



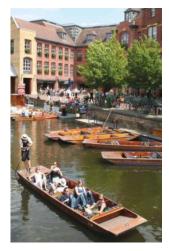




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## The New Local Plans for Cambridge and South Cambridgeshire









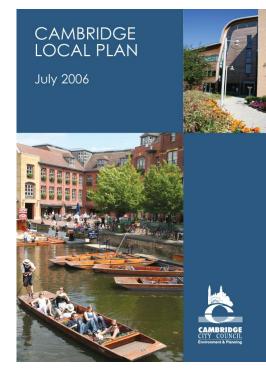
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## Why we have to produce new Local plans



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#### New Local Plans for Cambridge and South Cambridgeshire



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#### Working together to develop a united vision:

- Started spring 2011
- Duty to Co-operate approach of political governance and significant joint working at officer level
- County wide agreed Memorandum of Co-operation, Spatial approach and SHMA update conclusions including identification of needs as required by the NPPF
- Joint consultations for all three stages
- Joint issues dealt with e.g. Fringe sites, Cambridge East





- Over 38,000 comments from issues & options stages
- Support for more homes and strong economic growth, but concern about the compatibility of growth with maintaining environmental quality.
- The need to work jointly
- Support for protection of Green Belt on edge of Cambridge
- General support for concentrating development in new settlements and better served villages – recognising need for appropriate infrastructure

#### **Overarching strategy approach for Cambridge & South Cambridgeshire**

#### Cambridge B. CB1 C. Addenbrooke's Guided Buswa D. Orchard Park Μ F. NIAB AIA G. West Cambridge H. Cambridge East D Α I. Clay Farm F AIA A428 Е 0 K. Glebe Farm Ν G Н New Settlement L. Northstowe В 0008 2 1 A1198 **Cambridge** "A ★ Retail Site A603 PIOCIA Housing Site New Settlements A1301 M. 31) N. A505

#### **Current Development Strategy**

- A. Cambridge Northern Fringe East
- Edge of Cambridge
- E. North West Cambridge
- (Airport no longer deliverable by 2031)
- J. Trumpington Meadows

#### **Proposed Development Strategy** (additional sites)

- Edge of Cambridge
- C Employment Site
- Waterbeach New Town
- Bourn Airfield New Village
- O. Cambourne West





#### New and old Local Plan strategy approaches – comparative distribution of development



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|   |                           | Structure<br>Plan 1999<br>to 2016 | %   | New<br>Strategy<br>2011 - 2031 | %   |
|---|---------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----|--------------------------------|-----|
|   | Cambridge Urban<br>Area   | 8900                              | 27  | 6,504                          | 19  |
|   | Cambridge Fringe<br>Sites | 8000                              | 25  | 12,219                         | 36  |
| - | New Settlements           | 6,000                             | 18  | 10,335                         | 31  |
|   | Villages                  | 9,600                             | 30  | 4,748                          | 14  |
|   | TOTAL                     | 32,500                            | 100 | 33,806                         | 100 |



## The Local Plan Vision For Cambridge





- Compact City form
   and character –
   Cambridge is special
- Quality of life and place and clear relationship with economic success
- Quality in new development
- Meeting needs
- Plan led future
- Sustainable development and caring growth

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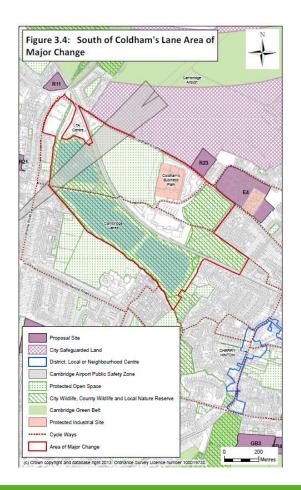


#### Areas of major change, opportunity areas and site specific proposals



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- City Centre improvements, including public realm strategy
- Continuation of existing Areas of Major Change
- Area Action Plan for Northern Fringe East
- Cambridge East safeguarded post-2031
- New Areas of Major Change at the Grafton, South of Coldham's Lane and Clifton Road
- Introduction of Opportunity Areas, e.g. Mitcham's Corner
- Release of four sites from the Cambridge Green Belt for housing (GB1 & GB2) and employment (GB3 & GB4)





