

Clerk report to Croxton Parish Council meeting on Thursday 20 August 2026

6. Planning

6.1 Planning applications received – to be considered

* NB Some planning applications may not be specifically listed on this agenda but may still be considered by the Parish Council due to the time constraints of making a recommendation to the District Council.

The planning portal for new applications can now be found at <https://applications.greatercambridgeplanning.org/>

The Parish Council's may choose its own wording to show whether it agrees with an application or not and can now both support/approve or object/ refuse etc parts of the same application

The Parish Council should include material planning reasons why the Council take this stance via its comments.

The Parish Council *does/does not** request that the application be referred to the District Council Planning Committee *(please delete)

Material planning reasons:

6.1.1 26/02858/LBC – 28 High Street – Replace windows and doors

6.2 SCDC Decision notices, appeals notices, enforcement notices and planning correspondence for information only

None.

7. Correspondence

7.1 St Neots Museum – request for donation

"I write to introduce myself as the Community Officer for St Neots Museum and to request a donation to the museum for 2026.

A donation this year will ensure we are able to protect and maintain the correct environmental conditions (both temperature and humidity) for our collection and to be able to invest in our displays, including interactive features and maintain access to all parts of the museum.

We hope you will be able to support the museum to:

i) collect and suitably store images, items and information from your parish and present these artefacts to both local and general visitors to the area.

ii) continue to develop and extend the range of activities, workshops and exhibitions that the museum is able to provide, that would interest everyone in our community. Details of our services and events can be found in the following link: <https://www.stneotsmuseum.org.uk>

iii) continue our policy of providing FREE access to the museum for all in your parish.

Our ambition is to better represent our rural communities and your suggestions as to how we can achieve that and what you'd like from the museum would be very welcome. Please also let me know how we may improve communications between the museum and your parish so that your residents feel better served by us.

We are dedicated to preserving and celebrating our cultural heritage. Our purpose is to provide visitors of all ages with the opportunity to explore and appreciate the diverse history and personal stories that have shaped St Neots and its surrounding parishes.

If you are able to provide St Neots Museum with a donation and would like to do so by

BACS, the details are: [REDACTED]

Otherwise, cheques can be made payable to: St Neots Museum (8 New Street, St Neots, PE19 1AE)

We are holding a **Living History Festival** in September (date tbc) and wondered if you would like to be involved in some way, for example having a stall?

Thank you for your support and we look forward to welcoming you all to St Neots Museum!
Sam Gilliam
Community Officer

7.2 SCDC – Proposed submission Greater Cambridge Local Plan final consultation (deadline 25 September)

“Please see the below news release regarding the launch of the final consultation on the Proposed Submission Greater Cambridge Local Plan consultation. The consultation is the last opportunity for communities to comment on the Plan before it is submitted to Government and examined by an independent Planning Inspector.

Overview

- The eight-week consultation on the Proposed Greater Cambridge Local Plan opens today (Monday 3 August 2026) and runs until **5pm on Friday 25 September 2026**.
- Unlike earlier consultations, this final stage is more narrowly focused on whether the Plan is "sound" and meets national planning requirements. Responses will therefore need to focus on whether the Plan is justified by the evidence, effective in achieving its objectives, deliverable and consistent with national planning policy.

How to Take Part

- Visit our website: www.greatercambridgeplanning.org/local-plan
- Paper copies of the Local Plan are available at the councils' offices in Cambridge and Cambourne and at Cambridge Central and Cambourne libraries.
- A programme of in-person and online events will run during the consultation, starting with an online webinar on Tuesday (4 August) at 5:30pm which [you can register to attend now](#).

Action for Councillors

- Please help raise awareness of the consultation in your communities.
- Encourage residents, businesses, and local groups to take part and share their views.

News release

This is a joint release on behalf of Cambridge City Council and South Cambridgeshire District Council, which share the Greater Cambridge Shared Planning Service.

Monday 3 August 2026

Final chance to share views on Greater Cambridge Local Plan

Residents, businesses and organisations are being urged to share their views on the "soundness" of the Greater Cambridge Local Plan – during the final round of consultation which opens today.

