

South Cambridgeshire District Council – Harston & Comberton Ward

Report to Barton Parish Council November 2021

Consultation on the draft proposals for the local plan

The consultation went live at the beginning of November and runs until 5pm on 13th December.

There's lots of information in the consultation documentation, but we hope it has been laid out in a way that is easy to navigate. It can be accessed here:

<https://consultations.greatercambridgeplanning.org/greater-cambridge-local-plan-first-proposals>

As previously shared, there are no new development site allocations within our ward, but we would encourage all parishes and residents to look at and comment on the plans. There are also areas of "Green Infrastructure" identified in the ward that residents may be keen to see expanded!

Making Connections Consultation

The Greater Cambridge Partnership (GCP) has launched a fresh consultation on proposals to radically enhance bus and active travel journeys and reduce congestion in and around the city. This has not been the first such consultation, but it's been two years since the GCP last asked these questions and it's fair to say the world has changed somewhat since then! So before proceeding to develop more plans for public transport, and a revenue stream to support it, the GCP is seeking up to date views:

<https://consultcambs.uk/engagementhq.com/making-connections-2021>

The consultation closes at midday on 20th December.

Local Transport and Connectivity Plan

The Cambridgeshire & Peterborough Combined Authority has another formal transport consultation in the pipeline for early next year, and at the moment is seeking views from residents in a less formal consultation as it develops a new local transport plan. You can find out more about the process and feedback here:

<https://yourltcp.co.uk/>

One new number for the District Council

From 10th November, the District Council Contact Centre moved to a single 'golden number' that people can call will call when they want to speak to Customer Contact Advisors on the phone. This single number, which is **01954 713 000**, replaces the existing suite of 03450 numbers. It will not cost anyone ringing any more money in call charges than the current 03450 number does, but will save the Council money (the council has been spending around £100,000 per year on having several different 03450 numbers).

Councillor steps down

Our ward colleague, Fiona Whelan, has announced her resignation from the council due to a change in personal circumstances. We'd like to thank Fiona for her work in the ward since her election earlier this year.

As the District Council has "all up" elections in May next year, there will be no by-election in the ward.

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