



Bourn Parish Council Newsletter

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Updates from South Cambs District Council *Greater Cambridge - Local Plan*

We are working with Cambridge City Council to prepare a joint Local Plan for the Greater Cambridge area. Both the Councils' current adopted Local Plans (2018) include a policy which makes a commitment to an early review of those Plans to commence before the end of 2019.

One of the first stages of the new joint Local Plan is an Issues and Options consultation. This is due to begin on 25 November and run through until the New Year.

[A report](#) was published on Monday 23 September, giving details of the Issues and Options

consultation. This includes the themes the Local Plan will explore. Councillors will debate the report in September and October and will be asked to agree to consult local people.

We will publish more information about the consultation on our website when it begins on 25 November to help people have their say. We are working especially hard to get information across to groups that have been traditionally hard to reach and engage in planning issues.

Read more [in our news release on our website.](#)

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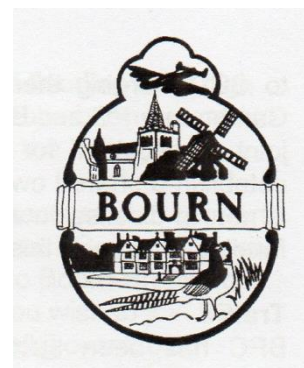
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Community Chest Grants

The second tranche of the Community Chest Grant opens on Tuesday 1 October. Community groups, charities, voluntary sector organisations and Parish Councils with fewer than 160 registered electors can apply for a share of £29,000.

From Tuesday 1 October there is a slight change in the grant's criteria. This means that our committee reserves the right to supersede the clause that only parish councils or parish meetings of more than 160 registered electors can apply, should good cause be shown. For example, if the parish council or parish meeting has multiple settlements, and the application pertains to any one of these which satisfies the 160 elector threshold, or registered electors are within 10% of threshold.

More information can be found on the [Community Chest section of our website](#).

Contact: [Email Ellen Bridges](#) or call 01954 713294

Zero Carbon Communities grant scheme – now open

This is a reminder that the deadline for the Zero Carbon Communities grant is fast approaching. If you are thinking of applying or know of any groups that are interested in benefitting from £1,000 to £15,000 you still

have time. **The deadline is 31 October.** To recap, we are looking for bold and ambitious projects that achieve:

- 1) Community engagement around climate change and the environment, and
- 2) One or more of the following:
 - Reduction in carbon emissions
 - Reduction in energy use
 - Generation of renewable energy or heat
 - Promotion of sustainable travel
 - Reduction in use of resources
 - Increased recycling and/or waste reduction

More information is available [on this part of our website](#).

Contact: [Email Emma Dyer](#) or call 01954 713344

Thermal imaging cameras

With winter fast approaching and increased heating required, it is surprising what savings can be made by putting in simple insulation measures to reduce heat losses and draughts. A thermal imaging camera will help identify these heat losses and can be borrowed for free by [emailing us here](#).

Alternatively, you can call 03450 450 063.

For more information visit [this part of our website](#).

Cambourne Repair Cafe

Cambourne will be holding its first Repair café on Saturday 7 December. It will run from 11am

to 2pm at The Hub, High Street, Cambourne CB23 6GW.

Cambridge Carbon Footprint would like to hear from those interested in becoming repairers, so if you know of anyone or would like to know more about repair cafés in general, please contact them.

Contact: [Email Nicole Barton at Cambridge Carbon Footprint](#).

EU Settlement Scheme

Please help us spread the message about the Government's EU Settlement Scheme. If you are an EU, EEA or Swiss citizen you are now able to apply to the EU Settlement Scheme to continue living in the UK after 30 June 2021.

The Government has provided details of the Settlement Scheme, including how to apply [on their website](#). Guidance on the settlement scheme is available in all 26 EU languages.

If there is a deal, EU citizens will need to register under the scheme by 30 June 2021. If the UK leaves the EU without a deal the deadline for applying will be 31 December 2020.

