

District report to Parish Council July 2024

This is a short report as we are in the pre-election period.

Business supports Youth Engagement Programme

Cambridge City Council and South Cambridgeshire District Council have together launched two programmes of work which set out to support market traders. The funding has come from the Government's UK Shared Prosperity Fund which is being administered by the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority. I'm very pleased to see this as I sat of the Youth Engagement task and finish group through Scrutiny.

- 20 traders in South Cambridgeshire will be able to access advice and support to enhance their current business operations, and may be eligible to apply for £1,000, grants to help develop their business.
- Meanwhile, a Youth Enterprise Support Programme will support young people who want to start their own business, to get started. The [programme](#) will work with young individuals aged 16-25 to develop essential skills, knowledge and will include opportunities to gain real market experience. Candidates will also have the opportunity to apply for £1,000 grants to transform their business ideas into local market ventures.
- Young people who are interested in the Youth Enterprise Support Programme can register to start their journey from conception to commerce at <https://nxgconnect.co.uk/youth-enterprise-programme/>
- If you have any queries on either scheme, please contact Business Support Key Projects Team Leader Katherine Southwood on Katherine.Southwood@scambs.gov.uk

Cambridge Biomedical Campus Local Councillor Forum

I intend to go to the Cambridge Biomedical Campus forum which I have attended in the past. If Cllrs have any questions please let me know. There was some very useful updates last time around the Cancer Hospital, Children's Hospital, Cambridge South Station, levels of growth, travel to the site, staff accommodation etc. Many people in the Fen Ditton and Fulbourn ward have links to this site in one way or another, including myself, having worked on the biomedical site for 20 years.

*Thank you for taking the time to read my report; if you have any questions or want to discuss any of the issues raised email me on graham.cone@councillor.online or ring 07595 361 285 (please leave a voicemail if I am unavailable) **Councillor Graham Cone***

