



South Neighbourhood Panel Update

January 2014

East Cambridgeshire District Council – Action Updates:

Priority:

Priority - Resolving Waste Contract Issues	
Objective	
Action Taken	See individual responses below.
Current Situation	
Continue or Discharge?	

Other Issues:

No.	Issue	Action Taken
1	Why isn't the rubbish bin in Icknield Way, Ashley?	This bin should be emptied regularly, and this issues has been passed to Veolia to confirm this is being done and will monitor.
2	The dog bin needs moving in the recreation ground in Ashley. The Clerk has written three times but has had no answer from ECDC.	Passed to the Facilities Team on 7 th January 14. The works have been completed.
3	Dog Fouling on the field in Ashley is still a problem despite the Parish Council purchasing signs etc.	Regular patrols done by Enforcement Officer, any intelligence regarding those responsible that can be provided to Council appreciated.
4	Wheelie Bin issues in Burwell – Old School Close – been exempt from receiving the bins– why? Several areas not had black bags, some areas had too many bins delivered.	Bins not delivered to Old School Close due to lack of frontage/shared private drive. If residents would like bins they should contact council individually.
5	Who is responsible for emptying the litter bins in Dullingham as they are always full/overflowing? Please can they be emptied more frequently?	Bin emptying done by Veolia, passed to Veolia to confirm this is being done and will monitor.
6	Wheelie Bins in Kirtling– some properties still without them. Can this be resolved ASAP? Village Hall is one such property.	Any residents without bins should contact ECDC with individual property details and these will be delivered.

Litter bins in New Cheveley Road, Woodditton, not been emptied for over 4 weeks. It has been phoned in but it has been ignored by the contractor.	Bin emptying done by Veolia, passed to Veolia to confirm this is being done and will monitor.
Query from Woodditton Parish Council: Why does ECDC/Veolia refuse to take white goods?	ECDC does collect white goods at a cost of £20 per item. These goods have to be disposed of separately due to the gas contained within the appliance. Information is available on the Council website or call customer services on 01353 665555.

Current Issues and Information:

None

Fly Tipping Reports and Enforcement Actions 2013/14

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Parish/Village	Reported Fly Tips											Total	
	Apr	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.		March
Ashley	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			0
Bottisham	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0			1
Brinkley	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			0
Burwell	1	2	1	1	0	3	3	1	1	1			13
Burrough Green	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0			1
Cheveley	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0			2
Dullingham	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1			4
Kirtling	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1			2
Lode	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			0
Newmarket	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1			4
Reach	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0			2
Saxon Street	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			0
Six Mile Bottom	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			0
Stetchworth	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0			2
Swaffham Bulbeck	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0			2
Swaffham Prior	0	1	3	1	0	1	0	1	1	0			7

Fly Tipping Enforcement Actions 2012/13 (District)

	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Total
Investigation	27	16	33	32	42	31	31	28	20	37	42	41	380
Warning letter	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Statutory Notice	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fixed Penalty Notice	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Duty of Care Inspection	3	0	1	2	1	0	14	9	0	0	0	0	30
Stop & Search	7	1	1	0	0	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	18
Formal Caution	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Formal Caution With Costs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Prosecution	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Fly Tipping Enforcement Options

Investigation	Inspection of fly tip for evidence that could lead to enforcement action being taken, together with related enquiries. Used where formal enforcement action is not considered appropriate as a warning of the potential consequences of further infringements.
Warning letter	
Statutory Notice	A legal requirement to provide information that will assist with investigation of an offence.
Fixed Penalty Notice	Agreement to accept a standard penalty fee as an alternative to formal legal action.
Duty of Care Inspection	Check that a business has correct arrangements in place for the storage, transport and disposal of its waste.
Stop & Search	Check on vehicle carrying waste for waste carriers licence and waste disposal documentation.
Formal Caution	An offender having admitted an offence is formally cautioned by the Head of Service. A record is kept of the Caution for 5 years.
Formal Caution With Costs	As Formal Caution, but investigation and clear up costs are charged to the offender.
Prosecution	Formal prosecution through the Court System.

Dog Fouling Reports 2013-14

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Parish/Village	Fouling Reports												Total
	Apr	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	March	
Ashley	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			1
Bottisham	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			0
Brinkley	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			0
Burwell	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	1	1			6
Burrough Green	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			0
Cheveley	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			0
Dullingham	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			0
Kirtling	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			0
Lode	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			0
Newmarket	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0			1
Reach	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1			1
Stetchworth	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			1
Swaffham Bulbeck	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			0
Swaffham Prior	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			0
Westley Waterless	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			0
Woodditton	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			0
Month total	1	1	1	0	0	3	1	1	2	0	0	0	10

