



West Neighbourhood Panel Update

October 2013 - January 2014

**East Cambridgeshire District Council
Action Updates**

Priorities

Other Issues Raised at the Panel meeting

No.	Issue	Action Taken
1	Letter to Straw burning plant from the West Panel Chairman asking for the hauliers to use the preferred option regardless of what is said in the County Council Waste Plan.	Panel Chairman to provide oral update at meeting
2	Supply of water – previous response not adequate.	Anglian Water has been contacted and we are currently awaiting final response. Further clarification was required by Anglian Water which has now been provided.
3	Feedback on top 5 issues on SYP to the next Panel meeting.	Update from ShapeYourPlace team at Cambridgeshire County Council: There have been 19 issues since the site went live and the majority are road and traffic-related.
4	What is taken to Parish Collection sites is limited – will it will widened to be the same as the waste service?	Banks at bring sites will remain the same as these bank contracts were in place before the new service was put into place.
5	There is an EU directive to have	No, Defra released interpretation of original EU requirements that allows collection of

	recyclables collected separately. Will this mean that everyone will have to have separate bins?	commingled items in bins, provided it is not Technically, Economically or Environmentally Practical to do separate collections (referred to as TEEP) which was agreed by committee in September by ECDC.
6	The litter was not collected before the verges were cut, despite the County Council supplying the information as to when the cutting was happening to the District Council. Can ECDC investigate and resolve and explain what the policy is on this?	Information from County is not very specific with locations and dates, whilst we attempt to arrange litter picking on verges before they are cut this is not always possible but we are working with County to try to manage this issue more effectively.
7.	Having an effective policy: re-look at the two colour bag issue for dog waste bins and investigate the bins not being emptied if there are still problems. WPC would like a copy of the log that evidences when the bins are being emptied.	The alternative bag system appears to be working well, there have been fewer issues with litter and dog bins and we are waiting for an update from Veolia regarding their views of the system and the practicality of this once the Christmas/New Year day changes have been completed.
8.	Takeaway litter in Berristed Close – thought to be staff from the Harbour School.	WPC to contact the School and install a litter bin
9.	Query as to what will happen to the village collection points now that the recycling scheme has been introduced and whether the waste collected there counts towards the	Current contracts with recycling bank suppliers run for approx 2 more years and so we would not look to remove banks until this time is up as the Council would be charged for removal ahead of this. Tonnages collected through these banks do count towards the overall recycling figure.

	total cycling percentage.	
10.	Request for a Police Officer to attend the Wilburton Parish Council AGM.	WPC to e-mail/contact Insp. Ormerod to arrange.
11.	Bags at Jardines are still visible and unsightly. Can they be asked to put a hedge on the top?	Sutton Parish Council to write suggesting this.
12.	Litter bins and dog litter bins are not getting emptied regularly.	See point 7 regarding alternative bags for collections, this should reduce issues with missed collections.
13.	Waste recycling area in the Brook – can a sign go up directing people to the Recycling Centre if their unwanted items can't be left at the Brook.	Signs have been attached to banks at The Brook to make people aware items should not be left on the floor and that items can be taken to HWRC @ Witchford.
14.	Problem of straw on the pavements needs to be addressed.	Sweepers are on a set cycle to cleanse streets, any straw, etc will be removed at this time.
15.	Straw Lorries – can ECDC enforce the requirement to avoid the villages of Haddenham, Wilburton and Sutton as per the planning condition detailed in 09/00027/VAR, using the preferred route.	<p>ECDC cannot enforce the hauliers or EPR Ltd to use any given route. The requirements of the conditions were that the company made all existing (and any subsequent new) hauliers aware of the preferred route. They keep a log in accord with the condition- and remind all hauliers each year to use the preferred route (although this is not required by the planning condition) Their records are meticulous and I have no doubt the condition is being complied with.</p> <p>Government guidance warns District Councils against setting routing conditions and</p>

this is why there is nothing further for us to enforce. If there is an issue with unsafe loads it should go to the Police or to EPR who in my experience will take the matter up in earnest. It should also be remembered that not every tractor/lorry carrying straw in the Haddenham area is bound for EPR.