The consultation is the last opportunity for communities to comment on the Plan – which at this stage is called the Proposed Submission version - and its evidence base. After

this stage, the Plan will be submitted to Government and examined by an independent Planning Inspector.

The Greater Cambridge Local Plan will help determine how Cambridge and South Cambridgeshire grow over the next 20 years, influencing where new homes, jobs and community facilities are located, how development supports climate goals, and how infrastructure keeps pace with growth.

Current forecasts indicate that around 50,000 new homes will be needed between 2024 and 2045. Around 37,000 of these homes are already planned through existing permissions and allocations, but future growth must be carefully managed to ensure communities have the transport links, services, green spaces and utilities they need.

The Plan has been developed jointly by Cambridge City Council and South Cambridgeshire District Council - shaped by years of public engagement. Over 8,400 comments submitted during the most recent consultation prompted further work by officers and helped refine the policies and proposals across the Plan. As a result, a number of changes from the previous plan published late last year have been made in the version now being consulted upon.

The updated Plan also reflects the ongoing work to address some of Greater Cambridge's most significant challenges, including housing demand, water supply constraints, transport infrastructure and future employment needs.

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Get involved

Lots of engagement events will take place during the consultation, giving people the opportunity to find out more and ask questions. The first of these is an online webinar on Tuesday (4 August) at 5:30pm and [you can register to attend now](#). There will also be a series of 14 in-person exhibitions held across Cambridge and South Cambridgeshire.

To view the Plan, submit comments and find details of the events, visit www.greatercambridgeplanning.org/local-plan

Paper copies of the Local Plan are available at the councils' offices in Cambridge and Cambourne and at Cambridge Central and Cambourne libraries.

Cambridge City Council's Leader and Cabinet Member for Strategy, Planning and External Partnerships, Cllr Katie Thornburrow, said: "Greater Cambridge faces significant challenges, from meeting housing needs and supporting a growing economy to tackling climate change and ensuring the right infrastructure is in place. This Plan sets out a long-term vision for sustainable growth that balances new homes and jobs with the services, transport connections and green spaces communities need. The Plan will also provide the starting point for decision making on planning applications by the Council and the Government's newly established Greater Cambridge Development Corporation. We therefore encourage everyone to have their say in this final consultation."

Ends

The following events will be held by Greater Cambridge Shared Planning to help local people get involved with the consultation. Your support in raising awareness of these events would be hugely appreciated.

Day	Date	Time	Event description	Registration link
Tuesday	4 August	5:30pm-6:30pm	Online webinar	Register to attend here
Monday	17 August	4pm-7:30pm	Cathodeon Centre, Horseheath Rd, Linton, CB21 4LU	Register to attend here
Tuesday	1 September	2pm-4pm	Arbury Community Centre, Campkin Rd, Cambridge, CB4 2LD	Register to attend here
Tuesday	1 September	4pm-7:30pm	Whittlesford Memorial Hall, Mill Ln, Whittlesford, CB22 4NE	Register to attend here
Wednesday	2 September	4pm-7pm	Marleigh Community Centre, The Hangar Building, 2 Jubilee Square, Cambridge, CB5 8BX	Register to attend here
Wednesday	2 September	4pm-7:30pm	Papworth Village Hall, Ermine St South, Papworth Everard, CB23 3RD	Register to attend here
Thursday	3 September	2pm-4pm	Gamlingay EcoHub, Stocks Lane, Gamlingay, SG19 3JR	Register to attend here
Thursday	3 September	4pm-7.30pm	Great Abington Primary School, 68 High Street, Great Abington, CB21 6AE	Register to attend here
Friday	4 September	4pm-7.30pm	The Old School Hall, St Barnabas Centre, Mill Rd, Cambridge, CB1 2BD	Register to attend here
Monday	7 September	4pm-7.30pm	Melbourn Hub, 30 High Street, Melbourn, SG8 6DZ	Register to attend here
Monday	7 September	3:30pm-6pm	Bar Hill Village Hall, The Spinney, Bar Hill, CB23 8SU	Register to attend here
Tuesday	8 September	4pm-7.30pm	The Salvation Army, 7 Station Road, Waterbeach, CB25 9HT	Register to attend here
Wednesday	9 September	4:15pm-7pm	Nightingale Pavilion, Nightingale Ave, Cambridge, CB1 8SQ	Register to attend here
Wednesday	9 September	4pm-7pm	Great Cambourne Cricket Pavilion, Back Lane, Great Cambourne, CB23 6DZ	Register to attend here
Friday	11 September	10am-5pm	The Cambridge Room, Grafton Centre, Fitzroy Street, Cambridge, CB1 1PS	Register to attend here

