



Cambourne 2025 brings Cambourne Scouts together for fun-packed weekend



Over the second weekend in September, 120 young people from Cambourne, aged between four and 15, took part in the inaugural **Cambourne 2025** - a joint camp

comprising members of both 1st and 2nd Cambourne Scout Groups.

Taking place at Hallowtree Scout Activity Centre near Ipswich on 12-14 September, the camp included the

Squirrels (aged 4-6) who slept indoors; plus the Beavers (aged 6-8), Cubs (aged 8-10.5), Scouts (aged 10.5-14) and young leaders (aged 15) all camping outside. *Continued on page 12...*

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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 or

download the application form at www.cambournecrier.org

■ AGAR 2025

The Town Council has been diligently working to address the issues raised in the Annual Governance and Accountability Return for 2024/25. A detailed outline of the actions taken can be found on our website for transparency and ease of access.

In addition, a monthly update is being provided to the Councillors at Full Council meetings to ensure ongoing progress and accountability.

We remain fully committed to serving the residents of Cambourne and sincerely appreciate your patience and understanding as we work through these important matters.

■ Miyawaki woods – a new volunteering opportunity

This autumn, we are looking for volunteers to assist with planting trees in the new Miyawaki Woods in November.

This exciting project is being carried out in collaboration with South Cambridgeshire District Council. A special thank you goes to John Cornell and his team, as well as our ground staff, for their dedication and hard work in bringing this project to life. If you are interested in helping out, please contact us at:

office@cambournetowncouncil.gov.uk

■ Staffing vacancies

The Town Council is currently recruiting for two important positions: Community Development Officer and Responsible Financial Officer. If you're passionate about making a positive impact on our local community, we'd love to hear from you!

For more information on the roles and how to apply, please email

clerk@cambournetowncouncil.gov.uk

■ Pop-up Shop

The Town Council has submitted a planning application for a new pop-up shop that will serve as a central space for community support. The shop will initially house a food bank, providing much-needed assistance to local families, with the exciting prospect of adding a post office in the future - pending further review and the application process.

Located near the Hub, this prime location will make it easily accessible to residents, offering a convenient place for essential services. The project has been made possible thanks to generous funding from the South Cambridgeshire District Council. This initiative represents a significant step forward in supporting our community, and we look forward to seeing it come to life.

■ Council meetings are held at 7pm in the Meeting Room at The Hub Community Centre

Members of the public are welcome to observe.

- 7th October, 7pm
Planning Committee
followed by Full Council
- 21st October, 7pm
Planning Committee
followed by Finance and Policy
- 4th November, 7pm
Planning Committee
followed by Full Council
- 18th November, 7pm
- Planning Committee
followed by Leisure and
Amenities Committee

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Town Clerk: clerk@cambournetowncouncil.gov.uk

www.cambournetowncouncil.gov.uk



MOBILE POST OFFICE:

The Hub Car Park

Mondays: 1.30-4.00pm

Wednesdays: 12.30-4.00pm

Tel: 01480 464 757

BIN COLLECTIONS:

Check your collection date here:

www.scams.gov.uk/recycling-and-bins/find-your-household-bin-collection-day

Act of Remembrance and parade to take place in Cambourne on 9 November

This year, the Act of Remembrance will take place on Sunday 9th November at 10.50am outside Cambourne Church.

Everyone is welcome at this event as we say 'thank you' to all who have served, sacrificed and changed our world and also to those who are currently doing so. There will be the opportunity for the uniformed organisations, community groups, local businesses and individuals to lay wreaths at the foot of the cross during the service.

There will be a parade of the uniformed organisations starting at the junction of the High Street and Monkfield Lane (by the Monkfield Arms) and moving along the High Street, turning in front of Cambourne Church and then into the church car park from Eastgate. After the service, the parade will then move from the church to the cricket pavilion at the junction of Eastgate and Back Lane.

After the Act of Remembrance, everyone is warmly invited to stay at Cambourne Church for hot drinks and cakes.



The parade route will be closed to all traffic (except pedestrians etc) between 10.00am and 11.45am while the Act of Remembrance and parade take place. Diversions along Broad Street, De La Warr Way and Back Lane will be in place. During this time, the whole of the church car park will be in use for both the parade and members of the public - therefore, please ensure that no vehicles are left in the car park on the Sunday morning. Please contact office@cambournechurch.org.uk for further details.



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Cambourne Library

Remembering Summer...

We would like to give a special mention to our fabulous young volunteers who helped to run the Summer Reading Challenge this year. Volunteers have helped in promoting and delivering the Reading Challenge to children, their parents/carers and assisting with supporting events and activities. This summer almost 7,000 children have taken part in the Summer Reading Challenge across Cambridgeshire Libraries, and the support of our young volunteers has been invaluable.

Thank you and best wishes in your studies this year.

Calling out to local groups

We are in the initial stages of planning an outreach programme with local community groups. We would really like to hear from you if you are involved in running a local group to see if we can work collaboratively with you to shine a light on what is happening in our local area and how the library can serve the community in addition to the library offer.

Please contact cambourne.referral@cambridgeshire.gov.uk with your group's name and contact details.

Cirros Printing

We are now able to offer printing from both our public PCs and remote devices such as customers own laptops and smartphones. In addition, your printing and photocopying is now paid for by credit or debit card on the payment device attached to the printer. While we all learn how to use this new system there are instruction leaflets available in the library to help navigate how to print and photocopy your documents.

Access to library computers and the photocopier/printer in the foyer is on a self-service basis.

Rhyme time/Storytime

Our Rhyme time/Story time sessions with our regular volunteers are on Fridays at 9.30am-10am in the Child and Family Centre Activity room, Sackville House.

Green Libraries Week: 27 October - 2 November 2025

A national campaign highlighting how libraries can lead the way in promoting sustainability and environmental awareness. See local libraries for more inspiration.

Black History Month - Reclaiming Narratives

October sees the Black History Month, and this year's theme is "Reclaiming Narratives". It's all about amplifying Black voices, celebrating cultural achievements, and exploring untold or underrepresented stories from history.

Explore our e books and audio books for Black History Month. Your Cambridgeshire Libraries library card gives you free access to our online library.

