



## Teversham Road proposed development of 110 dwellings

An appeal has been lodged by the applicant's agents, Castlefield International Ltd. This means that the case will now be considered and a decision made by the Secretary of State at an Appeal hearing. South Cambs District Council will be defending their decision for refusal and Fulbourn Parish Council will be writing to reiterate their reasons for recommending refusal and endorsing SCDC's decision. It is unlikely that the appeal will be heard until later this year.

## City Deal Cross City Cycling Projects - Fulbourn/Cherry Hinton Eastern Access

The growth of housing and employment sites in Cherry Hinton and Fulbourn Road area puts further pressure on local roads. Improving the cycleway on Fulbourn Road will enhance cycle access to the City Centre and contribute to the completion of the cycleway network in this part of south east Cambridge. FPC would like to see the cycleway improvements extended past the roundabout through to Fulbourn, including some in-pavement lighting along the route from Yarrow Road to Fulbourn.

A Separate County Council project to refurbish the Robin Hood junction will start in 2016. This scheme links with a separate County Council project which will refurbish Robin Hood junction. This project will replace ageing equipment, improve pedestrian & cycling facilities and safety for right turning vehicles on Fulbourn Road and Cherry Hinton Road. This project will particularly benefit the residents of the Beechwoods.

### HAVE YOUR SAY

Complete the survey online at [www.gccitydeal.co.uk/Cross-City-Cycling](http://www.gccitydeal.co.uk/Cross-City-Cycling)

By Monday 15 February 2016



**STOP PRESS** – Fulbourn Co-op will be closing at 4.00pm on 31 January 2016 and re-opening on 24 February. The Co-op will be operating a 'pop up' shop from the car park of the Six Bells for essentials

such as milk, bread and papers. The shopper bus will take parishioners to Wilbraham Post Office for post office services.

## South Cambridgeshire Local Plan – Proposed Modifications

SCDC has now completed all the extra modifications to the Local Plan requested by the Inspector. A public consultation on the proposed modifications was held between 2 December 2015 – 25 January 2016 and a number of public exhibitions were set up to give people a chance to view the modifications and make their comments. For Fulbourn it is proposed to amend the Plan to reduce the extension of the Peterhouse Technology Park into the Green Belt following a review of the Inner Green Belt.

FPC believes the changes are balanced in terms of housing, employment and protecting the green belt and that Fulbourn does very well as the green belt surrounding the village is protected and not earmarked for further development to meet SCDC’s housing needs.

### Government announcement about affordable homes

The government made an announcement on 4 January 2016 which mentioned Northstowe in Cambridgeshire as being part of a pilot scheme alongside four other sites where the government will directly commission small and up-and-coming companies to build thousands of new homes on publically owned land. Up to 40% of these homes will be affordable ‘starter’ homes. The government also announced a £1.2bn starter home fund to prepare brownfield sites for new homes in the next 5 years.

### Street lights switch off update

Cambs County Councillors agreed at a meeting to find the extra monies to keep the County’s street lights on until 2.00am which will leave a 4 hour period when the street lights are off before being switched on again at 6.00am. A final decision will be made when the County Council agrees its budget in February.

Taking into account concerns raised by parishioners, Fulbourn Parish Council is currently looking into the feasibility and cost implications of the annual cost of keeping the street lights in Fulbourn switched on all night.



### Xmas lights

On 6 December 2015 Fulbourn’s Christmas lights were turned while children from Fulbourn Primary School sang carols and Father Christmas arrived with gifts. Everyone then went over to the School playground where mince pies and mulled wine was served and hot sausage and rolls were available. It was a happy and community spirited occasion so thanks to all those involved in making it memorable. Let’s do it all again this year!

### Planning advice

Parishioners wanting planning advice now need to telephone SCDC and make an appointment

### Road Sweeping

Fortnightly road sweeping returns to Fulbourn High Street

### Boundary review

The reduction in the number of SCDC District Councillors from 57 to 45 has been accepted although this will require an extensive review. There is still ongoing discussion on how Fulbourn will be served by District Councillors. Where possible areas will go down to one District Councillor, however as Fulbourn has a large population, this would leave Fulbourn around 20% over in terms of councillor population ratio. It is for this reason that Fulbourn may have to be merged with one or more of the surrounding villages such as Teversham or Wilbraham leading to 2-3 district councillors representing the parishes.

