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## ECONOMY, TRANSPORT AND ENVIRONMENT SERVICES

### One Public Estate Programme (OPE) - Making Assets Count

The One Public Estate Programme (OPE) is led by the Local Government Association (LGA) and the Cabinet Office (Government Property Unit). It supports local authorities to use public sector land and property to deliver new homes, jobs, and economic regeneration, plus major service integration and transformation, at scale and pace. On Friday 8 April 2016, OPE launched Phase 4 of the Programme, with up to £500,000 of funding available to individual partnerships. After the success of being accepted onto Phase 3 of the OPE Programme, the Making Assets Count Programme is working with public sector partner organisations to consider a bid for Phase 4 funding.

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### A14 Project

The decision of the Secretary of State on the A14 Development Consent Order (DCO) is expected by 11 May 2016 which will be followed by a six week legal challenge period. Subject to a favourable decision and no legal challenge, construction of the A14 will start in the autumn. Construction is expected to take three years (excluding the works in Huntingdon) with the road open to traffic in 2019. Once the new A14 is open, work will start on demolishing the viaduct and constructing the new connections, as well as de-trunking the existing road. Work has started on surveys, archaeological investigations, traffic surveys and other advance works not requiring the DCO to be granted.

Highways England is liaising with the County Council with regard to the design of the local road elements of the scheme, flood mitigation, and the scheme legacy. A Liaison Group has been formed from key officers to interface with Highways England, and representatives from Cambridge City, South Cambridgeshire District Council and Huntingdonshire District Council are invited to meetings. The Group meets every six weeks, and sub-groups lead on Design, Traffic, Assets, Environment and Legacy. This is proving to be a successful arrangement.

The review work and agreement of designs is expected to pick up pace significantly in the next quarter, as Highways England progresses with detailed design.

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### Ely Southern Bypass

The Pre-Qualification Questionnaires (PQQ) evaluation of all submissions is now complete. The responses were evaluated for financial and safety suitability, along with relevant experience, particularly with respect to some of the likely risks involved in delivering Ely bypass such as; liaison with Network Rail, constructing rail and river crossings, resolving poor ground conditions, communications and local community impact and benefits. This has taken longer to complete than originally anticipated. Six contractors have been invited to tender with a revised return date set for the 8 June 2016.

The evaluation of tender returns will be undertaken by officers and consultants and independently moderated by Procurement Officers. The process is expected to be

completed at the end of June 2016. Providing costs are within the expected range, a recommendation to award the contract to appoint the preferred bidder will be made to the Environment and Economy Committee on 14 July 2016. Completion of the scheme is still targeted for the end of 2017.

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## **Soham Railway Station**

A major feasibility study has been commissioned which aims to bring Soham Railway Station a step closer to being built.

Cambridgeshire County Council in conjunction with East Cambridgeshire District Council commissioned Network Rail in March 2016 to undertake the GRIP (Governance for Rail Infrastructure Projects) 3 Options and Feasibility study. This work, due to be completed by early 2017, will assess what is required to deliver the railway station in Soham in accordance with the Local Transport Plan and Soham Masterplan. The study will look at what is needed to make sure the station is economically viable and meets requirements of the councils to support jobs, investment and the vibrancy of Soham.

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## **King's Dyke**

The planning application was submitted in December 2015 and was unanimously approved by the County Council's Planning Committee on the 10 March 2016.

Procurement options were considered at the King's Dyke Project Board in January 2016, where it was felt that the work undertaken in ensuring that the EHF2 (Eastern Highways Framework 2) contract provided a competitive and suitable mechanism to deliver the scheme and that the time savings in procurement had sufficient benefits to justify this route. The scheme will therefore be delivered using the EHF2 contract.

Following the approval by Planning Committee in March 2016, information and a specification for the design and construction work is being prepared. This should be completed in July 2016 and the contractor will be asked to compete for Design and Construction with the work awarded to the successful contractor in September / October 2016. It is anticipated that the Design and Construction will take approximately 16 to 18 months, indicating that the earliest completion date will be late 2017 or early 2018. This assumes that land is acquired by negotiation with no requirement for a Public Inquiry into the acquisition of land. It should be noted that the construction programme will depend on the method of construction chosen by the contractor and the requirement to secure possessions from Network Rail to work over and close to the railway.