Knit, Sew and Natter Group Craft Group

Please contact cambourne.referral@cambridgeshire.gov.uk while we are closed for more information.

Cambourne Lunch Bunch Book Group

Please contact cambourne.referral@cambridgeshire.gov.uk while we are closed for more information.

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Tuesday: 10am-1pm:
Wednesday: 10am to 1pm
2.30pm to 5.30pm
Thursday: Closed
Friday: 2:30pm to 5.30pm
Saturday: 10am to 1pm
Sunday: Closed
Closed on Bank Holidays

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Monday: Closed
Tuesday: 10am to 1pm,
2pm to 5pm
Wednesday: 10am to 1pm
Thursday: 2pm to 5pm
Friday: 10am - 5pm
Saturday: 10am to 1pm
Sunday: Closed
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Cambourne

There will be a **mobile library** at The Hub car park on Saturdays 11th and Saturday 25th October from 10.00am to 4.00pm

All return dates will be extended throughout the closure period, however, items can be returned to any Cambridgeshire library, or mobile library.

Team Wilder invites Cambourne to take action for wildlife

Team Wilder

The Wildlife Trust for Beds, Cambs and Northants is embracing a new approach to working with people. Team Wilder aims to support community groups and individuals who have ideas and ongoing projects that look to achieve aims that align with our own.

Our mission is to achieve nature in recovery by conserving local wildlife, inspiring people to take action for wildlife, and sharing knowledge. We are looking to empower people to take action at a grass-roots level, so the support we can offer might be training, signposting, or advice. We might be able to help you

connect with more community champions, create better advertising, look for funding, or teach you how to identify the wildlife on your patch so you can share it with others. Maybe you want to encourage your allotment friends to be more wildlife-friendly, help your neighbourhood hedgehogs, or transform a neglected patch in your community for wildlife. You might want to set up an eco-group, organise a bioblitz, or campaign for nature. Whether you are an existing group or just a person with a passion for wildlife, we want to hear from you!

October events

Trumpington Meadows:

- Mon 13th AM Monthly meander for adults
- Weds 15th AM Seasonal stroll for adults
- Sat 18th AM Nature and Natter: pond dipping for adults
- Thurs 30th AM Wilder Stories at Rock Road Library for ages 3-8
- Fri 31st AM Youth Rangers practical volunteering task

Cambourne:

- Friday mornings Little Bugs pre-school sessions for ages 2-4
- Thurs 23rd PM Wilder Stories at Cambourne Library for ages 3-8
- Wed 29th PM Family night walk for ages 7+

Booking is essential. Search for events and book at wildlifebcn.org/events

Local enquiries

Rebecca.Neal@wildlifebcn.org
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TrumpingtonMeadows@wildlifebcn.org
Facebook: @TrumpingtonMeadowsNatureReserve

General enquiries

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Smart Journeys brings active travel and free bike repairs to West Cambourne

West Cambourne - Travel Plan

Smart Journeys are the Travel Plan Co-ordinators for West Cambourne and are pleased to announce new travel initiatives and incentives that are on offer in West Cambourne to reduce the number of vehicle trips to the site. Sharon Forbes, the Sustainable Travel Planning Manager for West Cambourne says, "Smart Journeys aspiration is to bring the West Cambourne Community closer together through sustainable and active travel, working towards an inclusive, happy, healthy, and greener environment for local residents".

If you have any questions or need any travel advice in your local area, please contact: westcambourne@SmartJourneys.co.uk For general enquiries, please contact info@smartjourneys.co.uk

Smart Journeys Sustainable Travel Launch Event – Saturday 19th July 2025

Smart Journeys attended their Sustainable Travel Launch Event on Saturday, 19th July 2025 at Dobbins Avenue. The event was an opportunity for Smart Journeys to meet with the local residents and to get a better understanding of their travel and transport needs. The wet and rainy weather did not stop our West Cambourne residents popping by and they received a complimentary free bike repair session; delivered by Outspoken, along with being offered a variety of sustainable travel freebies, and a chance to try out the smoothie bikes and pedal powered Scalextric games! For more information about Smart Journeys, please visit www.smartjourneys.co.uk.

Free Monthly Bike Repair Service – Exclusive to West Cambourne Residents

On Saturday 4th October 2025, from 10:30 - 13:30hrs Smart Journeys in Partnership with Taylor Wimpy/Vistry will be providing FREE monthly bike repair services, delivered by Outspoken Cycles, and exclusive to West Cambourne residents only. These sessions will be put in place to encourage and incentivise the West Cambourne community to be more active, and travel more sustainably. The first session will be held on Saturday 4th October and will be on a booking basis in advance. Thereafter, sessions will be held on the first Saturday of the month, between 10:30am-1:30pm up to six months, when the service will be reviewed.

Please visit www.outspokencycles.co.uk/cambourne-dr-bike to book a place. For more information contact westcambourne@smartjourneys.co.uk



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COMMUNITY

Commuter survey for West Cambourne residents

Smart Journeys are pleased to announce the launch of their 2025 Annual Commuter Survey, which will be live from Monday 13th October to Sunday 26th October 2025. This survey will help capture data on travel behaviours in the local community and help Smart Journeys understand the community's current sustainable transport needs.

Smart Journeys cannot effectively support the West Cambourne community if they do not know what is on the minds of the residents. Smart Journeys therefore urge West Cambourne residents to take advantage of this opportunity to have their say by actively taking part. Residents are also asked to share and encourage their friends, family, and neighbours in West Cambourne to participate. Your contribution will support future plans to improve transport facilities and infrastructure in your local and surrounding area.

The survey is very quick and easy to do, and by participating prizes could be won! A £50 Amazon voucher, Morrisons, or Co-op vouchers, and much more! To access the survey from 13th October 2025, please scan the QR code above, or visit www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/WC2025

For all survey enquiries, please contact info@smartjourneys.co.uk

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Thank you in advance for sharing your comments.



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NHS Survey – Your views matters in Cambourne

I have launched a new health survey, asking residents about their experience of the NHS.

I am interested in hearing about your experiences of ambulance, surgery and cancer treatment waiting times and more general access to GPs and dentists. There is also an opportunity to detail any specific poor instances of NHS treatment that you might have had. Every response I receive will help build a picture of NHS services in our area, and what I need to do to help improve those that are failing.

