

## Welcome to the 15th edition of the Growth in Cambridgeshire e-newsletter

In this edition we will be updating you on a wide variety of projects that Cambridgeshire Horizons and our partners are currently working on across the County, including the launch of the new Cambridgeshire Quality Panel.

We'd be keen to hear your thoughts on our e-newsletter, so if you have any feedback please email me at [laura.halstead@cambridgeshirehorizons.co.uk](mailto:laura.halstead@cambridgeshirehorizons.co.uk).

Kind regards

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### Glebe Farm planning permission approved

On 21st April 2010 planning permission was granted for 286 new homes on the Glebe Farm development, located on the southern edge of Trumpington village in Cambridge, by the Joint Development Control Committee (subject to finalising a legal agreement with the developers, Countryside Properties).

In total 40% of the new homes at Glebe Farm will be affordable, and the developer is set to contribute over £4.2 million towards local transport, education and community infrastructure.

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### Reach Lode Bridge lifted into position

A project to link Wicken Fen to Anglesey Abbey and Bottisham has taken another step forward as a new pedestrian and cyclist bridge was lowered into place over Reach Lode. The project has been part-funded by Housing Growth Funds, and will form part of the Lodes Way - a virtually traffic free public route being created by the National Trust to improve access to green space.

The bridge itself will be officially opened at a community event on 12th September, along with a new 1.25 mile (2km) cycleway across Burwell Fen.

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### Cambridge East update

Marshall Aerospace formally announced on 1st April 2010 that they are not seeking to relocate their core business in the near future. This means plans to develop a sustainable new community on the edge of Cambridge on the site of Marshall Aerospace are now on hold for the foreseeable future. The Local Authorities are currently considering the situation.

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### Quality is key

Thousands of new homes, and associated facilities, are due to be built across Cambridgeshire over the coming years, which is why a new Quality Panel has been created. The Panel will help Cambridgeshire's Local Authorities to achieve the highest quality standards to which they all aspire.

The Cambridgeshire Quality Panel has been recruited to provide independent and objective feedback to the Local Authorities on major development sites across the County. The Panel members were selected through a rigorous recruitment process, and bring with them a broad range of experience.

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## cycle links

Work has started on a new cycle route between Babraham Road Park & Ride site and Wandlebury to provide local residents easier access to Wandlebury Park.

The project is being managed and delivered by Cambridgeshire County Council, in partnership with South Cambridgeshire District Council and Cambridge City Council, and is being paid for with £585,000 from the Housing Growth Fund, which is managed by Cambridgeshire Horizons on behalf of the Homes and Communities Agency.

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Two houses in St Ives and St Neots will be refurbished as part of the Green House project being run by Huntingdonshire District Council in partnership with BRE. Once complete, they will be used as green demonstration homes for members of the public, trade and schools.

The project aims to demonstrate cost effective refurbishment, using local suppliers and affordable, efficient products, materials and appliances. This will help to reduce the district's carbon footprint and bring homes up to a higher level of environmental performance.

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## New Housing Market Bulletin now online

The latest Housing Market Bulletin is now available to view online. The Bulletin provides a snapshot of the latest housing statistics for the Cambridge Housing Sub-region, including average house prices for each District, and has been highlighted as an example of best practice by national housing market data provider HomeTrack.

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## Fjord focus on transport and planning in Cambridgeshire

A delegation from Norway visited Cambridgeshire in April to learn more about how councils and partner organisations plan for the thousands of new homes due to be built. The 30 strong group, from the Municipality of Sandnes, included planners, transport planners, surveyors and cartographers. They learnt about the challenges facing Cambridgeshire planners as well as visiting development sites.

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