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## Total Transport

The project is identifying and introducing ways in which community transport, social care journeys, school transport and local bus routes can be delivered more efficiently. In many cases this could involve using the same vehicle for multiple purposes during the day, and perhaps providing journeys for different client groups at the same time.

Public consultation and procurement exercises are being undertaken and subject to the outcome of these, a decision to implement will be made at General Purposes Committee on 31 May 2016. The Booking and Information Centre will go live during August 2016, with services starting on 1 September 2016.

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## Library and Archive Public Consultation update

New opening hours were announced following the public consultation and came into effect from Monday 25 April 2016. This will affect Cambridge Central Library, Ely Library, Huntingdon Library, March Library, St Neots Library, Wisbech Library, the Cambridgeshire Collection, and Cambridgeshire and Huntingdonshire Archives.

Libraries continue to explore an alternative solution to keep St Ives Library open on Sunday afternoons, and possibly extend hours on a Thursday.

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## Library Annual Review of Fees and Charges

A £1 charge for reservations is being introduced this year. Charges will apply to all adult borrowers (excluding Housebound and Library at Home Service customers). Charges for Inter-Library Loans are to change to a £5 non-refundable administration fee plus a sliding scale service fee dependent on where the item is sourced. Music Score requests will be charged at £0.50 or £1 per copy. Library meeting room and venue hire charges increased by 5% with effect from 1 April 2016.

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## Library Automated Telephone Service

Due to a decline in demand for the automated telephone service in recent years, and an increase in running costs, this service ceased from 1 May 2016. The majority of remote transactions are completed online, via the website or the mobile app. Visiting the library or phoning the Contact Centre will be available for the few people who cannot access the online service.

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## Ely Archives Accommodation

The former occupier, Strikes Bowling, vacated the property on 13 April 2016. Workshops with architects from Faithful and Gould are underway. The new home for Cambridgeshire Archives is scheduled to open during 2017.

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## Cromwell Museum Trust

The Cromwell Museum Trust has now been recognised by the Charity Commission as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation, which means that it is now a legal entity able to employ staff and sign contracts. The Trust has appointed a part time curator and has signed the Collections Agreement with the County Council. Transfer of the building to Huntingdon Town Council will take place as soon as the solicitors to all parties agree their satisfaction with the documentation, which is expected to be during the next few weeks.

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## Draft Transport Strategy for East Cambridgeshire

The consultation for the Draft East Cambridgeshire Transport Strategy closed on 8 April 2016. We are now reviewing the responses to the consultation and will produce a consultation report.

The Draft Strategy will then be updated following the feedback we received and taken to the Strategy Steering Group, followed by the Economy and Environment Committee in Autumn 2016.

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## Street Lighting

More than 50,000 street lights have now been upgraded since the commencement of the street lighting replacement programme in July 2011. By the end of March 2016 the programme was 92% complete.

As the programme reaches its final stages Balfour Beatty will be completing works across the county. In April 2016 works are due to be carried out in Cambridge, Duxford, Ely, Godmanchester, Parson Drove, Sapley, Shepreth, Soham and Wisbech.

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## Eastern Highways Alliance

The formal procurement period has now concluded, for the Eastern Highways Framework 2, following a robust assessment and selection process. Following the decision at the Highways and Community Infrastructure Committee in February 2016, a range of contractors have been offered places on this major construction framework to deliver schemes in Cambridgeshire and across the region.

The successful companies for schemes up to £1.5m are:

Danaher & Walsh, Fox Contracting, Henderson & Taylor, John Henry, Murrill, Toppesfield, and W&H Roads.

The successful companies for schemes between £1m and £20m are:

Carillion, Eurovia, Interserve, Jackson, Kier, and Morgan Sindall.

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## CHILDREN, FAMILIES AND ADULTS

### Baseline Assessment for Reception Year children “dropped as national starting point”

A study completed for the Department for Education (DfE) has concluded that the three different tools adopted by schools to assess Reception Year children on entry cannot be used to hold schools to account for pupil progress.

The different measures are not sufficiently comparable to create a fair starting point from which to measure pupils' progress, and consequently, the results cannot be used as the baseline for progress measures, as this would be “inappropriate and unfair to schools”.

