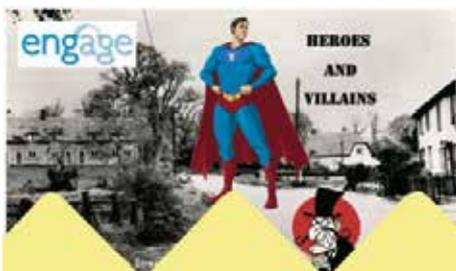
HiVis Fortnight, 1-14th June - The first two weeks of June are a time to celebrate all things related to accessible libraries and reading and to find out about the wonderful services available for those with a vision or print impairment. Come along to the library to see our display. Don't let a visual or print impairment stop you enjoying books. The library can help you find many ways to read. On our shelves we have Large Print and audiobooks, and dyslexia-friendly books for children. We also offer eBooks and eAudiobooks. On our website, www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/library, we have lots more resources and information, or please ask staff.

Summer Reading Challenge - Volunteers Wanted!

Are you aged between 12-18 years, and would you like to take part in our Summer Reading Challenge Volunteering Programme this summer? We would love you to join us. Please ask at the library for further information. Closing date for applications is 9th June 2023.

Engage at Cambourne Library- Wednesday 14th June, 2.00 - 3.30pm - John Bowness from the Cambridgeshire & Huntingdonshire Family History Society will entertain us with his talk 'Heroes and Villains' - the stories of a number of notable residents of Yelling from the past, both the good and the bad! Tea/coffee and biscuits will be served.

Cambourne Lunch Bunch - Would you like to join a friendly



reading group meeting at lunchtime? Our library-based reading group meets once a month on a Wednesday, normally the third week of the month, at 12.30pm. Please ask library staff for more information or come along to our next meeting, Wednesday 28th June. This date is a week later than usual so we can enjoy Many Morton's visit the week before.

Digital Assistance - Our friendly computer buddies volunteers have proven to be a great 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 - 3.00pm. Please pre-book a session with library staff.

Lend IT, Laptops, Tablets and MIFI !!! - we now have laptops, tablets and MIFI 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 are on Fridays alternately in term-time at 9.30 am; Rhymetime 9th & 23rd June and Storytime 16th & 30th June.



Tea at Three at Cambourne Library with Author Mandy Morton

Wednesday 21st June, 3:00-4:30pm

Tickets: £10 (includes a scone tea and free book!)

Enjoy a miaowvellous afternoon of cats, comedy, crime and scones as Mandy Morton introduces "The Windmill Murders", the latest of her No.2 Feline Detective Agency novels.

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Wildlife Trust :Orchids and 30 Days Wild



June is when Cambourne nature reserve looks at its best - and the time when the orchids start flowering on verges and in grassland. Here are a few to look out for:

Bee orchid - this species is named for fact that it mimics a bee. In southern part of its range around the Mediterranean it is pollinated by male solitary bees who are duped by its scent and shape into thinking it is a female bee. Here in the UK it is self-pollinating as that pollinating bee species isn't found in this country.

Common spotted orchid is the UK's most common orchid and found in a variety of habitats - woodlands, grasslands, and verges. Getting its name from the spots on its leaves (although other orchids do also have spotted leaves), the flowers can be white or pink with dark pink markings, and attracting lots of insects, especially beetles.

Pyramidal orchid is named after the shape of the flower head - cone-shaped early on



as the flowers at the bottom open first. The flowers are deep pink and pollinated by moths and butterflies. June is also a great time for insects. Watch out for the thick-legged flower beetle - shiny green with muscular-looking back legs in the male - and the marbled white butterfly, chequered black and white, feeding on the meadow flowers. 30 Days Wild This month also is when folks all over the country join in with the national Wildlife Trusts' initiative 30 Days Wild throughout June - it's not too late to sign up to receive a FREE pack with fun activities throughout the month to bring inspiration. Free and easy to take part with a pick of 30 easy ways to connect with nature.

To sign up and see more info www.wildlifebcn.org/30DaysWild This includes the Big Wild Weekend camp out for nature, 17-18 June, whether in a wilderness, back garden or living room, you can get involved, plus a Big Wild



Quiz! www.wildlifetrusts.org/big-wild-weekend Do share wild moments on social media using the hashtag #30DaysWild

Contact info

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 Events: www.wildlifebcn.org/events BCN
 Facebook/Twitter: @wildlifebcn
 Facebook @BeccaBadgerWTBCN

Thanks for keeping dogs on leads, especially around lakes and in arable fields and meadow (eg Crow Hill on Cambourne Nature Reserve), where birds nest on or near the ground. Fledgling birds will be all around at this time of year and are very vulnerable to disturbance by dogs and people.

Hoping for new swans



The Cygnet Ring

One day you just weren't there
 We wondered where you'd gone
 Standing by the lake, shading our eyes
 We searched for the missing swan
 Weeks later and you're back
 Making our collective hearts sing
 You brought a fresh circle of life
 Six gems in a new cygnet ring

Lucy Purvey

(A poem by one of our readers concerning swans in 2021 on Sirius Lake and hoping to see more this year)

COMMUNITY

Kerry, the compassionate nurse, drives community minibus to connect hearts

A dedicated nurse devotes her free time to bridge gaps and strengthen community bonds.

In a world often defined by self-interest, it is heartening to witness individuals who go above and beyond to make a positive impact in their communities. Meet Kerry Gorman, a remarkable woman who not only serves as a dedicated nurse at Royal Papworth Hospital, but also selflessly volunteers her spare time to drive the community minibus, connecting people and fostering a sense of togetherness.

