

**CAMBRIDGESHIRE & PETERBOROUGH JOINT STRATEGIC PLANNING & TRANSPORT
MEMBER GROUP**

Aims & Activities

- To ensure that a coherent approach is taken to development strategies across Cambridgeshire and Peterborough and that the Duty to Co-operate is actively addressed;
- To steer the development of a non-statutory spatial framework for Cambridgeshire & Peterborough to at least 2031; and
- To steer the development of a long term transport strategy for Cambridgeshire covering 2012 - 2050

Representation	Meetings per year	Expenses paid by Organisation
3 Members	Quarterly	No

Status of Member	Insurance Provision
Representative of ECDC	No

Category of Officer Support	Contact Officer	Representatives for 2014/15
1	Richard Kay	Councillor Allen Alderson Councillor Philip Read Councillor Gareth Wilson

Report from representative(s)

This partnership organisation enables Members and Officers from all the District Councils and the Cambridgeshire County Council & Peterborough City Council to discuss and develop a Joint Long Term Transport and Planning Strategy for the area.

Topics for discussion have included the A10 and A1123, the A14 and the rail links throughout the County. Councillor Wilson has supported the case for reopening Soham Station and against the tolling of the A14, however, since producing the report, the group has not met.

It is important to work in partnership with our neighbouring local authorities on transport and planning issues that cross local authority boundaries.

This is a well attended meeting by all the authorities and has produced a draft "Long Term Transport Strategy", an important document for the County.

Representatives for 2015/16
Councillor Ian Bovingdon Councillor Mike Rouse Councillor Lisa Stubbs

EAST OF ENGLAND LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

Aims & Activities

- To represent the interests of local authorities in the region
- To formulate sound policies for the development of local government in the region
- To promote the policies of the East of England LGA and provide information/advice on local government issues to the public and partner organisations
- To enable Councillors to exercise their democratic accountability and leadership effectively
- To support innovation and excellence that enables local authorities and their partnerships to meet the needs of their communities and meet future challenges.

Representation	Meetings per year	Expenses paid by Organisation
Leader of the Council	Assembly of Council Leaders – twice yearly	No

Status of Member	Insurance Provision
Representative of ECDC	Yes

Category of Officer Support	Contact Officer	Representative for 2014/15
1	John Hill, Chief Executive	Councillor James Palmer

Report from representative:

Representative for 2015/16
Councillor Anna Bailey

**GREATER CAMBRIDGE, GREATER PETERBOROUGH LOCAL ENTERPRISE
PARTNERSHIP**

Aims & Activities

- The Greater Cambridge Greater Peterborough Enterprise Partnership (GCGP LEP) is focused on helping to drive forward sustainable economic growth.
- Enabling the development and occupation of Alconbury Enterprise Zone in line with partners' vision for the site.
- Advocating and influencing improvements to the area's infrastructure.
- Promoting business-led skills provision and improving the readiness of school leavers.
- Promoting enterprise growth and innovation.
- Improving international promotion, increasing inward investment and exporting.

Representation	Meetings per year	Expenses paid by Organisation
One Member	TBA	?

Status of Member	Insurance Provision
Non-voting Observer	No

Category of Officer Support	Contact Officer	Representative for 2014/15
1	Darren Hill	Councillor Tom Kerby

Report from representative:

Representative for 2015/16
Councillor Lis Every

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

Aims & Activities

To support, promote and improve local government in England and Wales.

To support councillors in their role as democratically elected local representatives.

Representation	Meetings per year	Expenses paid by Organisation
One Member	3	Attendance - Yes Travelling - No

Status of Member	Insurance Provision
Representative of ECDC	No

Category of Officer Support	Contact Officer	Representative for 2014/15
1	John Hill	Councillor Philip Read

Report from representative:

Councillor Read did not submit an annual report as he was unable to attend meetings due to ill health.

Representative for 2015/16
Councillor Joshua Schumann

LGA – DISTRICT COUNCILS' NETWORK

Aims & Activities

- To lobby and negotiate directly with senior members of national political parties on district specific needs and issues – the “localism” agenda;
- To inform and influence national agencies, government departments and other local authority agencies on things that matter, such as resources and allocation;
- To get the Network’s unique message across to the audiences that matter – people, Government, partners, regulators;
- Help each other to remain effective and share learning/good practice.