Total Dog Fouling Reports in East Cambridgeshire

	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Total
2013/14	10	8	8	6	5	9	9	18	13				
2012/13	7	7	7	4	5	12	9	8	18	16	11	17	124
2011/12	5	4	0	1	1	6	4	12	10	24	0	0	67
2010/11	4	7	7	8	4	5	9	8	13	19	21	12	117
2009/10	2	4	1	4	2	1	0	7	3	8	11	14	64

Cambridgeshire County Council – Action Updates:

Priorities: None Set

Other Issues:

Number	Issue	Action Taken
1	Outside the village college in Bottisham there are zig-zag lines warning people not to park there. Now a third entrance is frequently used that doesn't have the lines there. Can the County Council look at this and add additional lines?	Additional lining could be provided but the cost of the scheme would need to be met by third-party (i.e. not by the County Council) funding.
2	Traffic calming in Quy – can they look into reducing the speed limit as well? Would be of benefit to cyclists. 40mph seems too fast.	<p>The County Council's Highways Service has adopted a policy, as part of its approach to localism, whereby local communities are able to decide upon the setting of speed limits, provided that the community is willing to cover the costs involved. Costs include formal advertisement of the proposal to implement a speed limit order and the provision of road markings and signage.</p> <p>Under this policy, changes to speed limits can be promoted by local groups – such as residents' associations or Town/Parish Councils – which are prepared to fund the changes, willing to undertake public consultation and take ownership of the outcomes.</p> <p>Consultation, particularly within the local community is a key requirement to ensure that there is genuine support for any change, that the local community supports spending its own money on the change and to ensure that expectations regarding the outcomes are managed.</p> <p>All of the Town and Parish Councils within Cambridgeshire have been informed of this policy and a number of such councils have achieved reductions in speed limits as a result.</p> <p>It is often the case that change to a speed limit alone does not result in vehicles travelling more slowly.</p>
3	Transport Strategy for Cambridgeshire. Apparent lack of interest in infrastructure in the South of Cambridgeshire	The County Council has been working with the District Councils to prepare a Draft Long Term Countywide Transport Strategy setting out the infrastructure and measures needed to support growth and economic prosperity across the whole County into the future. This focuses upon improvements needed along key corridors such as A10, A1307 etc. A draft will be published for consultation in the spring, and the County Council very much welcome views and suggestions on this; it will include proposals for improvements and

	(appears to stop at Marshalls airport). Can they please take this area into account?	infrastructure requirements to help address key challenges on the network and facilitate growth.
4	Disappointment in the way that the Cambridge Community Archive Network is being dealt with. Apparent lack of consultation with the stakeholders that originally did lots of work. Frustration and disappointment.	<p>Following the County Council led and Heritage Lottery Fund funded project between 2006 and 2008, the CCAN network was handed over to its volunteer run groups, led by a Steering Committee.</p> <p>During 2012 it was decided to migrate the network from its old site to a new one provided by Community Sites. The old supplier was unable to provide a financially viable way for CCAN to continue.</p> <p>The decision to switch to Community Sites was proposed at CCAN's 2012 AGM and was supported by the CCAN members.</p> <p>Groups were invoiced towards the end of 2012 and requested to pay if they wished to be migrated to the new site (with the proviso that a training session would be needed for each group before they were made live on the new site).</p> <p>In early 2013, 32 groups were added to the new site following their payment and training sessions.</p> <p>Stetchworth did not pay at this stage, only expressing an interest in re-joining in June 2013. It was agreed that they could re-join in 2012 for a fee of £50, covering June - December.</p> <p>Unfortunately, it was not found to be cost effective to re-join Stetchworth to the site mid-year and, following a query from Judith Mahoney, Jack Latimer from Community Sites agreed with Judith Mahoney that Stetchworth would re-join and receive training in early 2014, when the renewal process will occur for all CCAN groups to cover 2014. The £50 paid in 2013 will be transferred into 2014, with only another £50 being due in early 2014 to cover next year.</p> <p>The County Council apologises for any misunderstanding caused through this process but hopes that now all is clear and that all members of the Stetchworth group will be happy to continue with their much appreciated support of the CCAN network in the future.</p> <p>Although we have lost hotspots for now (they were based on an outdated and idiosyncratic system), the data has all been stored safely and it is hoped that a similar system could be installed when funding allows.</p>

Current Issues:

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Sanctuary Housing – Action Updates:

Priorities: None set

Other Issues:

Number	Issue	Action Taken
1	Query from Ashley Parish Council about how often Sanctuary Housing inspects the properties that they own. If the Parish Council requests that a property is inspected they would like some feedback on this.	Sanctuary Housing do not currently have a set timescale for tenant visits. However, Housing Officers make many visits to properties throughout their working week. If a tenant requires a visit for what ever reason Housing Officers are always more than happy to make arrangements.
	Charging in the Community Room of the sheltered housing scheme appears to have changed – difficult to establish who are residents of the sheltered housing and who isn't (the trigger for the charge). Please can the hire policy be reviewed and clearly explained to users?	Natalie Osborne has raised this with the Sheltered Housing Team, there are no current plans for the policy to be reviewed. Generally, there is only a charge when the venue is used for private functions. Functions whereby everyone on the scheme is invited there is no charge. Full information is available from Scheme Managers on request.