Kerry Gorman, 41, has been a nurse from the age of 18, tending to the needs of patients with compassion and professionalism. Known for her warm smile and gentle demeanour, she has become a beloved figure among both her colleagues and the patients she cares for. However, Kerry's desire to make a difference doesn't stop at the hospital doors.

In her free time, while many people unwind or catch up on personal errands, Kerry trades her relaxation time for the steering wheel of the community minibus. This invaluable service fosters a sense of community and togetherness. The bus has also become a hub of friendship, with passengers sharing stories, laughter, and companionship during their journeys.

Kerry Gorman's devotion to her profession, coupled with her unwavering commitment to driving the community minibus, exemplifies the extraordinary impact an individual can have when driven by empathy and compassion. Her actions remind us that it is through acts of kindness, both big and small, that we can forge stronger, more connected communities.

As we celebrate the remarkable contributions of Kerry Gorman, let us be inspired by her selflessness and strive to emulate her in our own lives. For it is in giving that we receive, and in connecting with others that we find the true richness of community.





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COLUMNISTS



ANTHONY BROWNE

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Opportunity for the nation to come together

The highlight of my month was undoubtedly the coronation. I was fortunate enough to be able to watch the procession from outside the Abbey. I'm sure many of you would have noticed the rather unfortunate weather but it certainly did not dampen spirits. Although, I could not help but feel for the soldiers wearing their thick woollen coats in such conditions.

Events like the coronation provide an opportunity for the nation to come together. It also provides an opportunity to reflect – not just on her Majesty but also on the way the country has changed since 1953. The various faith leaders playing crucial roles displayed the

diversity of our national life and how our institutions adapt to the changing country they serve.

It has been a busy month for me personally as well. I was appointed as the Government's anti-fraud champion. Fraud is the most common crime in the United Kingdom, and it is perpetrated against decent, hard-working people. Fraudsters have become an organised business predicated on targeting the earnings of ordinary people.

It is a source of immense pride to be asked to serve my country in a cause I am passionate about. I am confident that we will be able to make a tangible difference to people's lives across the county.

If you have any comments or opinions on any issue which you believe I may be able to assist with, please contact me.



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Cambourne stands strong and united

Cambourne stands as a strong and united community, setting a remarkable example for a thriving and cohesive society.

On the World Day for Cultural Diversity for Dialogue and Development, I met with Cambourne residents from diverse backgrounds, joined by Anthony Browne MP. They expressed their satisfaction with living in Cambourne for themselves and their children. However, transportation and the absence of a local post office were mentioned as challenges.

Recognising the importance of accessible healthcare services, I am working to explore the possibility of opening GP services during evening hours. I am also in discussions with local

pharmacies to understand ongoing changes. To foster dialogue and find effective solutions, a public consultation involving the pharmacy, GP surgery, Town and County Council, and residents will be organised. The goal is to establish a smart working system for prescriptions that caters to the community's needs.

The Cambourne Community Minibus has become a cherished resource for community groups, schools, and retirement homes in Cambourne. To plan trips, please contact me.

I am closely working with the NHS's social prescription program, where residents require care and support within the community.

In addition to these efforts, I am working towards integrating the communities of West Cambourne with Lower, Great, and Upper Cambourne and organising community events that cater for their specific needs.



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Diabetes awareness

June 12th-18th is Diabetes Awareness Week.

Insulin is a hormone made by the pancreas which helps move glucose (sugar) from the blood stream into the cells to make energy. Diabetes is when there is either not enough insulin in the body or the insulin does not work properly.

There are two types of diabetes: Type 1 develops due to a problem with the immune system; usually begins at a young age and is not related to lifestyle. More commonly, 90% of adults with diabetes will have Type 2. You are more at risk of Type 2 diabetes if you are over 40, overweight, have a close relative with diabetes or

are of S. Asian, Chinese or black African origin.

Symptoms of diabetes are: feeling thirsty, tiredness, passing more wee than normal, weight loss, blurred vision, wounds that take a long time to heal and thrush. Uncontrolled diabetes can be linked to problems with vision, nerve damage, heart disease, stroke and kidney damage.

Type 2 diabetes can be managed (and often prevented) by eating a healthy diet with low levels of sugar, keeping a healthy weight and exercising regularly. Regular monitoring of blood pressure, blood sugar, kidney health, eye and foot health are all important. Medication may be necessary to keep blood sugar in a safe range but changes to lifestyle can make a real difference.

Further information: www.diabetes.org.uk

MONKFIELD MEDICAL PRACTICE

News and updates from Monkfield Medical Practice

Monkfield Medical Practice is pleased to announce that the Practice is now a member of The Meridian Primary Care network (PCN).

Meridian Primary Care Network consists of a group of GP surgeries grouped together to form a PCN. The surgeries involved are:

- Monkfield Medical Practice
- Harston Surgery
- Bourne Surgery
- Orchard Surgery Melbourne
- Comberton and Eversden Surgeries
- Roysia (Royston)

PCNs build on existing primary care services and enable greater provision of proactive, personalised, coordinated and more integrated health and social care for people close to home. They are led by clinical directors who may be a GP, general practice nurse, clinical pharmacist or other clinical profession working in general practice.

Monkfield Medical Practice made the statement "There are many benefits to us as a practice and our patients and this feels the right place and we are very pleased to take this partnership forward.

There should be no immediate change to any services provided by the PCN, such as our Clinical Pharmacist, Social Prescriber, Care Co-ordinator and First Contact Physio and hope to work closely to enhance the services offered across the area covered and at the practice."

New Partners at Monkfield Medical Practice

Dr Siriwardena, Senior Partner at Monkfield Medical Practice is pleased to announce that Dr Rakesh Modi and Practice Manager Hannah Crisford have joined the practice as partners from May 2023.