Representation	Meetings per year	Expenses paid by Organisation
Leader of the Council	4	No

Status of Member	Insurance Provision
Representative of ECDC	No

Category of Officer Support	Contact Officer	Representative for 2014/15
1	John Hill	Councillor James Palmer

Report from Representative:

Representative for 2015/16
Councillor James Palmer

BURNT FEN INTERNAL DRAINAGE BOARD

Aims & Activities

To maintain the drainage network.

Representation	Meetings per year	Expenses paid by Organisation
Two Members	3	By the Council

Status of Member	Insurance Provision
Board Member	Yes

Category of Officer Support	Contact Officer	Representative(s) for 2014/15
3	Linda Grinnell	Councillor Derrick Beckett Councillor Tony Parramint

Report from representative(s):

Representative(s) for 2015/16
Councillor Derrick Beckett Councillor Julia Huffer

CAWDLE FEN INTERNAL DRAINAGE BOARD

Aims & Activities

To maintain the drainage network.

Representation	Meetings per year	Expenses paid by Organisation
Seven Members	3	By the Council

Status of Member	Insurance Provision
Board Member	Yes

Category of Officer Support	Contact Officer	Representative(s) for 2014/15
3	Linda Grinnell	Councillor Tony Cornell Councillor Jeremy Friend-Smith Councillor Lindsey Harris Councillor Tom Hunt Councillor Charles Roberts Councillor Mike Rouse Vacancy

Report from representative(s):

Meetings give a real insight into issues affecting agriculture. One benefit of membership is that the Engineer had been more involved in planning matters, giving greater recognition of the importance of IDB's.

Representative(s) for 2015/16
Councillor Coralie Green Councillor Elaine Griffin Singh Councillor Neil Hitchin Councillor Tom Hunt Councillor Andy Pearson Councillor Charles Roberts Councillor Mike Rouse

HADDENHAM LEVEL INTERNAL DRAINAGE BOARD

Aims & Activities

To maintain the drainage network.

Representation	Meetings per year	Expenses paid by Organisation
Two Members	3	By the Council

Status of Member	Insurance Provision
Board Member	To be confirmed

Category of Officer Support	Contact Officer	Representatives for 2014/15
3	Linda Grinnell	Councillor Bill Hunt Councillor Gareth Wilson

Report from representative(s):

This is a precepting body with the duty of protecting the Haddenham area from flooding and providing irrigation for agriculture.

Drain maintenance and maintaining the water level and the equipment needed was agreed.

A special meeting was held in March 2015 to accept the retirement of the Clerk to the Drainage Board. Instead of appointing an individual it was agreed to appoint the Middle Level Drainage Board Commissioners to provide the Clerk's duties; Councillor Wilson was able to assist with advice on the correct procedure.

Continued representation is worthwhile because this is a statutory body which provides a critical service to the area.

Representatives for 2015/16
Councillor Bill Hunt Councillor Stuart Smith

LITTLEPORT AND DOWNHAM INTERNAL DRAINAGE BOARD

Aims & Activities

To maintain the drainage network.

Representation	Meetings per year	Expenses paid by Organisation
Six Members	3	By the Council

Status of Member	Insurance Provision
Board Member	Yes

Category of Officer Support	Contact Officer	Representatives for 2014/15
3	Linda Grinnell	Councillor David Ambrose Smith Councillor Tony Goodge Councillor Mike Rouse Councillor Andy Wright Vacancy Vacancy

Report from representatives:

The Internal Drainage Boards provide essential flood protection for the District.

With the business and residential growth planned for the District, there are concerns that the concerns and recommendations of Internal Drainage Boards will not always be acted upon. Developers have already tried to take short cuts; ECDC planners must continue to back the IDB's.

ECDC should work more closely with the IDB's as the funding issue does leave the District vulnerable. The IDB's have been far too sensitive in curbing their annual rate rises, when against nature, this is something that will never go away.

Items considered/discussed have included efficient finance, management of land drainage, and floor management.

Representatives for 2015/16
Councillor Christine Ambrose Smith Councillor David Ambrose Smith Councillor Mike Bradley Councillor Paul Cox Councillor Mike Rouse Councillor Jo Webber

MIDDLE FEN AND MERE INTERNAL DRAINAGE BOARD

Aims & Activities

To maintain the drainage network.