## **Climate Change and Managing Resources**



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Enhanced coverage of a range of sustainability issues:

- Climate change adaptation
- Better water management and conservation
- Energy efficiency in existing dwellings
- Works to heritage assets to address climate change
- Managing the paving over of front gardens





## Supporting the Cambridge economy



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- Removal of selective management of the economy approach
- More positive approach to managing development of tutorial colleges and language schools
- Continuing support for the growth of the universities
- Green Belt release for sites adjacent to Peterhouse Technology Park





## Maintaining a balanced supply of housing

- Continuing requirement for 40% affordable housing for schemes over 15 units
- Lowered threshold requirement for affordable housing (between 2 and 14 units)
- Removal of allowance for student housing in lieu of affordable housing
- New policies on housing for people with specific needs, residential space standards, Lifetime Homes standards and residential moorings



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#### Protecting Cambridge's character and providing services and local facilities



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Policies to protect and enhance quality of life and place:

- Tall buildings and the skyline
- Local heritage assets
- Protection and provision of open space
- Changes to district, local and neighbourhood centres
- Protection of public houses
- Protection and provision of community facilities
- New policies on education and healthcare facilities





# **Providing infrastructure to support development**



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- Policies on mitigating transport impacts of development
- Car and cycle parking standards for different types of development
- Aviation development at Cambridge Airport
- Infrastructure delivery through planning obligations and the Community Infrastructure Levy



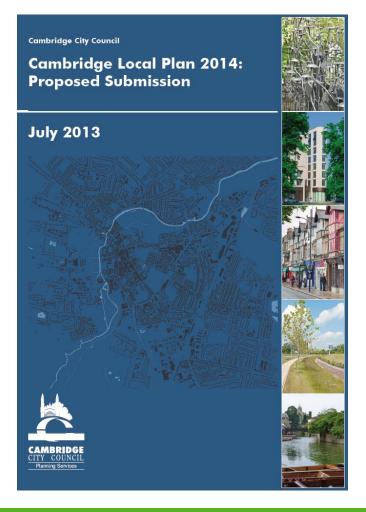


# **Next Steps**

- Consultation between 19 July and 30 September 2013
- Plan and associated documents go through committees in Winter 2013/2014
- Submission in Spring 2014
- Examination in Spring/Summer 2014
- Adoption in Winter 2014/2015









## **Forthcoming exhibitions**



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| Date                             | Time           | Location   |  |
|----------------------------------|----------------|--|--|
| Monday 22 July                   | 2.30 to 7.30pm | Trumpington Pavilion*                                    |  |
| Tuesday 23 July                  | 2.30 to 7.30pm | Guildhall – Large Hall*                                  |  |
| Wednesday 24 July                | 2.30 to 7.30pm | Cambridge United Football Ground - Dublin Suite*         |  |
| Friday 26 July                   | 2.30 to 7.30pm | Great Shelford Memorial Hall**                           |  |
| Friday 26 July                   | 2.30 to 7.30pm | Large Meeting Room, Cherry Hinton Village Centre**       |  |
| Monday 29 July                   | 2.30 to 7.30pm | Wolfson College – Seminar Room*                          |  |
| Wednesday 31 July                | 2.30 to 7.30pm | Meadows Community Centre**                               |  |
| Tuesday 27 August                | 2.30 to 7.30pm | The Hall, Castle Street Methodist Church*                |  |
| Wednesday 28 August              | 2.30 to 7.30pm | The Hall, Queen Emma Primary School, Gunhild Way*        |  |
| Wednesday 4 September            | 2.30 to 7.30pm | Guildhall – Large Hall*                                  |  |
| Thursday 5 September             | 2.30 to 7.30pm | Histon and Impington Village College**                   |  |
| Friday 6 September               | 2.30 to 7.30pm | Brown's Fields Youth & Community Centre, Green End Road* |  |
| Saturday 7 September 11am to 5pm |                | Bharat Bhavan, Mill Road (Old Library)*                  |  |

\* Cambridgeshire County Council transport officers will be attending all our exhibitions.