Dr Modi is a GP, who after studying medicine at the University of Cambridge, trained in London. He was a locum then full-time salaried GP at Monkfield. He is also a researcher and lecturer at the University of Cambridge, having completed his PhD there this year. He is the clinical lead for research in the South of Cambridgeshire and Peterborough.

Hannah has worked as the Practice Manager at Monkfield Medical Practice for seven years and brings extensive management experience having worked within blue light services for most of her career, specialising in Human Resources and Health and Safety within an operational environment.

Together a strong partnership will be formed to continue to develop the practice to grow with the patient population of Cambourne.

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CHURCHES

CAMBOURNE CHURCH

We are excited about the arrival of a new member of staff for Cambourne Church. This month Clare Cronin will be taking up a full-time position as the ministry team leader for children and young people. It is a number of years since we had youth and children specialists on the church staff team so watch this space as we seek to develop our engagement with children, young people and their families.



Clare grew up in St Neots and went to university in Winchester. She has worked with young people in Cambridgeshire for over seven years in churches, schools, and local communities. She is passionate about empowering children and young people to discover their God-given value, purpose, and hope. If the question is "Tea?" then Clare's answer is "Yes, please!" She enjoys watching TV, listening to music, and seeing Fulham win (... she can dream). Clare is also a graphic designer.

Do give her a warm welcome if and when you get to meet her.

Revd Bill Miller

Cambourne Church Services for June 2023

4th June	10.00am Communion Service *
	7.00pm Sanctuary Service
11th June	9.30am Communion Service
	11.00am Communion Service **
18th June	9.30am Sunday Morning Worship
	11.00am Sunday Morning Worship *
25th June	9.30am Sunday Morning Worship
	11.00am Sunday Morning Worship *

* These services include break-out groups for children and young people

** This service includes a break-out group for children

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Peacehaven Baptist Church: Pastoral Thoughts

The Blessings of the Father. In June we celebrate Father's Day. Being a father is an awesome responsibility. Now I do not mean simply being a genetic donor to the production of a new life as that does not require commitment and in our society, it seems to be a rarer thing. No, I am speaking about the Biblical role of a good father. Ideally, a good father is one that should be a shining example of what a man should be. A role model to your sons showing them the skills and pitfalls in life. You should also be an example to your daughters of what a decent man should be in your treatment of others particularly their mother if she is still in the picture. You must work on a stable relationship, one with commitment, communication, and caring. This is essential as how would your children know what decent treatment is if it is not displayed at home? They certainly will not see many good examples in the world. You must determine to be a person of honesty and integrity. It will not be easy, but have a reputation with them that is unquestionable so they can trust your advice and you can pass on if possible your logical reasons for what you do and



Pastor
Donovan Bangs

why. This often thankless task of fatherhood comes at times with the place of being the one to admonish and guide them. You should be the one to set reasonable boundaries and stick to them only adjusting as the children gain maturity. My advice is to have plans figured out before the children are born if possible. If done correctly they will appreciate it later in life.

Proverbs 22:6 Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it.

I may not have liked a lot of what my father did when I was young, but the older I get his words have gained greater meaning. Even then I was determined to be a better father than he was and I hope the same for my son. Fathers, we must be a guiding hand with love, mercy, and consistency so as to not provoke anger due to unfair treatment.

Ephesians 6:4 And, ye fathers, provoke not your children to wrath: but bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord. Remember true love is shown in word and in deeds. It is work but it is certainly worthy of the effort.

Pastor Donovan Bangs



PEACEHAVEN BAPTIST CHURCH.

SUNDAY MORNINGS - 10am Sunday school

11 AM Morning Worship

find links on Facebook for

Peacehaven Baptist Church or look for

Donovan Bangs on Youtube

At the Cambourne Community Centre, the Hub

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Cambourne Catholic Church

June 4th: Bishop Peter Collins will be visiting our parish please come and join us for this special event.

June 10th: Please join us for a Bollywood Night Fundraiser later this year, if you want more details, please contact Liz Christy via the email address below. Everyone welcome!!

Please contact Fr John Minh on the email below to register for First Communion and Confirmation Lessons here in Cambourne.

June 17th First Holy Communion Mass, this is usually a busy Mass, however, everyone in the parish is welcome to join us and support the young people and their families.

For teenagers, please tune in to RMEY Faith Vibe 5pm Fridays and 8pm Sundays, please see the webpage on how to listen in: www.radiomariaengland.uk

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EDUCATION

CVC aims to open community cinema

CAMBOURNE VILLAGE COLLEGE: GCSE exam season is in full swing. Year 11 are on study leave. We're preparing to welcome the Year 6 pupils to their induction days and plans for Activities Week and Sports Days are in place. This year seems to have rolled along incredibly quickly!

In line with our status and commitments as a Village College, a particular highlight has been the opening of a professional-quality theatre in our Performance Hall following five years of fund-raising by members of our Charitable Trust, generous help from the Town and County Councils and the Cam Academy Trust.

This is a wonderful facility for both school and town and we are now seeking new members from the community to join the Charitable Trust, to steer the final phase of the vision: the provision of a cinema for Cambourne.

Community cinemas operate under a franchise that brings the biggest box-office films to smaller venues, just weeks after they

open in the main cinema venues. As well as film, there is scope to live-stream productions from West End theatres, opera and ballet, to hold film events and lectures, screenings for audiences with disabilities. This could be a brilliant amenity for the town if there is enough interest. It's envisaged that the cinema would open with a few screenings per week and could build to the point that it would employ staff.

The hall in our new sixth form building, opening 24 September, is the perfect size for a community cinema and will be furnished with comfortable, individual, tiered seats and blackout. However fundraising is needed to upgrade a school-quality projector and sound system to a professional standard, and volunteers are needed to form a steering group to plan for the running of the cinema.