Help and information about your EU Settlement Scheme application is available by telephone from the EU Settlement Resolution Centre on 0300 123 7379. You can also contact the Government's Assisted Digital Service, which offers telephone and face to face support to help you to complete your application form, by calling 03333 445 675.

New Bourn Village Website

The new village website is almost finished and is now in final testing stages.

We are including details of local groups and a business directory listing so if you run a local group or business and would like to be included, please contact Cllr. Jagers.

Community Gritting Scheme

The Community Gritting Scheme helps to keep communities moving in freezing weather. It involves local volunteers gritting and clearing important local routes as agreed by the parish council and the County Council, using equipment supplied.

If you would like to volunteer for the winter of 2019-20 please contact the Parish Clerk. For further information on the scheme see -

<https://tinyurl.com/y4poy9fn>

Speedwatch news

We have fifteen volunteers to date, the majority of whom have taken part in at least one roadside session. All volunteers

have taken part in a training session with Cambridgeshire Police.

Having started in April, we have now held fourteen sessions at different locations around the village. Only those volunteers who are 'on duty' on the day know where these are situated.

To date we have recorded over 2,100 vehicles in total during the sessions, all of which were within the 30mph areas of the village. Of those recorded we have reported 180 for speeds in excess of



35mph, the highest being, on three occasions, 50mph. Vehicles travelling at speeds between 30mph and 35mph are recorded for statistical purposes, but not reported.

The total numbers of vehicles recorded at any session, whether exceeding the limit or not, will help the Parish Council with the evidence required in their efforts to get the County Council to install better traffic calming through the village by highlighting the amount of 'rat-running' at busy times on the nearby major roads. These numbers are only valid for vehicles travelling in the direction being monitored; there are just as many vehicles travelling in the opposite direction showing just how heavy the traffic often is.

There will always be room for more volunteers as it is not always possible to get the minimum requirement of three available for any one time or date. If you'd like to volunteer, or for more information, please contact the co-ordinator, Cllr Les Rolfe.

Parish Council Vacancies

Are you looking for an opportunity to influence local decisions and support our village?

We currently have vacancies for 3 parish councillors.

Being a parish councillor does not need to be hugely time consuming. There is a limited minimum time commitment required and we meet most months for about two hours, in the evenings.

You need to be 18 years old or over and a resident in the village. If you are interested in joining us to get good things done for our village, please contact our Parish Clerk on bourncpcclerk@gmail.com

Coroners' Court Support Service - volunteers required

Reasonable expenses paid and training provided

Would you be able to give emotional and practical support to families and witnesses attending Inquests?



The Coroners' Courts
Support Service

Volunteers are required to join an existing team in Huntingdon and Peterborough Coroners' Court. You must be able to commit to 2 full days a month (9am-5pm) and have excellent listening and communication skills.

For further information or an application pack, please email info@ccsupport.org.uk or call 07496 613634

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Parish council meetings

The Parish Council meets on the **third Wednesday of each**

month (except August and December) **at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.**

All parishioners are invited to attend the meeting and the first ten minutes or so are open to residents to ask questions or make comments and observations on Bourn matters or on items on the agenda (please note that after this time, further comments or questions are not permitted when the meeting is in progress). If the matter is on the agenda or has already been under discussion a response may be given at the meeting, otherwise the matter may be tabled for fuller discussion at the next (or a future) meeting. If you want to raise a matter with the Council, please email the Parish Clerk.

Items for the Parish Council's consideration must be sent to the Parish Clerk seven clear days before the meeting. Minutes and agendas can be found on the Council's website <http://www.bourn.org.uk> and on the village noticeboards.

Newsletter distribution

The Parish Council delivers a copy of the June newsletter to each household in the village. At all other times a limited number of printed copies will be available at the village notice boards, Hall Close Community Centre, the local shop, the Doctors' Surgery and Knibbs the butchers, for collection.

We are encouraging residents to sign up to receive our quarterly newsletters by email. Please contact Cllr Jagers at sarah.jagers2@gmail.com to be added to the email distribution list or if you would a large print copy delivered.

Alternatively, they can be downloaded from the Parish Council's website -

<http://www.bourn.org.uk>

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