If you would like to help me fight to improve our NHS, you can find my survey at www.iansollom.org/NHSSurvey.

I constantly receive messages from constituents

about the poor service they are experiencing on trains to and from London, as well as the rising cost of already costly fares.

I recently raised this with the Secretary of State for Transport in Parliament and pressed her on how she justifies poor service at such a high cost to residents.

While she told me that the Government has not yet confirmed pricing for next year's fares, it seems inevitable that fares will go up if inflation continues to be as high as it is now. She is now, at least, on record saying that fares will be a "balance between affordability and what is fair for taxpayers", and I will certainly be holding her to account on this statement.



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STEPHEN DREW
District Councillor
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I love being part of the community in Cambourne

I love living in Cambourne and being part of our community. The diversity of the people who make up our town is one of the most wonderful things about living here.

One of the beauties of the nature of Britishness is that it has the capacity and space to grow, develop and improve as the years go by.

In recent years we have welcomed many Ukrainians to our town. They have brought new energy and culture to us all. During the same period we have welcomed many new residents from Hong Kong to Cambourne.

The arrival of both groups has enhanced our town in so many ways and I look forward to more

new people coming into our town as it develops in the coming years.

I am constantly struck by what a brilliant place to be part of, our town really is.

However, we are living in a time of great challenges. We want to encourage diversity, living together in harmony and celebrating community life that makes our country so great.

I never want division to become part of the life of our town and will work with all my fellow councillors to make sure that the joy and wonder of our being part of what is still a young community is enhanced and celebrated for everyone who is part of it.

Dyspraxia - Developmental Co-ordination Disorder

Dyspraxia (Developmental Co-ordination Disorder, DCD), is a condition which affects physical coordination.

It can cause children to appear to move in a clumsy way and they may not perform as well as might be expected in normal daily activities. Dyspraxia does not affect intelligence, but can mean that children are later in reaching their normal milestones, such as crawling, walking, eating independently and writing.

As all children develop at different times, this can mean that getting a diagnosis of dyspraxia can be slow and a child may not be diagnosed until they are over five years old. It is not clear why some people develop dyspraxia, but it is more common in boys and men and may be

linked to being born prematurely and having a low birth weight. Having other family members who have dyspraxia may also make it more likely. Reporting concerns to a doctor, health visitor or school is important so children can receive the practical and emotional support they need to thrive. There are many ways those with dyspraxia can be supported, such as with equipment, occupational therapy and help learning skills in different ways.

Dyspraxia is a lifelong condition, but good support and coping strategies can mean that symptoms feel more manageable.

■ **Further information:**
www.nhs.uk/conditions/developmental-coordination-disorder-dyspraxia



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COMMUNITY

Alzheimer's Society Dementia support

The Alzheimer's Society has a team of fully trained Dementia Advisers who are here to support everyone affected by dementia or worried about memory, their family members and carers.

As well as providing you with information, we can help you to understand dementia better, for example, helping with communication, eating and drinking, washing and dressing, etc. We will work with you to find strategies to cope with the difficulties that you face. Our staff will offer you a listening ear and a safe space to discuss the emotional impact of this. Our

service is free and confidential, and can be accessed at any point and as often as needed.

We can help you to access benefits and any other services that may support you. We can also help you to plan for the future. We have a range of services including one-to-one support, virtual groups and information sessions, and are available in over 60 GP surgeries around the county.

If there is any way we can help you, please give us a call on 01223 620962 or email at cambridgeshiredementia@alzheimers.org.uk

£300,000 available to support community services in South Cambs

A £300,000 annual funding programme has launched, aimed at empowering local groups that deliver vital services to South Cambridgeshire residents.

The Service Support Grants funding has significantly increased from the previous £167,400 a year budget - the enhanced funding acknowledges a growing pressure faced by the voluntary, community and social enterprise sector - particularly in response to the ongoing cost of living crisis.

From mental health support for young people to advice services for vulnerable residents, and from neighbourhood schemes to community transport, the funding aims to reach those most in need and to help build inclusive, resilient communities.

Cllr John Williams, Lead Cabinet Member for Resources for South Cambridgeshire District Council, said:

"Organisations working to make a real difference in people's lives are encouraged to apply to help build stronger, more connected communities."

The applications deadline is 5pm on Friday 31 October. Funding runs from April 2026 to March 2029.

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CAMBOURNE CHURCH



Harvest time in the Jubilee Garden

We don't "plough the fields", nor "scatter good seed on the ground"! In the Jubilee Community Garden at Cambourne Church we use "no dig" cultivation to grow lovely fresh vegetables, harvested each Wednesday for Thursday Foodbank.

The weeds are suppressed with cardboard and a layer of green waste compost, so that the soil ecology is intact and working in harmony with the crops. That does mean that seeds are best started in modules ready to be put in the ground as sturdy young plants. Then they need protection from some of the other natural wonders like caterpillars and deer.

It's not "easy gardening", and it's not always successful, but it has been a delight. Who would have thought, just two years ago, that we would be able to give almost year-round support to the Foodbank?

The land around the church building is a resource to share in many ways; the flower beds round the Annexe have been bright with poppies, marigolds and sunflowers - all good for insects. Ladybird-counting this summer was fun by the back door. The long grass and wildflowers have buzzed with bees, hoverflies and crickets, and we saw 10 different species of butterfly in the Big Butterfly Count. Making an Eco Church Community Garden means we take notice now, and everyone can spend time among the wonders of God's natural world. Come and have a quiet sit, or join in the gardening: email garden@cambournechurch.org.uk "Then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord, for all his love."

Pam Thornton

Church Council rep for Jubilee Garden

SERVICES IN JULY 2025

Sun 5 Oct	10.00am	Sunday One - All-Age Service with Communion
Sun 12 Oct	09.30am 11.00am	Morning Worship Morning Worship*
Sun 19 Oct	09.30am 11.00am	Morning Worship with Communion Morning Worship* with Communion
Sun 26 Oct	09.30am 11.00am	Morning Worship Morning Worship*

* The 11.00am services have break-out groups for children and young people

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PEACEHAVEN BAPTIST CHURCH

Pastoral thoughts: Maintenance matters

Recently, I have been doing some maintenance. Both at home and in the ministry. Whether that is replacing a 20-year-old fence, recladding a shed, or ordering more USB sticks to transfer files for message PowerPoints, it is all maintenance. Repairing or replacing things when you plan on it is better than waiting for total collapse when you really need it. And the good thing is proper maintenance often is much cheaper and less time-consuming than most emergency replacements.