The school is offering this potential amenity to the town however, the existing members of the CVC Charitable Trust are resigning this summer, their original theatre project achieved. If you would be interested in being part of this exciting new cinema venture, please do contact me: ccoates@cambournevc.org so that a new direction and membership of the Trust can be formed.

Claire Coates, Principal, Cambourne Village College

Jeavons Wood celebrates the King's Coronation

Jeavons Wood Primary School: There was a lot of excitement as we prepared to celebrate the King's Coronation. Even the rain couldn't stop us from planting new flower beds and a wonderful Coronation tree which now has pride of place in the school grounds. We would like to say a huge 'thank you' to Andy from Arrington Garden Centre for donating the plants and tree and for spending time at our school to help us with the planting.

We also made a time capsule where all kids wrote letters, explaining what life is like for us in 2023, which we have now buried. Our children were very excited to think that people could be reading about them many years from now!

We finished the day with a rousing rendition of the Coronation song we had learned as well as a fantastic picnic, complete with lots of singing and dancing! We think we can safely say that the pupils all had a wonderful time, and so did



The Vine joins in the Coronation celebrations

The Vine Primary School: The Union Jack flag was raised amongst a sea of red, white and blue across the school. Pupils in Reception and Preschool enjoyed celebrating the coronation of King Charles. They learnt about the King's life as a prince, a coronation and the other members of the Royal family.

They made their own royal crowns and Union Jack flags for the party, shared food, listened to music and gave 3 cheers for the King.

The pupils enjoyed writing and wrote letters to the King. We hope he enjoys reading about our special celebrations.

"King Charles, I hope you live forever" Anabelle

"A coronation is where the King gets his crown" Aaron

"I think a crown would be really heavy to wear" Alfie



"This is the best day, ever!" Benji

The rest of the school marked the historic occasion by collecting samples of the activities to store in a time capsule. Activities included: decorating biscuits, creating golden carriages, keyrings and king collages, and baking scones for a teaparty. All enjoyed a fabulous special coronation lunch too. A truly fabulous day to remember.

COMMUNITY

CamCare UK raises funds for Japanese School in Cambridge with Sushi making workshop



Mr Soumya Ranjan Patel and Mr Venkat Kommi of CamCare UK hosted a hands-on sushi-making workshop last month where participants learned to create their own delicious sushi



rolls.

Mr Yoshiro Shiba, who is the Headmaster of a Japanese School in Cambridge, is also a Sushi expert and instructor who guided the participants through the process, and techniques for creating perfect rolls. The workshop was a great opportunity to expand culinary skills for the beginner and for a seasoned pro. The Sushi workshop was conducted in a relaxed environment. All ingredients and materials were provided by Mr. Yoshiro, and other members of the Japanese school also helped in running the workshop.

CERC's Young Innovators Shine at First Lego League Finals

Local robotics club students inspire future STEM enthusiasts with their talent.

Cambridge Electronics and Robotics Club (CERC) is dedicated to fostering young talent in electronics, robotics, and STEM. Recently, CERC's young innovators participated in the First Lego League (FLL) finals held in Harrogate, showcasing their immense potential and emphasising the importance of STEM education.

Two CERC teams, CERC-Activate and CERC-Innovate, competed in the FLL finals, facing challenges in Robot Run, Robot Design, Innovation Project, and Core Values. The theme for this year's competition was "SuperPowered." CERC-Activate's project, Ecochain, was a blockchain solution for trading surplus energy, while CERC-Innovate's project, CleanCar, aimed to improve fuel efficiency in cars using on-board diagnostics (OBD) technology.

One team received the Rising All Stars award for their Innovation Project, impressing judges with their cutting-edge technology vision. The other team ranked 12th out of 70 and competed in the Nationals Knockout.



CERC's achievements in the FLL finals inspire other children to explore their passion for STEM. Competitions like these help students develop essential skills, such as problem-solving, teamwork, and effective communication, while gaining valuable experience in handling challenging situations and complex concepts.

CERC will continue to support more children in developing their love for STEM and discovering their potential as future leaders. With the help of dedicated coaches, mentors, and parents, and the unwavering commitment of the club, these young minds will continue to excel in STEM. Through innovative projects, collaborative teamwork, and competitive challenges, CERC students are poised to make a lasting impact on their communities and the world. As they look forward to new challenges, the sky is truly the limit for them.

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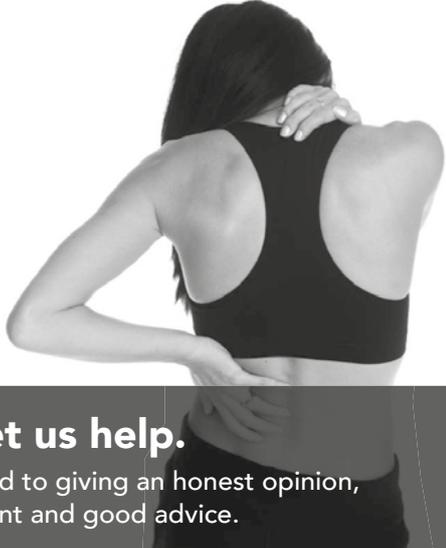
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The (Liberal Democrat controlled) council has stated that the four day week has increased productivity and reduced costs, however critics of the scheme claim that this has created delays, increased costs and have suggested an alternative rationale for the scheme. The four day week was also raised at Prime Ministers Questions.

The Cambourne Crier wishes to present all sides of the argument.

First there is the case presented by the council summarised in their press release below (abridged), followed by alternative viewpoints from Anthony Browne MP and the Tax Payer Alliance which challenge some of the points made.