\*\* South Cambridgeshire District Council planning officers will be attending a number of our exhibitions.



# **Tests of Soundness**



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Local Plans are required to meet tests of soundness and should be:

- Positively prepared
- Justified
- Effective
- Consistent with national policy





## South Cambridgeshire Proposed Submission Local Plan



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Plan for 2011 to 2031

Vision:

'South Cambridgeshire will continue to be the best place to live, work and study in the country. Our district will demonstrate impressive and sustainable economic growth. Our residents will have a superb quality of life in an exceptionally beautiful, rural and green environment.'

Homes and jobs: 22,000 jobs & 19,000 homes 14,000 Homes already planned, 5000 on new sites





# Strategy for South Cambridgeshire

- Limited additional growth on edge of Cambridge
- Focus on new settlements:
  - Northstowe
  - Cambourne
  - Waterbeach New Town
  - Bourn Airfield New Village
- Limited village growth, in better served villages



# **Edge of Cambridge**



#### Edge of Cambridge:

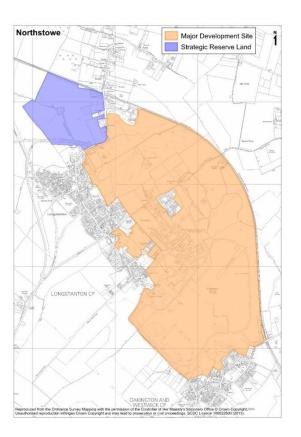
- NIAB no increase in the number of homes but slightly larger site (SCDC area)
- Cambridge East remain out of Green Belt and Airport safeguarded for potential longer term development. Development north of Newmarket Road & North of Cherry Hinton (SCDC and City Council)
- Near ARM, Fulbourn Road extensions to Peterhouse Technology Park (SCDC and City Council)
- Science Park support for densification (SCDC area)
- Northern Fringe East Area Action Plan for area around new Science Park Station (SCDC and City Council)



## Northstowe



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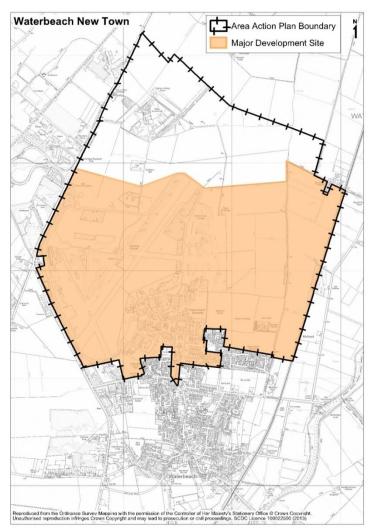
- 9,500 dwellings
- First houses on site 2014, and 6000 by 2031
- Local Plan enables development of Strategic Reserve
- No extra homes but greater flexibility



## Waterbeach New Town



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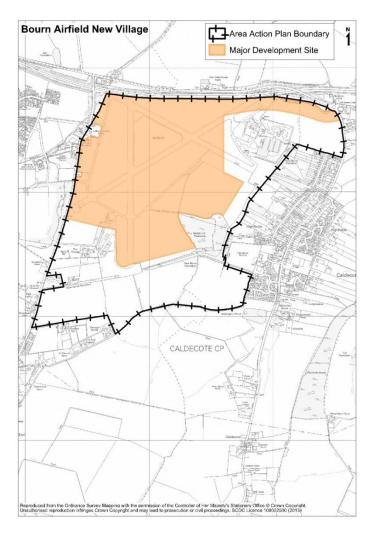
- 8,000 9,000 dwellings
- First houses on site 2026, and 1400 by 2031