The same is true spiritually. If we neglect prayer, Bible reading, or fellowship, we may get by for a while, but eventually there will be a breakdown.

Jesus said in Matthew 26:41, "Watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation: the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak." Prayer and watchfulness are maintenance for the soul.

With the start of school, we are reminded how important daily habits and steady routines are. A student who studies a little each day fares far better than one who ignores the work until the night before an exam. In our walk with the Lord, a little faithful consistency prevents the crises of neglect. Hebrews 2:1 tells us, "Therefore we ought to give the more earnest heed to the things which we have heard, lest at any time we should let them slip." If we keep up with the "maintenance"

of faith, the burdens of life will not overwhelm us so easily.

So as this new season begins, let us look to our spiritual upkeep. Read the Scriptures, pray for one another, keep short accounts in forgiveness, and encourage your families in the Lord. Proverbs 4:23 reminds us, "Keep thy heart with all diligence; for out of it are the issues of life."

May we maintain our hearts with diligence, and so be ready for whatever lies ahead.

Stay safe, Cambourne, and look after one another.



**Pastor
Donovan Bangs**



PEACEHAVEN BAPTIST CHURCH

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11 AM Morning Worship
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Be the lift that someone needs: become a volunteer driver

Cambourne Car Scheme is sending out an urgent call for local volunteer drivers. This long-running vital service helps local residents from Cambourne and surrounding villages to get to places such as medical and social appointments, hospital visits, dentists, shopping trips etc, The service is door-to-door and drivers wait to take their passengers home when they are ready

If you have a car, can spare a few hours, and have a desire to give back, the car scheme would love to hear from you. Your mileage expenses are reimbursed, and your support will be truly appreciated.

One of our *Cambourne Crier* editors has benefited from their services and told us that without the scheme, she would have struggled to manage after her hospitalisation a few years ago left her temporarily unable to drive.

■ To learn more, contact Eric at: 07526 998465 or email: cambournecarscheme@gmail.com

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First joint Cambourne Scout camp a great success

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The Cubs and Scouts arrived on the Friday evening to set up their tents, which was followed by supper and wide games in the dark. Camp awoke early on Saturday morning ready for a big breakfast to set us up for the day and we were joined by the Squirrels and Beavers for activities which included archery, bouldering, grass sledging, air rifle shooting, firelighting, human table football, crafts, nature walks and knots. There was also free time to enjoy the campsite, find sticks and make new friends.

In the middle of the afternoon, activities were paused temporarily during a very dramatic thunderstorm - with forked lightning and hail - and we all took shelter in the dining hall, but were soon back outside.

After dinner that evening we enjoyed a traditional Scout campfire

with songs and toasted marshmallows and halloumi. We all slept well that night and in the morning, following another hearty breakfast, we packed up our kit and took down the tents before tackling an assault course, playing rounders and more human table football.

It was then time to end our brilliant camp with flag down and some presentations before we all said our goodbyes, with heads and hearts full of memories made and experiences gained from an epic Scouting weekend.

Prior to the camp, a competition had been held to design a camp badge and the winning entry, by Imogen from 2nd Cambourne Scouts, was presented to every attendee.

The organisers, comprising leaders from all group sections, had spent many months planning the camp and the dedicated catering team did an amazing job keeping everyone very well fed and watered. All camp participants would like to say a huge thank you to them and to all the other leaders, young leaders and parent helpers that took part in Campbourne 2025.



Digital Switchover: what you need to know

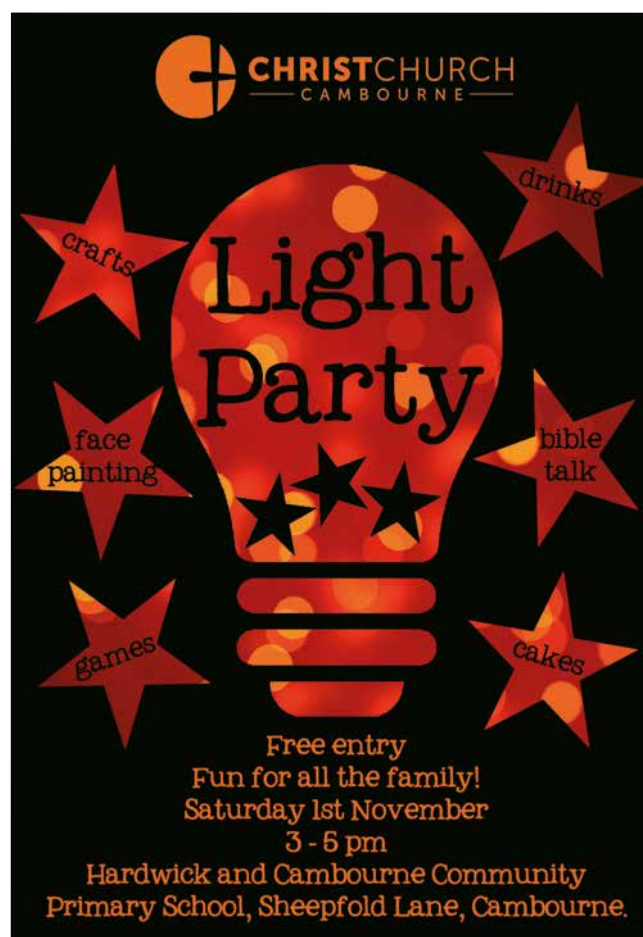
By January 2027, traditional landlines will be upgraded with digital technology. This national upgrade is known as the Digital Switchover and will mean that landline calls will be made over the internet instead of the old telephone network. Telephone providers are responsible for switching customers to the upgraded service.

It's important to check how the Digital Switchover will affect you, especially if you also rely on personal alarms or telecare devices (like fall detectors or lifelines), which may stop working. For many, the change will be simple. All you will have to do is plug your landline phone into a broadband router instead of a traditional phone socket. But if you don't have an internet connection at home, or if you rely on your landline every day, this change might affect you more.