### WISER Electrical collections

No further dates have been arranged by WISER for collections in Fulbourn due to the price of scrap metal falling drastically making the collection of scrap currently unviable for them.

**The PC wishes to thank the very kind gentleman who is going round the village tidying up verges etc. in his own time. You have been noticed although we don't know your name to thank you personally!**

**Local Schools** - money has been earmarked in the Cambs County Council capital budget for increasing the number of places at our local schools to meet increasing population trends. Nearly £5 million has been set aside to develop Fulbourn Primary School into a two form entry school of 420 pupils, £4 million has been earmarked to expand Bottisham Village College into a 10 form entry school and £35 million has been provided for a new secondary school to serve east Cambridge.

### **Housing**

A site north of Cherry Hinton is being looked at which will hold 1200 houses. 460 of these will come under SCDC and the rest under the City Council.

### **New Schools**

A primary school and a secondary school will be built on this land to the east of Cherry Hinton. These proposals will go out to consultation as there are many infrastructure, utility and other issues to be debated and determined.



## **SKATE PARK**

**Fulbourn  
Recreation Ground  
Skate Park was  
officially re-opened  
on Saturday 6  
December 2015 at  
11.30am**

Tish Newman, Clerk, Cllr Graham Cone, Cllr Gill Ward and Cllr Derek Thorn

### **Housing Survey**

Representatives from Accent, Hill Residential Housing and Cambs Acre gave a presentation at the January meeting of the Parish Council. Helen Fortune from Accent advised that Accent had been working with Cambridgeshire Acre regarding housing needs in Fulbourn and a survey directed at the need for affordable housing was commissioned in December in agreement with Fulbourn Parish Council. 2193 surveys were delivered in Fulbourn generating 401 responses. A report of the survey results is still being compiled but initial results show that 73% support affordable housing in principle, 22% said no and 3% did not answer. Accent is now working with Hill Residential Housing and has identified a plot of land near the Balsham Road lay-by as a potential exception site. They jointly wished to bring a scheme forward that addressed local needs and were looking to build 30 houses consisting of affordable, rental and open market. They will attend a future Parish Council meeting, possibly the April meeting, to give a further report.



## Speed watch

The Parish Council is waiting for a start date from the Police speed watch co-ordinator

## FULBOURN COMMUNITY CAR SCHEME

To use this service please contact Mr Bev Savage on 07542 194 033

Would you like to join the team of volunteer co-ordinators and drivers?

If you can help, even if only occasionally, please call: Mr Bev Savage, Car Scheme Coordinator 07542 194 033



## ZEBRA CROSSING

An application for a zebra crossing on Cambridge Road has been completed and submitted to the Cambs County Council Highways funding project. Cllr Cone will be presenting Fulbourn's case and the PC should hear by the end of February whether it has been successful.

## DEFIBRILATOR

Fulbourn PC has been successful in its bid to the British Heart Foundation for a defibrillator. The new defibrillator will be sited outside the Co-op in the High Street near the Parish Council noticeboard. FPC will set up training sessions on how to use the defibrillator once it is sited and details and dates will be publicised on the noticeboards and on the web site.

Following requests, a litter bin has been ordered for the bus stop shelter in Cambridge Road

### Dates for your Diary

7 Feb	Nature Reserve working party
10 Feb	Parish Council meeting
20 Feb	Story time in the library
5 Mar	Library book sale and coffee morning
6 Mar	Nature Reserve working party
9 Mar	Parish Council meeting
11 Mar	Fulbourn Cinema – ‘Sunset Boulevard’
12 Mar	Community Market
19 Mar	Story time in the library
2 Apr	Library book sale and coffee morning
10 Apr	Litter Pick
13 Apr	Parish Council meeting
27 Apr	Annual Parish Meeting

### PARISH COUNCILLORS

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Dawne Brown	573495
Alan Bullen	880729
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Julian Mair	572181
Robin Newell	880129
John Rickett	700065
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Jacky Sitton	880130
Dave Smith	881334
Gill Ward	881757
<b>Parish Clerk</b>	
Tish Newman	881042
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**Bookings for the Swifts and news items for the Village Web site – publicise your event - Contact Cllr**

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