Four-day week trial extension at SCDC shows services maintained – and some improved

A trial of a four-day week at South Cambridgeshire District Council has been extended by 12 months, after independently reviewed data showed the initial pilot was a success. At a time of increased public sector spending pressures, the four-day week aims to allow the Council to continue to deliver excellent services to residents and businesses, whilst improving consistency and reducing cost.

Following the well-publicised success of many similar trials in the private sector, the District Council became the first local authority in the country to trial this way of working between January and March 2023. Around 450 desk-based staff have been involved. The Council decided to undertake the trial because of the acute recruitment and retention issues it was facing – mirroring the national recruitment and retention situation in the public sector.

Before the trial started, the Council was spending about £2million a year on agency staff, often in specialist roles where the private sector pays more. This bill could be halved if all the agency posts were filled permanently. Although the three-month trial wasn't expected to see improvement in recruitment, because there was no certainty about whether it would continue, the Council's annual wage bill has already decreased by £300,000. Additionally, some staff have decided to stay at the Council when they may have otherwise moved-on.

The Council outlined in September 2022 how, for more than a year, it had only been able to fill around eight out of every ten, or fewer, of its vacancies. Not being able to fill vacant posts – or using agency staff to cover them – is not only expensive but also disruptive.

At a meeting on 15th May Cabinet members agreed to extend the four-day week trial up until the end of March 2024. The Council had already pledged to investigate expanding the trial to its bin crews.

What is a Four Day Week?

A four-day week is where staff complete 100% of their work, in 80% of the time, for 100% of their pay, by becoming more productive.

The Council had outlined how it would use its standard performance metrics which are regularly monitored to keep a check on how services performed during the three-month trial from January to March this year.

An industry-standard health and wellbeing survey was also used to measure the impact on staff, with one survey carried out in August 2022 before the four-day week trial was announced, and a follow-up in April this year.

The Bennett Institute for Public Policy at the University of Cambridge was asked to independently review the Council's data from the trial, to ensure it was analysed without any risk of bias. They analysed data from 18 different key areas, covering performance in Planning, Housing, Transformation, Human Resources and Corporate Services and Finance.

The data shows:

- Nine out of the 16 areas monitored show substantial improvement when comparing the trial period from January to March to the same period in 2022.
- The remaining seven areas monitored either remain at similar levels compared to the same period last year or saw a slight decline.
- The Bennett Institute noted however that not a single area of performance fell to a concerning level during the trial.

The full data from the trial has been published on the Council's website.

At May's Cabinet meeting, Cabinet members agreed to approve the trial of a four-day week waste collection service for three months from this summer. Cambridge City Council will also discuss and consider these plans before this is confirmed.

If Cambridge City Council agree, it will mean changes to bin days for some residents across Greater Cambridge later this year.

For further information contact Tom Horn in South Cambridgeshire District Council's communications team on tom.horn@scambs.gov.uk or 07704 072 548, or the political contacts below:

Please note that the Council is currently trialling a four-day week to improve recruitment, retention and wellbeing. My working days are therefore Tuesday to Friday. On my non-working day (Monday), you can contact communications@scambs.gov.uk instead.

The discussion on the four day week trial continues on next page where alternative viewpoints are expressed.

The Cambourne Crier has provided this information, but does not express any opinion on these pages.

Letter from Anthony Browne, MP for Cambourne to Leader of SCDC Council, Councillor Bridget Smith, in response to four day week

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Dear Bridget,

Re: Lack of transparency around 4-Day Week Trial

Last year, under your leadership and with your full support, the Liberal Democrats at South Cambridgeshire District Council voted to trial a controversial new working arrangement for council staff. During the trial, officers in full-time desk-based roles worked a 4-day week instead of 5 (part-time staff hours reduced by 20%) with no reduction in overall pay.

Last week, it was revealed that, for the last three years, the Council's Chief Executive has been undertaking a part-time PhD focused on the 4-day week. It has also been confirmed that whilst she is paying for PhD herself, she intends to use the data from the Council's trial to support her PhD thesis.

UKRI defines a conflict of interest as 'a situation in which an individual's ability to exercise judgement or act in one role is, could be, or is seen to be impaired or otherwise influenced by their involvement in another role or relationship'. The Chief Executive's leading role in proposing and promoting the 4-day working week trial to Councillors - whilst at the same time intending to use the data for her own PhD study - clearly falls within this definition.

You have confirmed that the Chief Executive disclosed details of her PhD studies to you and other senior councillors from the outset. This information was, however, not shared with other councillors or the public. Whether or not there is an express legal duty of disclosure, it is clearly in the public interest to have transparency around such issues. One can only conclude that you and a select group of your fellow councillors made a conscious decision to withhold wider disclosure of this information.

At last weeks meeting of the Council's Employment and Staffing Committee, committee members were asked to consider a draft report and recommend it to the Council's Cabinet for approval. The report (for which the Chief Executive is the lead officer) hails the trial of the 4-day week as a success and recommends that it be extended to March 2024, together with an additional three-month trial for facilities staff. Again, this is a clear conflict of interest as the lead officer of the report stands to benefit personally from the further data acquired from an extended and expanded trial.

It is, of course, not unusual for those in leadership roles to undertake academic studies either on a self-funded or employer-funded basis. This can be beneficial for both the employee, who gains qualifications that enhance their earning potential and career prospects and for the employer, who may benefit from the new knowledge and skills their employee brings to the organisation. But senior managers do not normally change the entire working practice of their organisation as part of data gathering experiment for their self-funded studies. (Abridged) *The letter continues, and asked a series of specific questions regarding who was made aware of the situation and whether legal advice was sought.*

The Prime Minister, Rishi Sunak says residents deserve better from SCDC

The Prime Minister has criticised service reductions at South Cambridgeshire District Council (SCDC) and urged them to reconsider their four-day working week programme.