Prepare for the Digital Switchover

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2. Ask for help if you need it - a trusted friend, family member or neighbour can help you make the call to your phone provider or speak to your provider on your behalf.
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EDUCATION

The Vine welcomes new pupils with play, forest school and harvest fun

The Vine Inter-Church Primary School have had a fantastic first few weeks of the academic year, especially as we welcomed our new Early Years pupils to Pre-School and Reception.

Our Early Years team have spent the past few weeks getting to know each individual child's needs and interests, by visiting them at their homes and spending valuable time playing with them in the classroom, to help build those important relationships. They have been getting to know each other by sharing their own "museum of me" boxes, drawing pictures of ourselves and our families and of course, having lots of fun playing together!

They have also had their first Forest School session in our well-resourced Forest School area in the beautiful school grounds. The benefits of these sessions are vast, from developing problem-solving skills, risk-taking, communication skills, to even using tools to create things! All these exciting skills take place weekly in our dedicated Forest School area



within the school site. Reception and Pre-School have particularly enjoyed playing with the rope swings, rope bridges, hammocks and climbing trees!

We have also had our first harvest in the school orchard, where we gathered lots of apples and pears, and really liked digging up the potatoes and sorting them by size.

Applications are open for both Pre-School and Reception places and we offer tours of the school by appointment. If you would like to find out more information please visit thevine.cambs.sch.uk or email office@thevine.cambs.sch.uk



Buddies help Reception children settle in at Monkfield Park

It has been a great start to the new academic year at Monkfield Park.

Learning is in full swing with so many exciting new topics to grip the children's imagination and inspire their curiosity.

We are very proud of our new Reception children who have settled in so quickly and are already enjoying being part of the Monkfield Park family. This year each Reception child has been 'buddied' with a Year 6 child who serves as a mentor, guide and friend to help them negotiate lots of those tricky tasks that can seem overwhelming when starting out at school. The Year 6 children have been trained to take on this important role and have been wonderful, positive role models for their

younger counterparts. The buddy system has been central to the Reception children settling in to the routines and rhythms of school life so quickly and having such a positive start to their school journey.

We were also delighted to hear that thanks to the hard work of our talented teachers, Monkfield Park has been awarded the Bronze Geography Quality Mark by the Geographical Association in recognition of our commitment to excellence in teaching and learning in geography. The report praised our curriculum for its diversity, for supporting investigation, considering global impacts and change and enabling children to think like geographers.



Have your say on SDCD council tax support scheme consultation



A public consultation has launched on proposed changes to South Cambridgeshire District Council's working age Local Council Tax Support scheme, which aims to provide greater support and improved outcomes for

customers. The consultation will enable residents and stakeholders to provide input on the proposed changes and allow the Council to assess the potential effects on residents. Additionally, the changes aim to streamline administration and improve efficiency, as well as align with other local authorities and prepare for future changes to local government. A finalised scheme based on the outcomes of the consultation will be presented to a Full Council meeting in February – when District Councillors will decide whether to adopt it.

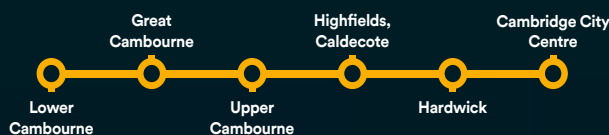
Summary of the proposed changes:

- Use of Universal Credit new claim notifications as application and award date - This aims to reduce the risk of residents missing out on support due to delays in submitting their Council Tax Support application or the application being received after their Universal Credit award is issued.
- Revisions to backdating provisions extend the backdating period up to 12 months and allow claims to be backdated to the date the Council Tax liability has been notified.
- Simplification of non-dependant deductions by introducing a flat-rate deduction.
- Alignment of disability and carer premiums with Universal Credit align the value of disability and carer premiums in the Local Council Tax Support calculation with those used in Universal Credit so residents can better understand their entitlement.
- Simplifying income bands and adjustment rules to reduce the number of income bands and introduce rules to disregard minor income changes.
- Enhancements to award notification processes by providing full award details via the online portal and include key information in Council Tax notifications.

SCDC's Lead Cabinet Member for Resources, Cllr John Williams, said: "The proposed changes aim to ensure residents receive the support they are entitled to, and I encourage people to take part in the consultation. The Council's means-tested banded discount scheme continues to provide up to 100% support for working-age residents, ensuring support reaches those most in need. Following a comprehensive review in 2023/24, the scheme was confirmed to be both robust and responsive - offering vital support to residents facing financial uncertainty during the ongoing cost-of-living challenges."

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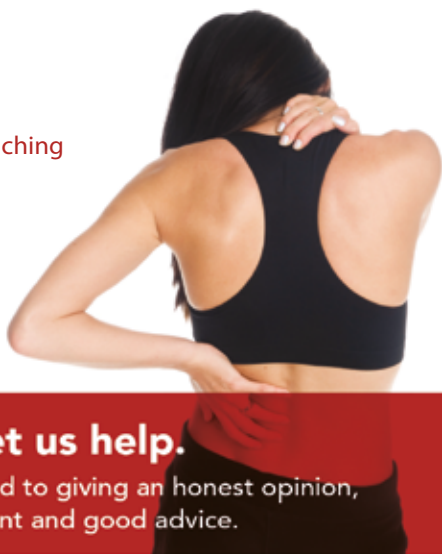
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Exciting launch of the 3rd Cambourne Guides!

We are thrilled to announce the launch of a brand-new Guide group right here in Cambourne - the 3rd Cambourne Guides!

Starting this term, we'll be meeting on Monday evenings in term-time from 6:30–8:00pm at the Sports Pavilion (The Dugout). Our fantastic leader team - Sarah (Unit Leader), along with Angela and Claire - have been busy putting together a fun-filled and inspiring programme for the weeks ahead.

This term's activities promise to be packed with creativity, adventure, and friendship. Some of the highlights include:

- A dance workshop led by a professional instructor
- Themed evenings for National Baking Week and World Kindness Day

- Lots of festive Christmas crafts and celebrations to round off the term.

Our Unit Meeting Activities (UMAs) are designed to help girls learn new skills, build confidence, and most importantly, have fun together as part of the Girlguiding community.

