# **District and County Councillor's Report - June 2021**

## A1307 Update

The process of upgrading the road continues, as you may well have seen, the installation of average speed cameras between Linton and Cardinals Green has been completed and these are now working, so please do obey the speed limit!

The next schemes to be implemented will be the signalised crossing at Hildersham, the junction work at Dean Road and the roundabout installation at the Bartlow Road junction, Linton. The only scheme that hasn't been fully ratified yet is the Linton 'Greenway', a non-motorised user route, that runs from the new park & ride site on the other side of the A11 from Abington, all the way through to Linton. It's the route itself that still needs to be decided upon.

The local liaison forum meetings are still occurring, they are public so please do register to attend the forthcoming ones to have an input.

There is a meeting of the Joint Assembly on June 10<sup>th</sup> that will look at the schemes along the A1307, discuss, and then make recommendations to the Executive Board, who have the final sign off on any work. The main topics for discussion at this meeting will be mainly concerning the schemes from the A11 going west towards Cambridge, so not 'our' part specifically but an area that would still affect us. The papers for the meeting can be viewed here

-https://cambridgeshire.cmis.uk.com/CCC\_live/Document.ashx?

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#### **Covid**

With England due to come out of all lockdown restrictions this month, the support available from local authorities won't cease. If you know people that are still vulnerable, who could use more support, then please do get in touch with Henry and John, they will be able to signpost people to the various support channels available at both County and District councils.

Please do also encourage people that have been offered the vaccine to have it.

#### **Business Grants**

Now that the Covid related business grants will cease as we come out of all lockdown restrictions this month, the District Council is investigating ways to continue to financially support business regrowth in South Cambs. There will likely be a new pot of money to apply for from July onwards. More details to follow.

# **Local Cycling & Walking Infrastructure Plan**

The County Council are currently running a consultation on the creation of a local walking and cycling infrastructure plan for Cambridgeshire. They are looking for some initial feedback on the proposals before the close of the consultation on July 13<sup>th</sup>.

Please do feedback any thoughts for our local area that you may have as it could shape the future of walking and cycling in our part of the world.

https://consultcambs.uk.engagementhq.com/ccc-local-cycling-and-walking-infrastructure-plan-consultation-2021

### **East West Rail**

For those keeping an eye on the developments of the East West Rail project, you will have seen that there is currently an open public consultation on the various route options, once the railway reaches Cambridge. If you have any views, you can input un until June 9<sup>th</sup> - <a href="https://eastwestrail.co.uk/consultation">https://eastwestrail.co.uk/consultation</a>

## <u>Cambridgeshire County Council Pensions Scheme - new draft</u> Investment Strategy and consultation

Cllr Geoff Harvey (Balsham Ward) brought a motion to SCDC full Council recently:-

This Council

- Asks the Chief Executive to write to the Pension Fund Committee, Investment Sub

Committee and Local Pension Board jointly, to request how they, on behalf of SCDC

as an employer, intend to manage the effects of climate change as a financial risk to

their investments, including the issue of divestment, and how this will be reported.

This was timely, as the County Council have now issued draft 2021 Investment Strategy Statement and consultation. The draft strategy stops short of adopting a blanket divestment policy, but this may change as result of the consultation (for stakeholders only – not general public)

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