As part of the regular Prime Minister's Question Time, South Cambs' MP Anthony Browne raised the continuing trial of a four-day working week for SCDC's staff. Highlighting the increased costs and reduction in services following the Four Day week trial, which includes a decrease in the proportion of phone calls answered and huge rises in the time to process benefit claims, Mr

In response to a question from Anthony Browne, MP for South Cambridgeshire, the Prime Minister reiterated his point and called on the Council to reconsider their proposals, saying:

"Public servants should rightly focus on delivering for the public and taxpayers, and it is disappointing to hear from my Hon. Friend that his local Liberal Democrat Council is not doing this, reducing – as I heard – staff contact hours and costing residents more. I urge the Council to reconsider their decision because his residents and constituents in South Cambridgeshire District Council deserve better"

Mr Browne commented: *"What is happening in South Cambs is a travesty that deserves national attention. Residents are putting up with poorer services and increase in costs, as a result of a policy they have had no vote on....."*

Both articles submitted by the offices of Anthony Browne MP

Research by the Taxpayer Alliance regarding four day week at SCDC

Residents of Cambourne and South Cambridgeshire will have a part time council until at least March 2024. This isn't something they were properly asked about, let alone given the chance to vote for.

The four-day working week trial, which began in January 2023 and was initially only supposed to run until March 2023, will now run until March 2024 after a meeting on 15th May. It means 100 per cent pay, for just 80 per cent of hours. It means that since 2017/18 residents of Cambourne and South Cambridgeshire have seen their council tax go up by 20 per cent, while the staff at their local authority have seen their hours reduced by 20 per cent.

From our conversations with local residents, we know why they are concerned. They are concerned that the council's performance, already disappointing while working five days, will suffer. The council's own data shows less than impressive results from the trial. The amount of time it takes them to answer the phone has almost doubled.

Councils are providers of vital services that have a direct impact on the lives of local people. The health and wellbeing of council staff is important. But it shouldn't come before the interests of local taxpayers.

With data on the workings of a four-day week currently still so limited, it's completely inappropriate to use a small district council as the subject of this experiment. That is why we launched our campaign to stop the council clock off. While we didn't succeed this time round we will be back for more.

Submitted by Elliot Keck of the Tax Payers Alliance

COMMUNITY

Cambourne MP appointed as PM's anti-fraud champion

Anthony Browne, MP has been appointed by the Prime Minister, Rishi Sunak, to coordinate regulatory and legislative measures to stop fraudsters operating in the UK.

Now the most common crime in Britain, fraud represents 41 per cent of all offences, with one in fifteen people falling victim every year at a cost of nearly £7 billion.

The appointment is part of the government National Fraud Strategy, to take the fight to scammers. Building on previous experience overseeing the banking industry's initiatives to tackle fraud, Mr Browne will lead the government's engagement with tech firms to put scammers out of business as well as building international partnerships to disrupt fraudsters overseas.

Using a multi-pronged approach to tackling fraud, the Strategy is targeted at stopping fraud happening in the first place, with bans on cold calling and 'sim farms' as well as a crackdown on 'number spoofing', which is used by fraudsters to impersonate legitimate UK phone numbers.

These measures will be combined with a public awareness campaign to ensure that fraudsters who try to con victims with unsolicited communications will be shut out.

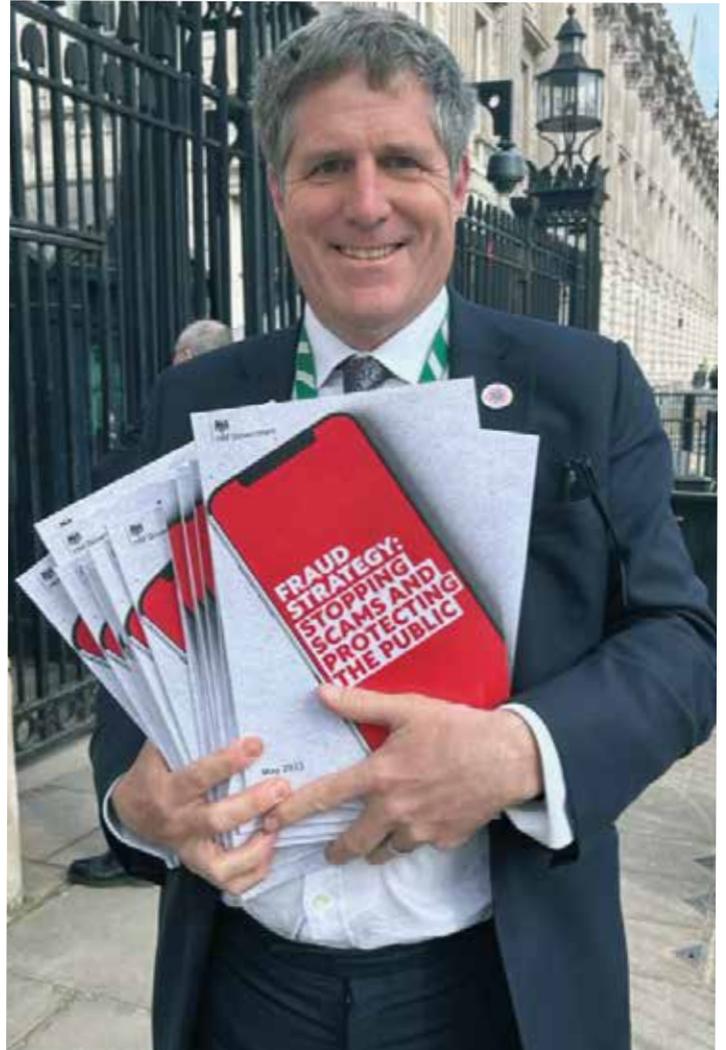
The Strategy also includes a new National Fraud Squad made up of 500 specialist investigators, while the system for reporting fraud is due to be overhauled with a £30 million investment in a simpler route for reporting fraud online.