If your daughter is aged 10 or above and would like to be part of the adventure, we'd love to hear from you! There are still places available, so don't miss out on the chance to get involved.

For more information or to express interest, please contact us at: 3rdcambourneguides@gmail.com

We can't wait to welcome new Guides to our growing Girlguiding family in Cambourne!

Protecting homes, supporting drivers and recruiting local heroes



Stay fire safe in your kitchen

More than half the fires crews attend in the home start in the kitchen. This can be down to a number of things. Below are some simple safety tips to help you stay fire safe in the kitchen:

- Avoid leaving children in the kitchen alone when cooking on the hob. Keep matches and saucepan handles out of their reach to keep them safe.
- Take care if you're wearing loose clothing – this can easily catch fire.
- Keep tea towels and cloths away from the cooker and hob.
- Double check the cooker is off when you've finished cooking.
- Don't store items on top of hobs.
- Take care if you need to leave the kitchen whilst cooking, take pans off the heat or turn them down to avoid risk.
- Make sure saucepan handles don't stick out – so they don't get knocked off.
- Keep electrics (leads and appliances) away from water.
- Check toasters are clean and placed away from curtains and kitchen rolls.
- Keep the oven, hob and grill clean and in good working order. A build-up of fat and grease can ignite a fire.

Older Driver Workshops

We are hosting a series of Older Driver Workshops throughout October and November. These are free sessions for those over 65 and currently driving, to help them keep driving safely for longer.

We discuss how driving can become more challenging as we get older and what simple checks we can do at home to keep ourselves fit to drive.

This interactive, two-hour session covers the following topics:

- Age-related changes when driving.
- Eyesight and driving.
- Conducting a vehicle check.
- License renewal
- Signs to be aware of
- Alternatives to driving.

Visit bit.ly/4n4hBoG to find out more and book your place.

Help your local community – become an on-call firefighter!

Cambridgeshire Fire and Rescue Service is looking to recruit more on-call firefighters to help local communities by responding to emergencies.

On-call firefighters are a vital part of your fire and rescue service. They respond to a wide range of incidents,



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from fighting fires and attending road traffic collisions to rescuing people and animals in need. They also respond to medical emergencies.

In addition to responding to emergency incidents, on-call firefighters support their communities by providing a range of safety advice helping people to keep safe in their homes.

Being an on-call firefighter has many benefits. As well as being paid an annual wage and for the time spent at incidents or training, there are also opportunities to develop first aid skills and heavy good vehicle driving qualifications.

Find out more about becoming an on-call firefighter by visiting our website: bit.ly/CFRSONcall

For more information log on to www.cambsfire.gov.uk, follow us on social media or call 01480 444500.

Cambourne scarecrow competition lights up the town

Scarecrows popped up all over Cambourne on 13th September as part of a Light Up Cambourne competition. Independent judges Cllrs

John and Fran Panrucker were appointed, and choosing between the entries, all of which were a very high standard was no easy task! Cambourne is clearly home to some very talented people whose ideas and ability to craft something was just outstanding.

John and Fran said: "The entrants were all amazing – inventive, amusing,



imaginative and fun. Some were based on well-known characters such as Woody from *Toy Story* while others were real life characters, such as a vicar, drinking a cup of tea and yet another that was simply but very effectively made from dried grasses! Well done to all those who took part, we wish we could have chosen you all!"



In the end the 1st, 2nd and 3rd places were agreed upon with each receiving a rosette and their winnings later that evening.

A huge thank you to all those who took part in Cambourne's first ever scarecrow competition, it was a great success and is definitely something we will be doing again next year.



LUC update:

After the disappointment of the Cambourne Town Fete being cancelled we are grateful to the Monkfield Arms for giving us space at their Family Fun Day at short notice, which was a great success. Thanks to Kirsty, Kerry, Eamonn, Finton and David who ran the stall, and all those who purchased something from us to raise valuable funds for LUC.

Items donated to us originally destined for a tombola stall at the town fete have been used at a similar stall outside Morrisons supermarket. In addition, we are attending the South Cambs Christmas Fair in December. Please keep donating items suitable for a tombola stall, we are looking for new/very good condition items, either contact us via our Facebook page, email lightupcambourne@gmail.com or drop them into the council offices for us to pick up.

Tickets for our Pottery and Sip Evening on 1st November are selling well at £15 each, please act quickly to avoid being disappointed. We will also be holding another of our popular bingo events on 15th November, this will be our last fundraising evening of the year – but we have already booked

the Bourne players for another of their excellent Who Dunit evenings in February! For tickets to any of our events please email lightupcambourne@gmail.com or contact us via Facebook.

As always, we thank all those who continue to support us; we are looking forward to seeing the results of your generosity in early December when the lights go on, with the addition of the ones we have purchased for your enjoyment this year.

Lastly, two members of the LUC committee have recently stood down, Jaquie Taylor and Andrea Sisneros. Jaquie was there at the beginning in 2013 and Andrea has also been a part of the LUC committee team for several years, but is now moving away from Cambourne. All of us at LUC would like to thank them both for their input, help and support in the running of LUC over the years. We hope you both enjoy your retirement from LUC!!



Climate action conference to unite South Cambs communities for a greener future

Creating a greener district for South Cambridgeshire residents is on the agenda at a climate conference celebrating net zero action locally.

The District Council is holding its third Local Climate Action Conference, open to everyone, on Friday 17 October from noon to 5pm at Storey's Field Centre in Eddington Road.

Refreshments and a plant-based lunch will be provided, and cycle parking is onsite with buses nearby. Car parking is at Madingley Road Park & Ride. RSVP at tinyurl.com/57fjzuvt

Cllr Natalie Warren Green, Lead Cabinet Member for Environment, said: "We're proud to continue leading the way in tackling the climate and ecological emergencies, working towards a district that is not only environmentally friendly but resilient and future ready.

"The 2025 Climate Action Conference is a rallying call that reminds us that real change begins in our communities, when we come together with purpose and passion. By sharing bold ideas, practical solutions, and collective energy, we're showing what's possible when we unite. Every action we take, no matter the size, moves us closer to a cleaner, greener, and fairer world for generations to come."

