

Welcome to the Growth in Cambridgeshire E-newsletter

The Growth in Cambridgeshire E-newsletter is created to provide you with the latest news on housing growth, and associated projects, in Cambridgeshire direct to your inbox every other month.

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We hope you enjoy this edition.

Kind regards

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Housing Growth Fund cut by £6m

Plans to deliver sustainable new communities across Cambridgeshire have suffered a massive blow after a major funding stream was threatened to be cut. Communities and Local Government (CLG) ministers sent a letter to Councillor Jill Tuck, Leader of Cambridgeshire County Council, confirming its intentions to reduce the County's Housing Growth Fund (HGF) capital allocation for 2010-11 by almost £6 million.

The HGF money is used to support the delivery of much needed new homes and infrastructure across the county and significant cutbacks could now need to be made as a result of this considerable reduction in funding.

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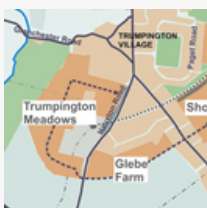


Cambridgeshire Horizons Conference

The 2009 Cambridgeshire Horizons Annual Conference welcomed over 250 delegates, 20 exhibitors and 5 speakers on Wednesday 17th June to Robinson College in Cambridge.

Kate Barker opened proceedings with her keynote speech, followed by Sir David Trippier, Horizons' Chairman, Alex Plant, Horizons' Chief Executive, John Cross, Chair of the National Housing Federation, and Wulf Daseking, Director of City Planning and Development for the City of Freiburg.

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Landmark deal to move forward development in Cambridge

A landmark deal has been struck between Cambridgeshire Horizons, the local authorities, the preferred housing association and the owners and developers of the Trumpington Meadows site, to bring forward a proposal for over a thousand new homes, a new primary school and associated community facilities, located to the south of the City.

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Work starts on Hunts Gym Club

There were celebrations in the sunshine on 28th May as friends and supporters of Huntingdon Gymnastics Club cut the first piece of turf for their extension.

Coaches and gymnasts took a break from training to watch Leader of Huntingdonshire District Council, Ian Bates, joined Huntingdon Town Councillors, Gina Cruikshank, Laine Kadic, and Tom Sanderson, in formally announcing that work is underway.

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Wicken Fen celebrates 10th Anniversary

The National Trust celebrated the 10th anniversary of the Wicken Fen Vision in style with a range of events in

Orchard Park welcomes new Community Council

Orchard Park, a new community situated on the northern edge of Cambridge, has officially welcomed

May to encourage people to enjoy the Nature Reserve. Admission was free for the weekend, and there were a host of other free activities and events included guided walks, boat trips, cycle rides, illustrated talks, bug hunts and pond dipping for the public to enjoy.

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its new Community Council. The first meeting took place on 10th June, and was attended by the Community Council members, and Cllr Dr David Bard, from South Cambridgeshire District Council.

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Cambridgeshire Together Update

The Cambridgeshire Together board has backed a new initiative called 'Making Cambs Count' which could enhance the way the partnership aims to deliver efficient and high quality public services for all communities in Cambridgeshire. The new approach would provide Cambridgeshire Together with the unique opportunity to look closely at what the partnership really aspires to deliver for and with communities across the County and how it can best use its total resources to deliver our shared vision.

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Water under the spotlight

Water will be the focus of two new Water Cycle Strategies being undertaken by Cambridgeshire Horizons, in conjunction with Cambridge City Council, East Cambridgeshire District Council, and Fenland District Council.

The strategies will identify the water services infrastructure that is needed to support and enable sustainable development, what infrastructure is needed, when it is required, how much it will cost, and who should pay.

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