Representation	Meetings per year	Expenses paid by Organisation
Five Members	3	By the Council

Status of Member	Insurance Provision
Board Member	Yes

Category of Officer Support	Contact Officer	Representatives for 2014/15
3	Linda Grinnell	Councillor Derrick Beckett Councillor Colin Fordham Councillor James Palmer Councillor Tony Parramint Councillor Hamish Ross

Report from representative(s):

One of the topics for discussion was the Assessment and Sealing of drainage Rate and Special Levy.

It is important to be part of and in tune with the matters that this body discusses and is responsible for.

Representatives for 2015/16
Councillor Derrick Beckett Councillor Ian Bovingdon Councillor James Palmer Councillor Hamish Ross Councillor Dan Schumann

PADNAL & WATERDEN INTERNAL DRAINAGE BOARD

Aims & Activities

To maintain the drainage network.

Representation	Meetings per year	Expenses paid by Organisation
Seven Members	3	By the Council

Status of Member	Insurance Provision
Board Member	Yes

Category of Officer Support	Contact Officer	Representatives for 2014/15
3	Linda Grinnell	Councillor David Ambrose Smith Councillor Tony Cornell Councillor Sheila Friend-Smith, MBE Councillor Tony Goodge Councillor Elaine Griffin-Singh Councillor Philip Read Councillor Chris Morris

Report from representative(s):

Councillor Read did not submit an annual report as he was unable to attend meetings due to ill health.

Councillor Griffin-Singh believes it would be better to have just one ECDC representative, as most of the business is specific to water related matters.

Councillor Goodge reports that topics for discussion have included efficient finance and management of land drainage, and flood management. Continued representation is worthwhile because the District Council is a large contributor to the Internal Drainage Boards' budgets.

Representatives for 2015/16
Councillor David Ambrose Smith Councillor Anna Bailey Councillor Paul Cox Councillor Tom Hunt Councillor Carol Sennitt Councillor Lisa Stubbs Vacancy

SWAFFHAM INTERNAL DRAINAGE BOARD

Aims & Activities

To maintain the drainage network.

Representation	Meetings per year	Expenses paid by Organisation
*Four Members	3	By Council

*Four Councillors, plus one nominee jointly with South Cambridgeshire District Council (SCDC makes the joint appointment by reciprocal agreement of June 1990, whereby East Cambridgeshire District Council makes the joint appointment to Waterbeach Level IDB). Appointments are for three years.

Status of Member	Insurance Provision
Board Member	Yes

Category of Officer Support	Contact Officer	Representatives for 2014/15
3	Linda Grinnell	Councillor Allen Alderson Councillor Lavinia Edwards Councillor Robert Stevens Councillor Hazel Williams, MBE

Report from representative(s):

Topics for consideration have included the budget meeting to set the levy; discussion on repairs to Upware Pump, main drain sluice and generator.

It is important to have representation because the representative has an input to setting the levy rate for the next financial year. Also IDB's are important in terms of local planning.

Being a representative gives one an understanding of how IDB's work and the vital role they play in drainage issues.

Representatives for 2015/16
Councillor Allen Alderson Councillor Michael Allan Councillor Lavinia Edwards Councillor Mathew Shuter

WATERBEACH LEVEL INTERNAL DRAINAGE BOARD

Aims & Activities

To maintain the drainage network.

Representation	Meetings per year	Expenses paid by Organisation
*One Member	3	By the Council

*One Councillor, jointly with South Cambridgeshire District Council (East Cambridgeshire makes the appointment by reciprocal agreement of June 1990, whereby South Cambridgeshire District Council makes the joint appointment to Swaffham IDB). IDB appointments are for three years.

Status of Member	Insurance Provision
Board Member	Yes

Category of Officer Support	Contact Officer	Representative for 2014/15
3	Linda Grinnell	Councillor Bill Hunt

Report from representative:

Representative for 2015/16
Councillor David Chaplin

¹ The Charity Commission provide guidance under the following link:
http://www.charity-commission.gov.uk/Charity_requirements_guidance/ccpubs3.aspx#pub