Speakers at the event include Ian Walters talking about a biodiversity action plan for Duxford Parish and Josh Newman from Grantchester's HeatLink about the transition to renewable heating.

The Council's charity of the year, the Wildlife Trust Bedfordshire, Cambridgeshire, Northamptonshire, will talk about groundbreaking butterfly research with the University of Cambridge that's changing the way they manage their nature reserves.

Exhibitors include the RSPB, Cambridge Conservation Volunteers, Cambridgeshire Regenerative Trust and The Liberation Cycle.

In addition, a workshop will give attendees a chance to share thoughts on the seven themes of the Council's upcoming Climate and Nature Strategy for 2025-2030 which sets out an ambitious roadmap to halve emissions by 2030 and enhance biodiversity across the district. The public can comment on proposals in a public consultation that launches on October 1.

The 2025 event continues the success of the last two conferences attended by residents, councillors and climate action groups, who shared their ideas and vision for the future of a net zero district.

One of the District Council's core visions is to help the district become net zero by 2050. As part of this, it set up a Zero

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Carbon Communities grant scheme in 2019 and has given more than £750,000 to 96 projects locally, aimed at reducing carbon emissions and engaging communities on climate change such as tree planting, energy efficient heating and lighting and tackling food waste.

The full agenda of the conference with timings can be found at <https://tinyurl.com/39cbr8sh>

Foxton Scarecrow Festival

**Join the Foxton Scarecrow Festival
- Saturday 4 October, 12-6pm.**

Buy a programme on the day and find all the music-themed scarecrows around the village. Children's quiz and activities, raffle and games. Stop at various venues for refreshments (bacon butties, home-made soup or tea and cakes) and enjoy live music at the Barn, the Church and the

Village Hall. Vote for your favourite scarecrow! This fun event for all ages will finish with prize giving and the raffle draw.

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Beat the Street game offers month-long activity challenge

A popular interactive game that turns Cambourne into a giant activity competition has launched! The game is fun and free. See how far you can walk, cycle, run and scoot in just 4 weeks between 24 September and 22 October 2025. You can join the game at any point in these four weeks and win some amazing prizes!

The game is open to anyone of any age who would like to take part and have some fun. Children use a game card and a printed map which will be provided by participating primary schools. Players over the age of 13 can download the free Beat the Street app to play the game with their phone. Anyone can pick up a free game card and a printed map from one of the distribution points listed on the Beat the Street game website www.beatthestreet.me/Cambourne to register and play the game. The distribution points for picking up the game cards and printed maps are:

1. South Cambs DC offices
2. Cambourne Town Council offices
3. Monkfield Arms pub.

You play by creating your Beat the Street account on the Beat the Street website or by downloading the Beat the Street App. You can add family members, and register a card to player profiles. Set up a team or join an existing one. You then start your journey - Find your nearest Beat Box using our paper

or digital map and hover your card at the contactless Beat Box until it beeps and flashes. If playing with the app, tap the Beat Box icon on your phone and swipe to collect points. You score 10 points for each extra Box you visit.

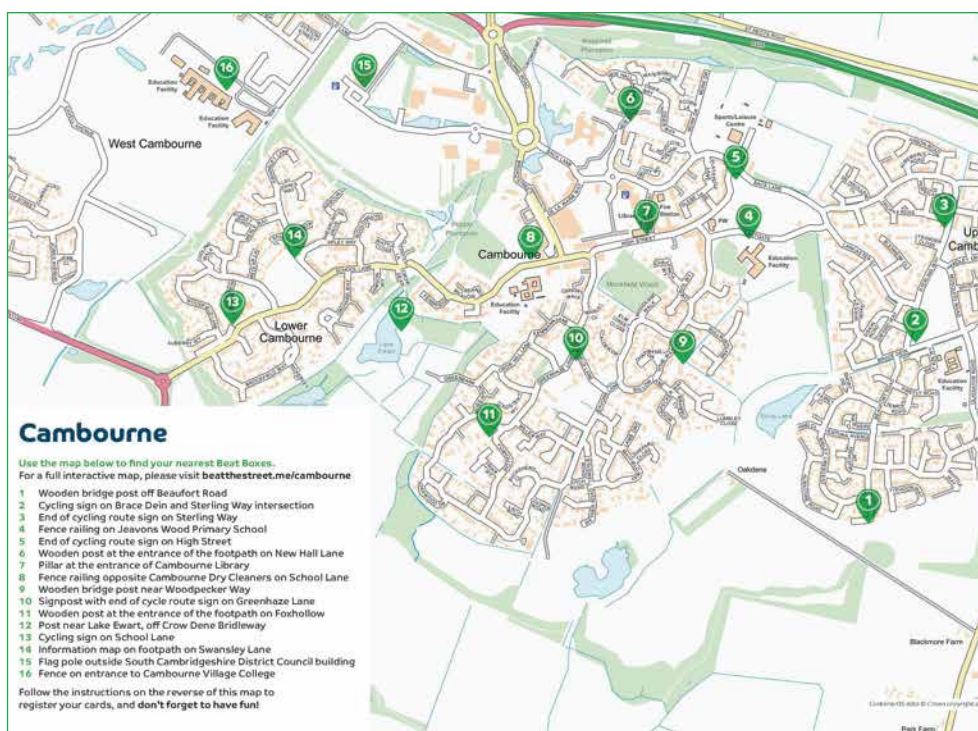
Players can join a school, community, workplace team and there are prizes for the teams that travel the furthest with vouchers for books and sports equipment on offer. With an individual leaderboard, lucky 'tap' prizes just for taking part, and the opportunity to prizes, there's something for everyone. For

schools and community teams, there is a total points leaderboard and an average leaderboard, so opportunities for teams of all sizes to win prizes.

Once the game is underway, players find their nearest "Beat Box" which will appear on posts around the town. There will be 16 of these sensors that record each players' point tally. These sensors are contactless so that you don't need to touch them - simply hover your card over the Beat Box and it will beep and flash to record your points.

Visit two Beat Boxes within an hour and collect 10 points for each Beat Box, then keep going!

