

Cllr Lorna Dupré

MONTHLY REPORT MAY 2023

FULL COUNCIL

By-elections

Two County Council by-elections took place on Thursday 4 May alongside the District Council elections: one for Soham South & Haddenham (East Cambridgeshire) and the other for Arbury (Cambridge). Neither seat changed hands. The County Council member for Burwell, Josh Schumann, has been removed from the Conservative group for standing against his own party. The new composition of the County Council is therefore as follows.

- Conservatives 26
- Liberal Democrats 22
- Labour 9
- Independent 3
- Non-aligned 1

Full Council meeting

The Annual Council meeting will take place on Tuesday 16 May. The business will include five motions for debate.

- Child care in new developments (Cllr Firouz Thompson)
 - Cambourne to Cambridge busway (Cllr Steve Count)
 - Care leavers (Cllr Bryony Goodliffe)
 - Cycle networks (Cllr Ros Hathorn)
 - Highways maintenance (Cllr Alan Sharp)
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HIGHWAYS & TRANSPORT

Pothole funding

Cambridgeshire County Council has received an additional £3.617 million to help tackle road repairs and potholes. There has been a significant increase in potholes since the winter, with 10,000 potholes recorded as requiring repair and 2,700 being fixed in a week. This compares to last year's 5,000 potholes and 1,200 fixed per week.

The extra funding will allow for a new proactive approach enabling the council to use new technology to 'find, record and fix' minor surface issues before they develop into potholes.

The extra money will also allow for more crews on the ground. Normally, four crews and two dragon patchers are available across the county; now, eight crews and five dragon patchers are working hard to repair potholes.

West Fen Road

West Fen Road remains closed between Coveney and the A10 while the Internal Drainage Board repairs a collapsed culvert.

MEET YOUR COUNCILLOR

Surgery arrangements for 2023/24 remain to be confirmed and will be advertised on social media. Meanwhile, I can be contacted

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