Mr Browne commented: "Fraud is one of the coldest and most devastating forms of modern crime, with victims stripped of their dignity as well as their savings by anonymous criminals working in gangs, often overseas. This strategy is just the first step the Government will take in cracking down on this multi-billion-pound criminal enterprise, taking aim at the fraudsters toolbox while strengthening our investigative resources.

"I'm delighted to be helping lead this renewed fight against scammers. The Prime Minister and I are determined to put these fraudsters out of business, and this is just the start."

It was reported that this strategy will include:

- Outlaw so-called "SIM farms", technical devices that allow criminals to scam texts to thousands of people at the same time
- Work with Ofcom to stop more cases of number 'spoofing', where scammers impersonate UK numbers and trick people into thinking they're speaking to banks, telephone companies or other legitimate businesses
- Ban cold calls on all financial products, so that anyone who receives calls trying to sell them products such as crypto currency schemes or insurance will know it's a scam
- Launch a new National Fraud Squad led by the National Crime Agency and the City of London Police – backed by 400 new posts work with international partners and make greater use of the UK's intelligence community to identify and disrupt more fraudsters



overseas

- Empower and educate people to better protect themselves by investing £30 million in a state-of-the-art reporting centre which will be up and running in the year
- Work with tech companies to make it as simple as possible to report fraud online. Regardless of which social media platform you are on, you should be able to find the 'report' button within a single click
- Look at giving banks more time to process payments, to allow suspicious payments to be investigated and stopping people from falling victim to fraudsters.

■ Please find a link below to the National Fraud Strategy - https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/118480/national-fraud-strategy.pdf

■ Should you require further information regarding this report, please contact:

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Cambourne Team just half a point away from the Gold Medal at National HSS (UK) Sports Competition

Brimming with sporting spirit, several men, women and children from Cambourne and Cambridge participated in the HSS (UK)'s National Sports Competition (Khel Pratiyogita) on 25th and 26th March 2023.

A full weekend dedicated to playing traditional Indian games, kabaddi, kho kho, ring and of course, football!

The women's team from Cambourne and Cambridge came very close to winning the national trophy for the kho kho game achieving the runner up position by a mere half point. This is a game where one team sits down in a row alternately facing opposite directions. One of the members of this team runs to catch the active participants of the opposite team without crossing the line giving kho (a nudge) from behind to a sitting member close to any of the runners. These active runners, three at a time, run weaving through the row, sprinting at times to avoid being caught. Don't be a surprise if you see HSS members practicing sprint runs around Cambourne in preparation for next year with their eyes on the top prize.

Shakhas (branches) from all across the UK came to take part in this tournament. Participants aged six years and above, formed teams to play in their respective age-based leagues, for each sport. After weeks of practising and preparing for the tournament all players engaged in several matches, displaying sporting spirit, discipline and enthusiasm.

This year a record-breaking number of participants were seen, making this HSS (UK)'s most successful Khel Pratiyogita to date. Running over two days, a record breaking 1,403 participants played 404 matches in total!



New phone app to help Addenbrooke's and Rosie patients navigate hospital

Patients have led the way in a project to make it easier to find your way around Addenbrooke's and the Rosie hospitals.

The new CUH Directions app was developed by patients for patients and was the idea of hospital volunteer Mike, a member of the hospital's Outpatient Experience Group, who led on the project with hospital staff.

The app maps out your route from your start to end point in a series of images and words, showing you the shortest route through the hospitals.

Visit the App Store or Google Play Store and download to your mobile device.

Find out more at: <https://www.cuh.nhs.uk/news/new-cuh-directions-phone-app-helps-patients-find-the-way/>

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Light Up Cambourne
VOLUNTARILY TRAINING THE TOWN
BINGO Night

Saturday, June 24th, 2023
The Hub, Cambourne
Doors open at 6.45 PM,
Eyes down at 7:30 PM

Tickets £16 including all bingo games and a chip shop supper!
Dabbers and Extra Books - £1 each
Also featuring a bar, snacks and Rock 'n' Roll Bingo!

Wine and cash prizes to be won!
Book in advance by emailing lightupcambourne@gmail.com

SPORT

Cricket Club celebrates the Coronation

CAMBOURNE CRICKET CLUB was delighted to host the Coronation weekend's 'Picnic on the Green' on Monday 08 May - and whilst the weather was less than fit for a King, several hundred residents made their way to Upper Cambourne and enjoyed a Pimm's at the Third Man! With live music providing the perfect backdrop, and even a special edition 'His Majesty' pale ale on offer from the local Lord Conrad's Brewery (Dry Drayton), it was certainly an occasion to remember.

The Third Man bar at the Upper Cambourne pavilion is open every Friday throughout the season, and Saturdays on match days. We hope to see you there - and we again reiterate our thanks for your continued custom and support; as all the income from the Third Man is ploughed back into the Club's facilities, such as a brand new astroturf wicket to be installed at Lower Cambourne later this month.

The development of practice and playing facilities is especially important as we continue to grow - with a flourishing Academy and ever-expanding girls' section that goes from strength to strength. We are again running the ECB's All Stars and Dynamos programmes at Lower until 15 July, and are thrilled that spaces on both these programmes are already fully booked!