Schools may choose to continue with the existing tools in September 2016, and the DfE will be considering options for improving assessment arrangements in reception over the coming months, and will make an announcement in due course.

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### Education White Paper: Educational Excellence Everywhere

'Educational Excellence Everywhere' sets out the government's plans for the next five years. It covers teaching and leadership in schools, (Chapters 2 and 3), preventing and tackling underperformance in academies (Chapter 5), curriculum reform (Chapter 6), governance and standards (Chapter 7), and fair funding for schools (Chapter 8), which is the subject of a separate consultation.

The paper proposes some very significant changes, including:

- Every school to become an academy by 2022, which means that Local Authorities will no longer have a direct role in school improvement.
- 500 Free Schools to be opened by 2020
- Academy trusts will no longer be required to reserve places for elected parents on governing boards.
- A re-defined role for local authorities:
  - Ensuring every child has a school place including that there are sufficient school, special school and AP (Alternative Provision) places to meet local demand.
  - Ensuring the needs of vulnerable learners are met by identifying and making provision for children with SEND or with looked after status.
  - Act as champions for all parents families including listening to and promoting the needs of parents, children and the local community, and where necessary calling for action from the Regional Schools Commissioner to tackle underperformance.

[Media reports at the time of publishing suggested that there may be a change to the government position with regard to this item]

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### Schools National Funding Formula

The Department for Education (DfE) published the first stage of its consultation on the national funding formulae for schools and high needs on 7 March 2016. This first stage,

closed on 17 April 2016, outlines the principles by which the formulae will be set and the building blocks of the national funding formulae for schools and high needs.

<https://consult.education.gov.uk/funding-policy-unit/schools-national-funding-formula>

<https://consult.education.gov.uk/funding-policy-unit/high-needs-funding-reform>

Following receipt of responses to the first stage consultation the DfE will publish their own response alongside the launch of the second stage consultation. The second stage will focus on the detailed design of the formulae and will show how the new formulae will impact on the funding of schools and local authorities. The DfE will also be consulting on a national funding formula and associated reforms for early years later this year.

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### Cambridgeshire Catering Services (CCS)

To support the policies set out by the School Food Plan and the change in the OFSTED Common Inspection Framework guidance, CCS has commissioned Dietician, Nicole Madden, to develop a portfolio of services to support schools. The School Food Plan places emphasis on the take-up of nutritious school food and hopes to inspire a culture and ethos of healthy eating.

Nicole is working closely with pilot schools and the CCS Training Team to implement a number of school meal initiatives:

- School Nutrition Action Groups
- Farm to Fork Assemblies
- Improve the Dining Environment
- Support Cooking in the Curriculum
- Lunchtime Supervisor Training

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### Early Talk Boost training for early years practitioners

Cambridgeshire now has a licenced trainer to deliver Early Talk Boost training for practitioners. Early Talk Boost is a targeted intervention, delivered by a trained early year's practitioner to a group of up to 8 children aged 3-4 years old that have delayed language development. The intervention helps to boost their language skills to help narrow the gap between them and their peers.

Developed by I-CAN specialists, Early Talk Boost has piloted in 3 areas. After the Early Talk Boost intervention, children make statistically significant progress in their early language. On average children make six months progress after a nine-week intervention, helping them to catch up with other children their age. This is twice the amount of progress of children not having the intervention.

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## Fostering

A couple who have retired after fostering with Cambridgeshire County Council for over 25 years have been honoured by the local authority. Pat and Michael Molloy, from Catworth, dedicated their time as foster carers providing a loving and supportive home to more than 25 children with disabilities and complex medical needs.

Councillor Simon Bywater visited the couple at their home to present them with a certificate. He said "it has been a pleasure to meet Pat and Michael and hear about the hugely important role they played in improving the lives of some of local disabled children. I would like to thank them on behalf of Cambridgeshire County Council and wish them all the very best for their retirement".

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## Cambridgeshire Adoption Scorecard Analysis (2012-15)

The final scorecard release has been received for 2012-15 and we have the opportunity to consider where Cambridgeshire's performance is benchmarked nationally and with our statistical neighbour's and the eastern region. Overall Cambridgeshire has continued to perform well.