Current issues:

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East Cambridgeshire Local Policing Team – Action Updates:

Priorities:

Priority - Serious Acquisitive Crime																													
Objective	To reduce the number of acquisitive crimes being committed in the area (Dwelling Burglary, Non-Dwelling Burglary & Vehicle Crime)																												
Action Taken	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regular patrols conducted in the area – concentrating on major routes that would appear to be being used by offenders Police focus on active criminals in the area Information sharing with Police in neighbouring areas Burglary prevention surgeries held in Dullingham, Stetchworth, Ashley, Burwell, and Bottisham in November 2013 Crime prevention work in Burwell following a number of dwelling burglaries in December 2013 																												
Current Situation	<p>Proactive patrols in the area remain an ongoing priority. Arrests made and suspects on bail.</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Acquisitive Crime</th> <th>Oct 13</th> <th>Nov 13</th> <th>Dec 13</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Bottisham</td> <td>2</td> <td>3</td> <td>0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Burwell</td> <td>10</td> <td>2</td> <td>7</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Cheveley</td> <td>5</td> <td>4</td> <td>5</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Dullingham Villages</td> <td>5</td> <td>0</td> <td>5</td> </tr> <tr> <td>The Swaffhams</td> <td>1</td> <td>2</td> <td>4</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total</td> <td>23</td> <td>11</td> <td>21</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Acquisitive crime in the area should remain a priority – with non-dwelling burglary in rural villages being a particular issue.</p>	Acquisitive Crime	Oct 13	Nov 13	Dec 13	Bottisham	2	3	0	Burwell	10	2	7	Cheveley	5	4	5	Dullingham Villages	5	0	5	The Swaffhams	1	2	4	Total	23	11	21
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Continue or Discharge	Continue																												

Priority - Illegal and inconsiderate parking in Woodditton	
Objective	To check for any potentially illegally parked cars in Woodditton
Action Taken	Patrols conducted: 25/10/13 - Words of advice given to postman for parking on footpath. No other vehicles seen.

	30/10/13 - Patrols of the village; no vehicles seen. 01/11/13 - Patrols of the village; no offences seen 06/11/13 - Patrols of the village; no offences seen 12/11/13 - Patrols of the village; no offences seen 20/11/13 - 1 x FPN issued in Vicarage Lane, Woodditton, for footpath obstruction
Current Situation	Limited problems observed
Continue or Discharge	Discharge

Other Issues:

Number	Issue	Action Taken
1	Speeding through Ashley – Police requested to come early in the morning and when parents are doing the school run in the afternoon.	25/10/13 – Speed checks conducted (07:30 – 09:00 hours) – 5 vehicles stopped and given words of advice. Most drivers sticking to the speed limit. 30/10/13 - Speed checks conducted in Ashley – 5/27 vehicles found to be exceeding the speed limit (35mph+) and Speedwatch letters sent out No community Speedwatch activity in Ashley recorded.
2	What is the legal position of parking on the footpath? Vicarage Lane, Woodditton – cars totally on the path so you can't walk past. Ditton Green also a problem when a ramble was taking place. Very dangerous for pedestrians especially if pushing a wheel chair or buggy as you have to go into the road.	There is no specific offence of parking on a footpath or verge (other than by a Heavy Commercial Vehicle). If the footpath is completely blocked then an offence of obstruction may be committed, but an officer would need to assess whether a genuine obstruction was being caused (also taking account of the volume of traffic expected given the nature of the road and time of day).
3	Any evidence on the effectiveness of restorative justice?	Cambridgeshire Constabulary has not undertaken any specific research into the effectiveness of restorative justice, but a number of scholarly articles on this subject can be found on the internet.

Fire Service data NH Panel South; Burwell, Reach, Lode, Swaffham Prior/Bulbeck, Bottisham, Ashley, Cheveley, Woodington, Stetchworth, Dullingham, Westley Waterbless, Brinkley, Burrough Green, Kirtling

Ward	Month	Property Category	Property Type	Cause
Burwell Buntings Path Shed Fire	September	Non residential	Out door structure	Accidental
Dullingham Villages Dullingham, Vicarage Close Building fire	October	Residential	House	Accidental
Swaffham Prior High Street Building fire	October	Non residential	Agricultural building	Accidental
Dullingham Villages Dullingham Cross Green Building fire	December	Residential	House	Accidental
Westley bottom Westley waterlss Electrical Equipment	December	Residential	Cottage	Accidental

Swaffham Bulbeck
Commercial end
Building fire

December

Residential

House

Accidental

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