Fly Tipping Reports and Enforcement Actions 2013/14

West Neighbourhood Panel

Parish/Village	Reported Fly Tips												Total					
	Apr	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	March						
Aldreth	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0									
Coveney	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0									2
Earith	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0									1
Haddenham	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0									3
Little Downham	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0									2
Little Thetford	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1									1
Mepal	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	2	0									5
Pymoor	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0									0
Stretham	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1									3
Sutton	2	3	2	1	1	1	1	0	0									11
Wardy Hill	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0									0
Wentworth	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0									0
Wilburton	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0									2
Witcham	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0									0
Witchford	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0									3
Month total	4	4	3	5	3	2	5	6	2	0	34							

Total Fly Tipping Reports in East

Cambridgeshire

	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Total	Monthly Ave.
2013/14	25	14	21	17	15	23	23	21	13					
2012/13	26	24	27	25	25	13	22	19	8	20	18	32	260	21.66
2011/12	27	23	23	25	28	38	43	30	32	54	30	28	381	31.75
2010/11	47	15	35	31	33	16	28	20	19	18	30	28	320	32.20
2009/10	41	20	24	39	17	40	24	35	32	27	32	57	388	32.33
2008/09	42	19	30	37	32	30	50	28	18	47	29	37	399	33.25

Fly Tipping Enforcement Actions 2013/14 (District)

	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Total
Investigation	47	20	34	39	38	16	0	29					223
Warning letter	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					0
Statutory Notice	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					0
Fixed Penalty Notice	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					0
Duty of Care Inspection	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0					2
Stop & Search	0	12	0	0	0	0	0	0					12
Formal Caution	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					0
Formal Caution With Costs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					0
Prosecution	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					0

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	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Duty of Care Inspection	3	0	1	1	1	0	14	9	0	0	0	0	29
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	0
Formal Caution With Costs	0	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	0

Fly Tipping Enforcement Options

Investigation	Inspection of fly tip for evidence that could lead to enforcement action being taken, together with related enquiries.
Warning letter	Used where formal enforcement action is not considered appropriate as a warning of the potential consequences of further infringements.
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. An offender having admitted an offence is formerly cautioned by the Head of Service. A record is kept of the Caution for 5 years.
Formal Caution	As Formal Caution, but investigation and clear up costs are charged to the offender.
Formal Caution With Costs	Formal prosecution through the Court System.
Prosecution	

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		
Aldreth	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Coveney	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Earith	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Haddenham	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Little Downham	0	0	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	5

**Cambridgeshire County Council
Action Updates**

Priorities

None set

Other Issues Raised at the Panel meeting

No.	Issue	Action Taken
1	Balfour Beatty – difficulty in getting resolution on issues with them.	It is suggested that direct contact be made with Peta King-Parcell, the Customer Liaison Officer at Balfour Beatty, to address any concerns or raise any queries: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• E-mail: Peta.King-Parcell@bblivingplaces.com• Tel. 0800 783 8247 or 01954 233323. Any correspondence sent to Balfour Beatty should receive a response within 10 working days.
2	On-going problem of parking outside the school in Carpond Lane. Can the road be looked at with a view to adding yellow lines? Wilburton Parish Council have asked if a Highways Officer can go and inspect in school term time and feedback to the Parish Council whether they feel it is safe and	The Local Highway Officer for the area has met with the school during term time while children arrived for school. The issue has been forwarded to County Council's Policy and Regulation Team with a view to installing double yellow lines. Third-party funding maybe required.

	<p>accessible, as they haven't heard anything. Would also like to know costings for yellow lines. Police very supportive of yellow lines being installed outside the school.</p>	
3	<p>Still massive dips on Black Bank. Can more specific details be provided on the works carried out and planned to be carried out as the details on the last update were not sufficient?</p>	<p>During the current financial year a large volume of edge repairs, patching and shaping works have been carried out along Black Bank. More works are planned in the new year in an effort to remove the large dips on the Little Downham side of the level crossing.</p>
4	<p>The footpaths are not having the grass cut three times a year – please can they be cut three times a year? When is the Autumn cut due to take place?</p>	<p>The County Council currently undertakes the cutting of highway verges three times per year. The autumn cut will now have taken place</p>