The adoption Scorecard information is calculated by using the 3 year average timescales / percentages for children who received their Adoption Orders between 2012 and 2015. Performance is then benchmarked against both the threshold performance targets and the national average.

Cambridgeshire is one of only 4 Local Authorities's nationally to have met the threshold for timescales in both key performance indicators. The others being Harrow, Shropshire, Telford and Wrekin.

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## Access, Children in Need (CiN) and Looked After Children (LAC) Units

On the 1 March 2016, the service launched a redesign of the Heads of Service responsibilities for the operational social work units in Children's Social Care. In order to ensure the smooth transition of children and their family through our system, improve flexibility of how resources are utilised and further improve the relationships both within the service and with partner agencies, the Head of Service responsibilities have been reviewed and the following changes implemented:

- Head of Service Rebecca Wilshire (previously Head of Service for Access) has assumed responsibility for the Access, CiN and LAC Units working in Huntingdonshire and Fenland
- Head of Service Fiona Van Den Hout (previously Head of Service for CiN) has assumed responsibility for the Access, CiN and LAC Units working in East Cambridgeshire, South Cambridgeshire and Cambridge City

- Head of Service Tracy Collins (previously Head of Service for LAC) has assumed overarching responsibility for Corporate Parenting

The transition commenced in March 2016 with a handover of services and line management responsibilities and is now complete. Staff and managers have welcomed the changes and continue to be highly committed and dedicated to achieving the best possible outcomes for children and families.

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### **New Adults Early Help Service**

The creation of the new Adult Early Help Service is a key element of Transforming Lives tiers one and two. The service is designed to:

- reduce the number of referrals to social work teams (and therefore the number of people being assessed for more costly care packages);
- improve the customer experience and older and vulnerable people's health and wellbeing;
- reduce the likelihood of people needing statutory services – by providing an effective, preventative response that supports people to maintain their independence for longer.

The new multi-disciplinary team will support and advise people who are beginning to require help in older age but do not yet have eligible needs for an ongoing care package. They will provide expert help over the phone, via home visits or booked appointments at community buildings. People will be helped to access local services, given advice about how to organise help for themselves and signposted to sources of information, so that issues can be resolved without the need for formal assessment or development of a care plan.

The new team, who are based at the Contact Centre in St Ives, 'went live' on 11 April 2016, with some existing staff across the Older People and Physical Disability/Visual Impairment Teams and the Welfare Benefits/Finance Assessment Team and two Occupational Therapists in the team. The team will have clear pathways/links with other key teams such as Assistive Technology, Re-ablement, the Voluntary and Community Sector and Social Care Teams in Older People and Physical Disability.

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## Mosaic Project

The Mosaic Project has been set up to manage the implementation of the new system to support Adults Social Care, Children's Social Care and other Children's Services. For Adult Social Care this will replace SWIFT AIS (Adult Integrated System) and potentially Adult Finance Module (AFM).

'Mosaic' is the name of the software product supplied by Corelogic. The first stage will focus on the project start-up and the planning of the technical implementation of the hardware and software. By the end of May 2016 we anticipate:

- Governance arrangements agreed and set up;
- Work packages agreed and resource appointed;
- Technical scoping documents produced;
- A best practice configuration system installed;
- Ordering of hardware and software; and
- Communication plan in place.

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## Jasmin House

Recently one of the tenants within the supported living home required urgent medical attention. The staff provided the paramedics with her hospital passport (a booklet mainly used for people with learning difficulties, which summarises their medical conditions, likes and dislikes etc), which is created alongside the support plan, the feedback from the medical staff was very positive and they praised the work within this document and said how helpful it was in enabling the medical staff to care for this lady and to successfully meet her needs. Hospital passports are used across in house services.

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## Reminiscence Lounge, Victoria Lodge

The 1950's Reminiscence Lounge at Victoria Lodge, Wisbech has been established to support our Older Peoples Day Service at the centre. Supporting people with dementia in reminiscence can help to improve their mood, cognitive ability and well-being. The lounge supports this by creating a comforting and homely environment where people can feel safe and relaxed.

Being in this environment supports conversations and reminisces to a time and place that often those with dementia can connect with. The lounge is also used for small groups to play board and card games or just have a chat and enjoy another person's company, essential to reduce social isolation which is common place in our older generation. The lounge could also be used for education to bring the past back to life for the younger generation.

