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Report for Parish Councils – September 2020.

Cambridgeshire County Report

Schools Return Plan

I have circulated the return to schools plan from Jonathan Lewis.

<https://www.cambslearntogether.co.uk/asset-library/Welcome-Back-to-School.pdf>

This is the guidance on transport.



**IMPORTANT
INFORMATION ABOUT
SCHOOL TRANSPORT
FROM SEPTEMBER 2020**

Ph: 0345 045 5208
edtransport@cambridgeshire.gov.uk
www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/education/transport

Passenger Transport Operations Team
childrenstransport@peterborough.gov.uk
01733 317 455

BOARDING OR LEAVING THE BUS

- Only one person should board the bus at a time
- Pupils should have their bus pass ready to show the driver as they board the bus, and if aged 11+ have their face covering in place
- Pupils should find their seat and remain there, facing forward, for the whole journey
- When arriving at the school or stop, pupils should remain seated and only disembark when instructed.
- Pupils should allow at least a 1 metre space between other pupils where possible
- On arrival at school, students should disembark the bus starting with those seated at the front, with those at the back being last to leave. When loading, those at the back should enter first.

BUS PASSES, ENSURE CORRECT BUS AND STOP ARE USED

- Ensure your child accesses the correct bus and stop, as shown on their bus pass
- Changes to your child's transport may have been implemented this year in response to COVID guidance
- No changes will be made to bus passes, unless there is a genuine reason. To action this, email your request. If this is agreed you will be informed how to get it changed

BEHAVIOUR

- During the current COVID 19 situation for the safety of all those travelling on school transport we need you and your child's co-operation and compliance with these requirements
- Behaviour that does not meet the requirements above or does not meet the standard stated in the Code of Conduct presents a higher level of risk to service users and transport staff
- In cases where we have evidence of deliberate acts of misbehaviour, this could lead to the withdrawal of school transport for your child.
- Please ensure your child understands what is required of them and supervise/instruct them accordingly

C19 Mobile Testing

Mobile testing units are in place across Cambridgeshire this week to make it as easy as possible for people to get tested if they have coronavirus symptoms.

Testing will be carried out at Chapel Road Car Park in Wisbech on Wednesday, 2 September and Sunday, 6 September, as well as at The Hive Leisure Centre, Ely on Thursday, 3 September and Sunday 6 September. A new testing site is also available at One Leisure in

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Huntingdon on Wednesday, 2 September and Friday, 4 September. There may be other test centres in the future. Obviously these are only in areas with rising infection rates.

Solar Panel Offers

Registration opens on solar panels offer for Cambridgeshire residents

Households across Cambridgeshire can now register for the chance to club together to buy and install solar panels at a reduced price. The County Council and District Councils have joined forces with Solar Together as part of the initiative to improve energy efficiency and reduce carbon emissions.

Households and small and medium-sized enterprises can now register - for free and without obligation - for the group-buying scheme by visiting the website

www.solartogether.co.uk/cambridgeshire

When they register online for their complete solar PV system, applicants will be asked questions about their house, roof, and electricity usage.

The County Council will then arrange an auction with pre-vetted installers on 6 October. The auction is a reverse auction, meaning the lowest bid wins. The winning bid sets the price for all solar systems and battery systems. All installers are pre-vetted and must comply with certain criteria to guarantee the quality of the offer.

After the auction, applicants will receive a personal recommendation based on their registration details. They then have six weeks to decide if they want to take up the recommendation and proceed with an installation.

Solar panels turn sunlight into electricity. In order to use this energy, the panels mounted on a roof need to be connected to an inverter using cables. The Solar Together offer is for a complete service, including all equipment, survey, installation, monitoring and warranties. Afterwards households or businesses will automatically generate their own electricity from the panels on their roof.

Households that already have solar panels installed can also register to have battery storage added to their existing solar panels to maximise the benefits of their system.

Chairman's Recognition

Individuals, businesses and community groups who have tirelessly supported those in need since the start of lockdown are to be officially recognised as part of a new initiative.

Councillor Mac McGuire, Chairman of Cambridgeshire County Council, recently announced a monthly scheme to highlight the sterling work of those who have helped communities across the county during the Covid-19 pandemic.

The scheme is expected to run for at least six months with all councillors asked to put forward suggestions each month of people in their wards whose efforts since March, are worthy of receiving an official Chairman's Commendation.

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During the first week of every month the council will issue a special certificate and their details will be published in an online roll of honour on the council website.

Full details of each Member's nomination can be seen now on the [council's website](#).

Peter McDonald

Sep 6th 2020.