**Sanctuary Housing
Action Updates**

Priorities

None set

Other Issues Raised at the Panel meeting

None raised

**East Cambridgeshire Local Policing Team
Action Updates**

Priorities

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 																								
Current Situation	<p>Proactive patrols in the area remain an ongoing priority. Arrest made and suspect on bail for dwelling burglary in Sutton.</p> <p>Crime along the A1123 / A142 Corridor has decreased, but is still being monitored.</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>Downham Villages</td> <td>3</td> <td>1</td> <td>1</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Haddenham</td> <td>6</td> <td>1</td> <td>3</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Stretham</td> <td>3</td> <td>3</td> <td>4</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Sutton</td> <td>2</td> <td>6</td> <td>4</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total</td> <td>14</td> <td>11</td> <td>12</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Acquisitive crime in the area should remain a priority – with non-dwelling burglary in more rural areas being a particular concern.</p>	Acquisitive Crime	Oct 13	Nov 13	Dec 13	Downham Villages	3	1	1	Haddenham	6	1	3	Stretham	3	3	4	Sutton	2	6	4	Total	14	11	12
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Continue or Discharge?	Continue																								

Speed checks in: the America, Sutton and early mornings in The Brook; Witchford Road, Witchford (towards Ely); Haddenham generally.

Objective	To reduce speeding in areas of local concern
Action Taken	<p>Speed checks carried out as below:</p> <p>30/09/13 – Station Road, Haddenham (08:00 – 09:00 and 16:30 – 17:30) 03/10/13 – Ely Road, Witchford (08:00 – 08:50) 21/03/13 – Station Road, Haddenham (08:00 – 09:00 and 15:00 – 16:00) 06/11/13 – Main Street, Coveney (08:00 – 09:00) 08/11/13 – The America, Sutton (08:00 – 09:00) 19/11/13 – Station Road, Haddenham (16:00 – 16:30) 29/11/13 – The America and High Street, Sutton (08:50 – 09:30) 30/11/13 – Station Road, Haddenham (15:25 – 16:00) 03/12/13 – Ely Road, Witchford (09:30 – 10:30) 03/12/13 – The Brook, Sutton (08:10 – 08:50) 29/12/13 – Wilburton (09:00 – 11:00) 31/12/13 – Sutton (11:25 – 12:30)</p> <p>As a result of this 14 drivers were given words of advice, 7 reported for speeding offences, and 1 for a criminal matter</p>
Current Situation	Speeding continues to be a concern in villages in the area
Continue or Discharge?	Continue

Other Issues Raised at the Panel meeting:

No.	Issue	Action Taken
1	A petition is being formed regarding the Traffic Calming measures and the queues they cause.	Noted
2	Speeding down the Americas, also noisy	Update as per Speeding priority
3	Dangerous parking on Ely Road	No offences observed during the course of speed enforcement activity at this location and when patrols have been passing
4	New style e-cops – can HPC still receive information about local Policing in the village?	All PCSOs are sending out eCops messaging using the new system with updates for their areas. Additional training is being rolled out to officers to ensure that messages are tailored to specific areas and interest groups.
5	2 cars parked on opposite sides of the roads on double yellow lines causing an obstruction on the Top Corner. A police car drove past on this occasion. Please can this be addressed.	Officers have been asked to pay passing attention to the junction in question, and deal with any parking offences that are observed.

Fire Service data NH Panel West; Sutton, Mepal, Haddenham, Witcham, Wentworth, Coveney, Little Downham, Witchford, Wilburton, Stretham, Little Thetford.

Ward	Month	Property Category	Property Type	Cause
Downham villages B1411 Pymore	November	Non residential	Stack	Deliberate
Downham villages Downham Road Ely	October	Non residential	Stack	Accidental
Wilburton The Orchards	October	Residential	House/Garage	Accidental
Little Thetford Holt Fen	November	Non residential	Boat	Deliberate
Wliburton Grunty Fen	December	Non residential	Barn	Accidental
Sutton The Row	October	Non residential	Muck Heap and Trailer	Accidental

Data Supplied by East Cambridgeshire neighbourhood fire crews, Ely Fire Station, Egremont Street, Ely, CB6 1AE. 01353 652907