

Ely Neighbourhood Panel meeting

Wednesday 27th July 2011

The Council Chamber, East Cambridgeshire District Council.

AGENDA

19:00- 19:02	1	Welcome	Cllr John Yates, Panel Chairman
19:02- 19:05	2	Introductions and Apologies (Inc. introduction of officers present from agencies)	Cllr John Yates, Panel Chairman
19:05- 19:10	3	Election of Chairman and Vice-Chairman	John Hill, ECDC Lead Officer
19:10- 19:15	4	Revised Terms of Reference	Panel Chairman
19:15- 19:20	5	Chairman's Announcements and Consultation items	Panel Chairman & John Hill, ECDC Lead Officer
19:20- 19:40	6	Update on (non-police) actions since last meeting	All relevant Lead Officers
19:40- 20:00	7	Neighbourhood Policing Update (action since the last Panel meeting)	Robin Sissons, East Cambs Sector Insp, Cambridgeshire Constabulary
20:00- 20:15	8	Discussion of Neighbourhood Issues raised by audience and Panel members	John Fuller, Community Engagement Manager, Cambs. Constabulary
20:15- 20:35	9	Services currently delivered by the City of Ely Council and future plans and aspirations	Cllr Brian Ashton, City of Ely Council
20:35- 20:50	10	JSNA – Prevention of ill-health in adults of a working age	Val Thomas/Ellen Nicholson, NHS – Cambridgeshire
20:50- 20:55	11	Panel Prioritisation	Panel Chairman
20:55- 21:00	12	Forward Agenda	Panel Chairman

CURRENT CONSULTATIONS

Delegated Service Protocol ECDC

In response to the Localism Bill, East Cambridgeshire District Council is developing a 'Delegated Services Protocol', which will provide a clear steer and framework for the greater involvement of parish and town Councils in the design and delivery of services.

The draft 'Delegated Services Protocol' is currently out for consultation with parish and town councils and we are inviting comments and feedback on the principles of service delegation. Specific responses on the process, criteria and scope of delegated services are particularly welcomed. We are very interested to hear what services (if any) that East Cambridgeshire District Council currently deliver, you feel a parish/town council could deliver more effectively at a local level.

If you would like a copy of the Protocol, please contact Julie Cornwell, Partnerships Officer, by e-mail: julie.cornwell@eastcamb.gov.uk or by phone: 01353 665555. All responses should be returned by *Thursday 4th August 2011*. Subject to Committee approval, it is anticipated that the final 'Delegated Services Protocol' will be ready for adoption in September 2011.

Village Vision consultation (27th June to 18th July 2011)

The District Council wants to work with Parish Councils and local communities to draw up a 'Vision' for each settlement in the district. The Vision will identify how each village should grow and improve in the future, and what infrastructure and facilities may be needed. The Village Visions will be included in the District Council's statutory development plan (known as the Core Strategy), and will be used to inform decisions on development and planning applications.

The District Council is planning to carry out consultation between 27th June and 18th July 2011, in order to get people's views on local priorities and how they would like their villages to be in the future. The questionnaires and other background information are available on the Council's website at www.eastcamb.gov.uk/local-development-framework/core-strategy-review. Further information can be obtained by phoning the Forward Planning team on 01353 665555. People's views will be used to draw up draft Visions for each settlement. It is hoped to publish the draft Visions in early 2012, when there will be a further opportunity for comment.

Polling places, polling district and polling stations review

East Cambridgeshire District Council is required to conduct a review of its polling districts, places and stations every four years, and the Returning Officer is asked to make proposals regarding the polling districts, places and stations as part of the review. The review process will start on the 27 June when the relevant documents will be published on the council's website, be available for inspection at the council offices, sent to local stakeholders and be available from electoral services on request. These will include the background reasons for the review and the returning officer's proposals. The consultation period will last until 31 August. After this date officers will collate all the responses to the proposals and look at any alternative proposals received, and recommendations be made for a final decision at full Council on 11 October. Any amendments to the register of electors following the review will be implemented on 1 December 2011.

Olympics Events Diary

The East Cambs Strategic Partnership's 'Culture and Communities Advisory Group' will be co-ordinating the district's Olympic events diary for 2012. The Group has already led on co-ordination of the National Cultural Olympiad Weekends across East Cambridgeshire and they are now in the process of contacting all Parish Councils in order to gain their involvement in the planned East Cambs Village Olympics celebrations for 2012. If you are involved in planning any events for next year or would like to know more of the Groups plans, please contact Tracey Harding, Team Leader - Tourism and Town Centres, ECDC, Tel: 01353 665555 or e-mail tracey.harding@eastcamb.gov.uk

Supporting migrant workers in the community

We have been working towards improving living conditions for migrant workers in private rented accommodation. This involves working closely with tenants and landlords to improve conditions, supporting both parties and raising awareness. There is now strong liaison between the council and recent migrant communities particularly in Ely and Soham, and strong partnership working with other agencies. Other key issues that are part of this work are community cohesion - helping people to connect with each other and to understand each other better, and supporting ESOL (English for Speakers of Other Languages) surveys and provision.

We are exploring the idea of running language cafes, in local cafes or other suitable venues, involving small groups of people wishing to practise their English, and native English-speaker mentors drawn from the local community. We would also like to involve young people in this scheme - as mentors and participants.

If anyone would like to know more, or would like to participate in the language cafes, please contact Emily Haysom, Health and Safety Housing Officer (Migrant Workers)
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