More information will be available at www.beatthestreet.me/Cambourne and on social media at @beat_the_street



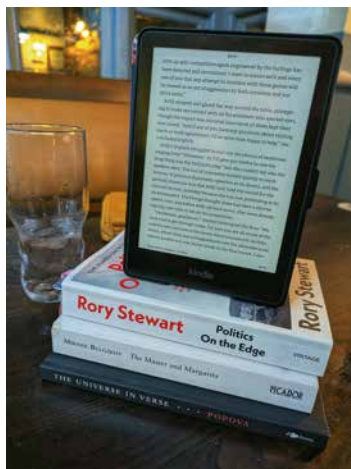
Another lovely meeting of the Silent Book Club

We had a great September meeting of the Silent Book Club at the Monkfield Arms on 2nd September. The summer might be over, but we're gearing up for an Autumn of cosy reading as the nights draw in.

The aim of the silent book club, which was started in 2012 in San Francisco, is to bring together people who love reading but who would rather read their own choices than a selected book, like in traditional book clubs.

With this book club, there's no scramble to finish the book in time, no pressure to think of something interesting to say. With no assigned reading, you simply bring along what you want to read - books, kindle, audiobooks, magazines. Whatever you enjoy.

We meet on the first Tuesday of the month at the Monkfield Arms at 7.30pm. We chat about books and reading for half an hour and then settle in for an hour's uninterrupted reading. Our next meeting is on Tuesday 7th October. Hope to see you there!



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Cambourne surgeon runs Angkor marathon to support Cambodia hospital

Daniel, an orthopaedic surgeon who has been a resident of Cambourne since 2008, recently ran the Angkor Marathon, in Cambodia.

Daniel ran in support of the Angkor Hospital where, over the last 24 years, he had the privilege of volunteering with their orthopaedic team eight times and every visit reminds him of just how vital their work is.

Daniel ran his 148th marathon - 42.2km / 26.2miles - in the humidity of Siem Reap, through her beautiful rice fields and crisscrossed the city roads with all fellow runners who gathered at the start line at 4:30am!

Daniel says he ran not just for the finish line, but for the local patients in Cambodia who fight much harder battles every day.

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Meet the 2025 Tennis Club Champions

After a summer full of exciting group and elimination matches, the grand finals of the Tennis Club Championships took place on 14th September. The tournament had an incredible turnout, with many entrants in both singles and doubles.

This year Toby Jackson successfully defended his men's singles title, against the runner-up Arif Kibria. In the women's game Sally Zhang claimed the title, with Virginia Rodriguez the runner-up. Toby and Arif secured the top spot in the men's doubles, over Benjamin Jarvis and Chris Pepper Brook the runners-up. The mixed Doubles title went to Virginia Rodriguez and Jorge de la Rosa de Saa, who beat Tammy Wong and Benjamin Jarvis. The women's doubles had to be rescheduled to a later date due to worsening weather conditions.



The Junior Championships also had a great turnout, and we congratulate Charlie Forbes for claiming the 9U title and George Gates for winning the 10U final. In the 11-18 doubles final, Rishabh Das and Patrick Whitehorn (last year's runners-up) claimed the title. Finally, Rishabh Das is also our new 11-18 singles club champion.

We extend our gratitude to all the participants, main organisers Ben Jarvis and Toby Jackson, and all other volunteers, for making this year's tournament successful. For more information about the club and how to join, visit: www.cambournetennis.co.uk



Cam Super Giants Crowned CPL Champions

The Cambourne Premier League (CPL) Cricket Tournament marked its fifth edition this summer with the biggest and most exciting season yet. Organised entirely by volunteers from the Cambourne community, CPL has been a cornerstone event in Cambourne since its inception, fostering community spirit, encouraging healthy activity, and bringing neighbours together through a shared love of cricket.

Six spirited teams - Cam Gladiators, Cam Knight Riders, Cam Royal Challengers, Cam Super Giants, Cam Super Kings, and Cam Warriors - fought for the coveted CPL 2025 trophy.

After weeks of intense matches, it all came down to a nail-biting final at the Lower Cambourne Cricket Ground, where Cam Super Giants triumphed over Cam Super Kings to lift the championship trophy. Spectators were treated to an afternoon of electrifying cricket, full of skill, passion, music, and unforgettable moments.

CPL has always been about more than just cricket. Each year, a significant portion of the funds raised during the tournament are donated towards charitable causes, both locally and globally. This year, proceeds were donated to the Cambourne Youth Partnership Program, a grassroots organisation that works tirelessly to support young people from all cultures and



backgrounds in Cambourne, as well as to Maher Ashram, an initiative in India dedicated to providing shelter and support to women and children in need. The success of CPL 2025 would not have been possible without the generous support of Cambourne Town Council and Cambourne Cricket Club.

As we look forward to next year's tournament, one thing is clear - CPL is more than just a cricket competition; it's a summer tradition that unites the Cambourne community.

Cambourne Active Travel Survey



What is active travel?

Active travel refers to walking, wheeling and cycling including the use of mobility aids such as wheelchairs, pushchairs, scooters and adapted cycles. It supports the aims of our Active Travel Strategy to enable and encourage a shift away from journeys made by private car.

What are we doing?

Cambridgeshire County Council are carrying out this survey to gather views from local residents on active travel in Cambourne.

We would like to understand how you currently travel, where you would like to go and if there are any issues stopping you from actively travelling, particularly relating to missing links or safety.

Other ways to complete the survey

If you prefer a paper copy, you can collect one and return your completed survey at Sackville House Sackville Way, Cambourne, Cambridge CB23 6HL.

An easy read version of the survey is available upon request by emailing the below email address.

For any queries relating to the survey please email activetravel@cambridgeshire.gov.uk.

If you're interested in active travel, please visit our website at www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/active-travel.



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Alternatively, complete the survey here:
yourvoice.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/place-and-sustainability/cambourne-active-travel

What could we look at?

Routes such as bridleways and footpaths leaving Cambourne, and footways through the centre of the Cambourne could be improved. Improvements could include resurfacing, barrier removal, signalled crossings, zebra crossings, path widening, dropped kerbs and additional signage.

We would like to hear any ideas you have to improve routes within and connecting to Cambourne, including connecting to the proposed railway station.

What's next?

This survey will form the evidence base for local support for active travel improvements in and around Cambourne and will help us prioritise schemes to then seek funding for delivery.



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