

## **Parish Liaison Meeting 30<sup>th</sup> November 2016 at South Cambridgeshire Hall, Cambourne**

### **Devolution**

Cllr Peter Topping who is Leader of the Council introduced himself and welcomed us to the meeting. He then went on to talk about Devolution and the fact that Cambridgeshire had signed up to devolution. Devolution is taking back power from government, appointing a mayor, increasing the amount funding for affordable housing. Housing that will be on existing sites within the Local Plan and built within the next two years to be assured of the £100m funding. In time there will be more devolution money for social care etc., it will be used to support growth and must be used within 5 years. South Cambs are confident that the planned 200K houses will be built within the time frame of 5 years.

### **Local Plan**

Cllr Robert Turner confirmed that the Local Plan examination and delivery will be high quality for both to-day and tomorrow. The hearing dates for Bourn and Waterbeach are 2017 these two sites will provide approximately 10,000 new homes. Concerning Bourn airfield site there has been a revision, which now provides a more extensive buffer for Caldecote. Cllr Robert Turner said the 5 year land supply is challenging but South Cambs intend to deliver 975 new homes per year which equates to 19500 homes in the period 2011 – 2031 (= 20years)

### **Bin Collections**

Cllr Mark Howell explained that South Cambs have become partners with Cambridge City concerning bin collections. There will be a revised timetable for bin collections as from 27<sup>th</sup> Feb 2017, details of collection days to be advised.

### **City Deal**

The first phase of the deal will be a cycle scheme Royston to Melbourn and numerous other cycle routes to be improved

The second phase will be the Cambridge traffic problems particularly at peak-times. There will be a seven point action plan, congestion charging, preventing lorries and cars from entering Cambridge at peak-times, charging for car parking at workplaces, free P & R, subsidized P & R fares.

Next phase, Madingley Road and an off road route via Coton into Cambridge.

Early in the New Year consideration will be given to:- Improvement on the 1307 Haverhill to Cambridge, A10 North of Cambridge for Waterbeach also the delivery of the Cambourne and Bourn Airfield bus way.

It is expected that 6000 new jobs will be generated at the Biomedical Campus where staggered start and finish times will be encouraged for all employees.

It is expected that the local plan will be adopted either late 2017 or early 2018.

Questions were asked about building in the green belt, if homes were located near to the work place this would of course reduce congestion on our roads. The answer was that at the moment development was being allowed in the green belt for the Biomedical Campus.

NB: - Transcribed minutes of this meeting (when available) will be circulated to all parishes by South Cambs.

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