Fundraising at Victoria Lodge has enabled the room to be created but continues to be an on-going project.

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## Fenland Day Services

A group of Service Users supported by the Fenland Employment Skills Worker from Day Services at Victoria Lodge, Wisbech have created a fully interactive on-line blog site accessible from both PC and mobile devices.

The blog contains information relating to community groups, activities, voluntary organisations and opportunities in the Fenland area which are available to all client groups. This provides useful information for people within Tier 1 support wanting to know what is available to access in their local community. The blog can be found at <http://fenexplorers.blogspot.co.uk/>.

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## St Luke's Summer House

St Luke's has been working in partnership with an anonymous donor to build a new Summerhouse for service users where they are able to take time out during their stay. Another generous donation has been made to purchase furniture to ensure the summerhouse is comfortable and practical for a wide range of needs. It is expected that the furniture will be in place and the summer house up and running fully by mid-May 2016.

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## **PUBLIC HEALTH**

### **Mental Health Awareness Week**

This year's national mental health awareness week (16 to 22 May 2016) is focusing on the theme of relationships. Good relationships are essential to maintaining good mental health. Locally we will be promoting this theme along with key mental health messages from the National Public Health England Campaign 'One you'. These messages include: 'Being physically active helps to lower your stress levels and also improves your sleep' and 'Feeling down or stressed? Telling someone how you feel can really help'. During this week we are also running a live webinar on mental health and relationships for young people and parents with partners from Huntingdonshire Regional College, Mind in Cambridgeshire and Centre 33. This will include information on the Stress Less campaign aimed at young people.

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### **Stress LESS Campaign**

The Stress LESS campaign was launched across Cambridgeshire and Peterborough in April 2016 by Cambridgeshire Mind. It is aimed at young people with a particular focus on managing stress around exam time. Its key messages explain that stress can be helpful, but too much can get you down and stop you from doing your best. It provides tips for managing stress including: planning your time, being kind, getting enough sleep, having a laugh, exercising and focusing on your breathing. It will provide the opportunity for young people to develop an action plan on managing stress with categories similar to the five ways of wellbeing including: start planning, stay positive, get physical, connect with others and time off.

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### **Scrutiny of the Older People's and Adult Community Services Contract – Independent Reviews**

The Health Committee has been conducting scrutiny of the termination of the contract between Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) and Uniting Care Partnership for delivery of NHS Older People's and Adult Community Services. The scrutiny has focused on continuation of patient care and business continuity. This was followed up with a more comprehensive scrutiny regarding the reasons behind the termination of the contract with Chief Executives of the organisations involved and representatives from the regulators NHS England and Monitor.

On 12 May 2016, members will be discussing the findings of both Cambridgeshire & Peterborough Clinical Commissioning Groups internal review and NHS England review (both reviews available through links below). Cambridgeshire & Peterborough Foundation Trust (CPFT) have commissioned the Judge Business School to conduct a review on their behalf which is anticipated to be completed by June 2016. In addition the National Audit Office has opened an investigation and will focus on the factors that contributed to the contract's

collapse. Working with Cambridgeshire HealthWatch and Peterborough HealthWatch, the Health Committee will be identifying the learning from these enquiries and examine the future plans to support the development of integrated services.

<http://www.cambridgeshireandpeterboroughccg.nhs.uk/downloads/CCG/Priority%20Older%20Peoples%20Programme/Internal-Audit-OPACS-Report-10-March-2016.pdf>  
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### **Dementia Awareness Week (15-21 May 2016)**

The County Council is working with the Alzheimer's Society and other partners to promote Dementia Awareness Week, running from 15-21 May 2016. In Cambridgeshire we have approximately 8000 people living with dementia, with many friends, families, and carers' supporting them. A Public Health campaign with posters and leaflets will be delivered through local pharmacies across Cambridgeshire & Peterborough, particularly advising people who are worried about their memory or dementia to seek help and advice. Communications activity through social media and press will promote local opportunities such as memory cafes and choirs for people with dementia and their carers to live as well as possible. We are also encouraging the public across Cambridgeshire to become 'Dementia Friends' – people with a little more understanding about living with dementia and ready to be considerate of those who may have dementia in their community. Dementia Friends awareness sessions (approximately 45 minutes long) will be offered during lunchtimes to Councillors and County Council staff at Shire Hall and Scott House during the week.