With the season now well and truly in full swing, come on down and support the Bombers this June - selected home fixtures for this month below:

Saturday 3rd: 2nd XI vs Wilburton I CC (Upper); 3rd XI vs Steeple Morden I CC (Lower)

Saturday 10th: 2nd XI vs Madingley I CC (Upper); 3rd XI vs Madingley II CC (Lower)

Saturday 17th: 4th XI vs Barley II CC (Lower)

Saturday 24th: 2nd XI vs Ramsey II CC (Upper); 4th XI vs Sawston IV CC (Lower)

CAMBOURNE SUMMER FAYRE
 JUNE 23, 2023 | HARDWICK AND CAMBOURNE COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL
 SHEEPFOLD LANE
 4.30PM - 7.30PM

PRIZES
 FACE PAINTING
 INFLATABLES
 BAR
 FREE ENTRY
 FOOD VANS
 GAMES
 STALLS

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8th ANNUAL CAMBOURNE SCIENCE FAIR

A different and unique Science Festival where young children demonstrate science projects, experiments and ideas to the public

SUNDAY, JUNE 25
 FROM 2.00 - 6.00 PM
 FREE ENTRY WITH CERTIFICATES & PRIZES
 AT HUB CB23 6GW

MORE INFORMATION shrobona@gmail.com

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Cambourne Town Football Club: news and updates

CTFC is pleased to announce new sessions for U7/U8 and U9/U10 aged players via our new Development Centre. These bouts are for players who are not currently part of any of our age group football teams. The purpose of the Centre is to help develop players' confidence and their skills in a fun and friendly environment. Delivered by Grant Cooper, former pro footballer, and in Partnership with Coops Soccer School, the sessions are pay on the day (via card) and priced at £5 per session.

Pre-registration is required, you cannot just turn up and participate, and details are on our website or email: development@cambournetownfc.org.uk for more information.

Places are expected to be in high demand so please hurry if you wish to get your child a space!

Have you been considering advertising locally? How about having your logo on a team's kit and watching their progression? We have several teams without sponsors. Could this be your business or maybe your employer? We have teams of different age ranges (boys and girls) with a range of sponsorship options depending on your budget. See 'sponsorship enquiry' on the



top of our website to download a sponsorship pack or email marketingandsponsorship@cambournetownfc.org.uk

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. In June, July and August it will be open from 7pm Fridays, 5:30pm on Saturdays and from 6pm on Sundays.

Coming up at The Dugout... Stop press...We now have ice cream on sale for the warmer months! Let the Fun BeGin! in June we have a Gin offer with

doubles and a mixer priced at £5.50. Monthly promotions for July & August to come! Fun and games on the pitches throughout the months until August. Gin Tasting fun! 8th July, please book tickets by 23rd June. Doors will open at 6.30pm with the fun starting at 7.30pm priced at £30 per person. Non-drinkers are very welcome as non alcoholic gin can be used in the experience. Please check out our event shop to browse and book events cambournetownfc.square.site Thank you for your continued support of The Dugout and the club.

Ladies and Mens Teams Round-up:

Cambourne Town FC Ladies team: 3 wins and a draw and 2 defeats in the final games of the season sees our Ladies team finish 3rd in the league in what has been undoubtedly our best ever season. We are preparing for next season where we hope to improve our chances for promotion.

Cambourne Town FC Mens team (Saturdays): The team have not had a game since the April run of matches, overall the team finished the season poorly but are looking forward to building into next season.

SPORT

Tennis Club to host 24hr marathon for Melanoma UK

CAMBOURNE TENNIS CLUB: Head coach Toby Jackson will host a Charity 24hr Tennis Marathon for Melanoma UK starting midday on Saturday 15th July.

Why is Toby organising this? "Eight years ago, my mum was diagnosed with melanoma. Fortunately, it was spotted early enough to be removed without the cancer spreading further. However, this dramatically changed how my family and those close to us value sun safety," says Toby.

As a tennis coach, I'm exposed to the sun's UV radiation all day, every day. I'm now more aware of protective measures - for example wearing long sleeves, topping up on sun cream more often and regularly checking my body for any new or changed moles/markings.

"I'm organising this event to increase awareness around skin cancer, the 5th most common cancer in the UK. Melanoma UK gives much needed support to patients during the very difficult times faced upon diagnosis. They aim to help patients access the best care available and support them throughout their journeys."

What's the plan? Our event running for a full 24hrs, and will consist of several activities, divided into four hour slots, each with a theme. You can sign up to any number of time slots and play as much or as little as you like within each slot. All abilities will be catered for. Any time on court raising money for charity is amazing.

How long will you last? There will also be extra activities, including tennis with anything but a racket (shoe/cricket bat etc.), a



serving speed gun and table tennis! In addition food and drink is available throughout the event, including a BBQ Saturday evening (7 pm) and breakfast on Sunday morning (9am). BBQ food will be £1/item, and other snacks/treats will be 50p. All money raised will be donated to Melanoma UK.

For more details and to sign up for a slot visit www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/24hr-charity-tennis-marathon-tickets-627871178597

We encourage you to ask friends, family, colleagues ... your hairdresser ... to sponsor you. You can collect the money using our sponsor form and then pay into the Just Giving page.

Alternatively, you can ask potential sponsors to donate directly via this link; www.justgiving.com/page/tobias-jackson-1682839395081. Either way, all funds will go to Melanoma UK!

Cambourne Bowls is ready for the summer season

CAMBOURNE BOWLS CLUB:

Due to inclement weather we are yet to start our league campaign. Bowls club nights continue on Monday and Thursday evenings from 6pm. The bowling green is a facility available to all residents. If you haven't tried bowls before, please come along and give it a try, we have plenty of spare equipment and there will normally be someone available for basic instruction.

We have had a change of secretary and from now on for information about bowls please contact Stuart Palmer on 07860 654057 or Cambournebowls@gmail.com



Gambourne 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
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The Blue Space, Cambourne
CB23 6DZ

Find us on Google or Facebook @Cam.Balkan.Dance