Cllr Henry Batchelor, South Cambridgeshire District Council's Lead Cabinet Member for Planning, : "The Greater Cambridge Local Plan will shape how our communities grow and thrive for decades to come, which is why it is so important that people take part in this final consultation. Thousands of residents, businesses and organisations have already helped us develop and then refine the Plan. Now, at this stage of the process, we are asking people to comment on the soundness of the Plan. This is a technical term

which asks whether you think the Plan has been positively prepared, and if it is justified, effective and consistent with national policy. This will be the last opportunity to share your views before the Plan is submitted for independent examination."

The consultation closes on Friday 25 September 2026.

Greater Cambridge Shared Planning is a partnership between South Cambridgeshire District and Cambridge City Councils.

For further information contact:

- Communications Support Officer – Greater Cambridge Shared Planning Lauryn Snow on laurn.snow@greatercambridgeplanning.org or
- The South Cambridgeshire District Council's Communications Team on communications@scambs.gov.uk or 01954 713 025 or
- The Cambridge City Council Communications Team, email: communications@cambridge.gov.uk or tel: 01223 457290.
- Or the political contacts below:

South Cambridgeshire District Council:

Cllr Henry Batchelor (Liberal Democrat), Lead Cabinet Member for Planning on 07973 549541 or Cllr.Batchelor@Scambs.gov.uk

Cllr Heather Williams (Conservative) on 07885 774775 or Cllr.WilliamsH@Scambs.gov.uk

Cambridge City Council:

Cllr Katie Thornburrow (Labour), Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Strategy, Planning and External Partnerships, email:

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Cllr Kathryn Fisher (Green), kathryn.fisher@cambridge.gov.uk or 07562 578721

Cllr Katie Porrer (Liberal Democrat), email katie.porrer@cambridge.gov.uk or 07971 012797

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7.3 CCC – Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Minerals & Waste Local Plan review – Scoping consultation and Call for Sites (deadline 12 October)

“Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Minerals and Waste Local Plan Review - Scoping Consultation & Call for Sites – Have Your Say

Cambridgeshire County Council and Peterborough City Council are working jointly to prepare a new Minerals and Waste Local Plan for Cambridgeshire and Peterborough to replace the current Plan which was adopted in July 2021 and would like to hear your views on what a new Minerals and Waste Plan should contain and how we should engage you as we prepare the Plan.

The current Minerals and Waste Local Plan was adopted by the Councils in July 2021, and it sits alongside the Local Plans prepared by the city and district councils in Cambridgeshire and Peterborough. Together, the policies in these plans, and other supporting documents such as masterplans and design guides, are used by the relevant planning authorities to make planning decisions, guiding where future developments should be located.

A Scoping Consultation document and Draft Engagement Strategy have been published on our website, and we would welcome your comments during the consultation period below.

A Call for Sites is being run alongside the Scoping Consultation, and operators and developers are encouraged to submit potential future minerals and waste sites for consideration for inclusion within the new Plan. Comments are also invited on the Proposed Site Assessment & Selection Methodology and the Cross Border Issues Paper.

The public consultation runs from Monday 3 August 2026 to Monday 12 October 2026.

To view the consultation documents and make your comments, please see our website at:
www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/mwlp-review

Yours faithfully,

County Planning, Minerals and Waste Team
Cambridgeshire County Council

Planning Policy Team
Peterborough City Council