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### **Annual Public Health Report (2015-2016)**

Many of the factors that affect people's health start at a very local level – based on opportunities and lifestyles in the communities where we live. This year's Annual Public Health Report (APHR) will focus on health issues at a local level – providing 'health maps' of the county broken down into individual electoral wards. It will also provide brief case studies from around the county of what local communities are already doing to support healthy lifestyle and wellbeing. The APHR will be presented to Health Committee on May 12 2016 and will be available on weblink [www.cambridgeshireinsight.org.uk/health/aphr](http://www.cambridgeshireinsight.org.uk/health/aphr). Hard copies will be circulated to all County Councillors, District Councils, Parish Councils, libraries and GP surgeries.

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## **CUSTOMER SERVICE AND TRANSFORMATION**

### **Finalists for MJ Awards – Excellence in Community Engagement**

Cambridgeshire County Council has been short listed for the MJ Awards, as one of the seven finalists for the ***Excellence in Community Engagement*** category. The application focused on our strengths based approach to community building and specifically case studied our Time Credits Programme. Time Credits are a community currency which people earn for volunteering with participating organisations. For each hour they give volunteers receive a credit which can be spent on a huge range of activities from after school clubs to entry to the Tower of London. In less than two years 900 Cambridgeshire residents have signed up to the scheme, giving over 10,000 hours to their communities. Importantly, 51% of people had never volunteered before.

The winner of the award will be announced at the awards ceremony in June 2016.

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### **The Queen's 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday Beacon Lighting Event**

On 21 April 2016, local residents were invited to join a beacon lighting ceremony at Shire Hall to mark the Queen's 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday. The beacon was one of over 1,000 to be lit throughout the United Kingdom.

The ceremony began at 7pm with the official beacon lighting at 7.30pm by Deputy Lieutenant Colonel Colin Elsdon. The event included the premier of a short film which has been produced in partnership with Age UK Cambridgeshire and Peterborough with students from Cambridge Regional College to celebrate good health in older age. There was also music from the Cambridge Salvation Army Brass Band.

Thanks to the public, Members and staff who attended and all who were involved in making the evening a great success.

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# COUNCIL AND ASSOCIATED MEETINGS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC IN MAY 2016

**Members of the public are welcome at the following meetings**

DATE	TIME	MEETING	VENUE
10th	1.30 pm	County Council	Shire Hall, Cambridge CB3 0AP
12th	10.00 am	Planning Committee	Shire Hall, Cambridge
12th	2.00 pm	Health Committee	Shire Hall, Cambridge
17th	10.00 am	Highways and Community Infrastructure Committee	Shire Hall, Cambridge CB3 0AP
17th	2.00 pm	Adults Committee	Shire Hall, Cambridge
18th	10.30 am	Joint Development Control Committee: Cambridge Fringes	The Guildhall, Cambridge CB2 3QJ
19th	2.00 pm	Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Fire Authority	Fire Service HQ, Brampton Road, Huntingdon PE29 2NA
19th	2.00 pm	Local Government Shared Services Joint Committee	Stanton House, Huntingdon PE29 6XL
24th	10.00 am	Economy and Environment Committee	Shire Hall, Cambridge
24th	2:00 pm	Children and Young People Committee	Shire Hall, Cambridge
26th	10.00 am	Pension Fund Committee	Shire Hall, Cambridge
26th	10.00 am	Cambridgeshire Health and Wellbeing Board	Bargroves Centre, St Neots PE19 2EY
31st	10:00 am	General Purposes Committee	Shire Hall, Cambridge

All or part of these meetings are likely to be held in private on the grounds that they are considering exempt information under Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act as amended, and that it would not be in the public interest for this information to be disclosed.

DATE	TIME	MEETING	VENUE
12th	12.30 pm	Service Appeals Sub-Committee* (provisional)	Shire Hall, Cambridge
24th	10.00 am	Service Appeals Sub-Committee* (provisional)	Cambridge or March
26th	10.10 am	Pension Fund Committee Investment Sub-Committee* *	Shire Hall, Cambridge

**\*information relating to any individual; \*\* information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person - including the authority holding that information**

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