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# **Bourn Airfield**





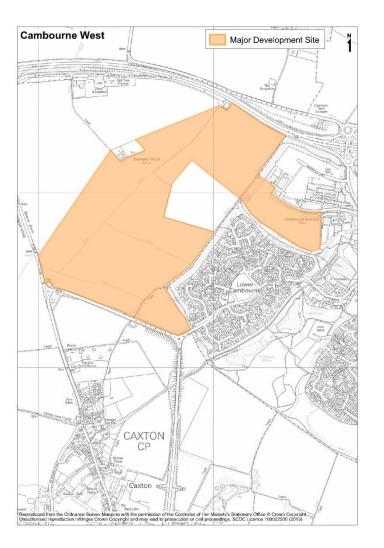
- 3,500 dwellings
- First houses on site 2022, and 1700 by 2031



## **Cambourne West**



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- 1,200 dwellings
- First houses on site 2016

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**Village Sites** 



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# 900 homes at sustainable villages to provide flexibility:

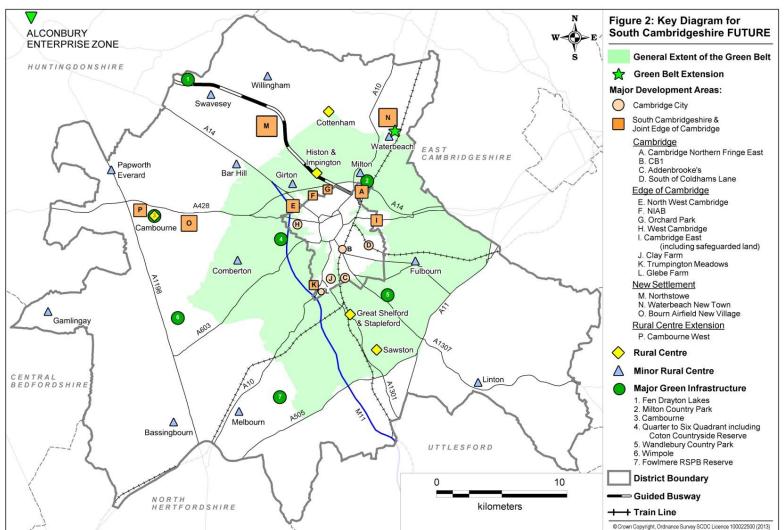
- SAWSTON 3 sites with a capacity of 540 homes
- HISTON & IMPINGTON 1 site with a capacity of 25 homes
- MELBOURN 1 site with a capacity of 65 homes
- GAMLINGAY 1 site with a capacity of 90 homes
- WILLINGHAM 1 site with a capacity of 50 homes
- COMBERTON 1 site with a capacity of 90 homes



#### South Cambridgeshire Key Diagram



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- 40% affordable housing requirement, on sites of 3 or more dwellings
- Increased flexibility to support economic development
- High quality design
- Climate change adaption and mitigation
- Protecting and enhancing natural and historic environment
- Working with Parish Councils
- Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL)



# **Exhibitions**



#### **SEPTEMBER**

- 19th Sawston, Spicers Pavilion
- 22<sup>nd</sup> Linton Village College
- 22<sup>nd</sup> Trumpington Pavilion\*
- 24<sup>th</sup> Comberton Village Hall
- 25<sup>th</sup> Waterbeach Primary School
- 26<sup>th</sup> Great Shelford Memorial Hall
- 26<sup>th</sup> Cherry Hinton Village Centre\*
- 29th Bar Hill Village Hall
- 30<sup>th</sup> Cambourne The Hub
- 31<sup>st</sup> Cottenham Village College
- 31<sup>st</sup> Meadows Community Centre\* C

3<sup>rd</sup> Caldecote Village Hall
4<sup>th</sup> Gamlingay Village College
5<sup>th</sup> Histon & Impington Village

College 9<sup>th</sup> Melbourn All Saints Comr

2<sup>nd</sup> Sawston Spicers Pavilion

9<sup>th</sup> Melbourn All Saints Community Hall

10<sup>th</sup> Swavesey Village College

\* Joint exhibitions with Cambridge City Council

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# What Happens Next?



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Proposed Submission Local Plan public 19 July - 30 consultation September 2013

Submission of Local Plan to SecretarySpring 2014of StatePublic Examination of Local Plan bySummer / Autumnindependent planning inspector2014

Receipt of Inspectors Report, consider Spring / recommendations and adopt the Local Summer 2015 Plan