

## Cambridge City Council. Some examples of its contribution to improving the wellbeing of communities in Cambridge

<b><i>Council Responsibility</i></b>	<b><i>Contribution to Improving Well-being</i></b>
<p data-bbox="188 284 320 316"><b>Housing</b></p> <p data-bbox="188 357 490 427"><b>City Homes:</b> <i>Robert Hollingsworth</i></p> <p data-bbox="188 579 477 649"><b>Strategic Housing:</b> <i>Alan Carter</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="584 320 1532 352">• Providing council houses for those in need and <b>housing the homeless</b></li> <li data-bbox="584 392 1989 456">• Supporting <b>tenants and leaseholder groups</b> so that they can contribute to management of the delivery of housing services</li> <li data-bbox="584 496 2018 592">• Investing in our housing stock to improve its <b>energy efficiency and tackle fuel poverty</b>, and to provide high quality personal hygiene facilities; we also have a role in promoting health &amp; safety standards in the private sector housing dealing with damp and cold and unsafe properties.</li> <li data-bbox="584 632 1980 695">• As the strategic housing authority we work with Housing Associations and through the planning process to deliver more <b>affordable housing</b>.</li> <li data-bbox="584 735 2018 831">• We promote <b>high environmental and accessible standards</b> in new affordable housing. For example, all of the new affordable housing on the growth sites will be level 4 of the Code for Sustainable Housing and at least 2% will be fully wheelchair accessible.</li> <li data-bbox="584 871 2011 967">• We run <b>sheltered housing</b> schemes and support the most vulnerable tenants with specialist care (and work in partnership to do more – Richard Newcombe was opened earlier in the year as an “extra care” scheme for frail elderly – built by Cambridge Housing Society on land provided by the City Council.</li> <li data-bbox="584 1007 1995 1070">• We run targeted projects working with <b>rough sleepers</b>, including support to voluntary sector providers, e.g. Wintercomfort, Jimmy’s Night Shelter</li> <li data-bbox="584 1110 1966 1206">• Home Aid is the City Council’s version of a home improvement agency that is set up to support older and other vulnerable people to remain in their homes as long as possible by facilitating <b>repairs or carry out adaptations</b> to their homes. We have set up a shared service with South Cambs DC and Hunts DC.</li> </ul>
<p data-bbox="188 1289 338 1359"><b>Planning:</b> <i>Patsy Dell</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="584 1289 1397 1321">• Agreeing <b>strategic plans</b> that shape development in the city.</li> <li data-bbox="584 1361 927 1393">• Controlling development</li> </ul>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Good <b>design</b> standards</li> <li>• Planning for new <b>health and community facilities</b> in growth areas</li> <li>• Local needs assessment as part of neighbourhood development</li> </ul>
<b><i>Environmental Health:</i></b> <i>Jas Lally</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provision of <b>pest</b> control services to deal with public health pests such as rats, mice, bedbugs</li> <li>• Dealing with filthy and verminous homes, people and possessions, including hoarders and properties that are a fire risk.</li> <li>• Food and health and safety <b>licensing</b></li> <li>• <b>Health &amp; Safety</b> in the commercial workplace, including the investigation of serious accidents</li> <li>• Responsibility for food safety and <b>advisory</b> services on healthy eating and enforcement of smoke free regulations and advising on smoking cessation services</li> <li>• Responsibility for infectious <b>disease</b> control and investigations into food poisoning</li> <li>• Responsibility for <b>alcohol</b> entertainment and <b>gambling</b> licensing and working in partnership with community safety and alcohol reduction strategies.</li> </ul>
<b><i>Pollution:</i></b> <i>Jas Lally</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Air</b> - City Council has an air quality action plan, as part of which we are working to promote cleaner fuel vehicles, both with taxi operators and with the County Council re: buses</li> <li>• We have a preventative role on “permitted processes”, which covers major operations such as Addenbrooke’s incinerator and Marshalls spray-painting, which we regulate</li> </ul>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Water</b> – we take enforcement action against those who pollute water and land, and work closely with the Environment Agency</li> <li>• <b>Noise</b> pollution – we promote responsible behaviour and take enforcement action against those who breach noise pollution regulations</li> </ul>
<p><b><i>Arts and Recreation:</i></b> <i>Debbie Kaye</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In addition to the <b>GP referral scheme</b> (which should be well-known to GPs and provides for them to prescribe subsidised exercise sessions at our leisure centres), we:</li> <li>• Provide programmes for the <b>disabled</b>, including “goal ball” (a sport activity for the visually impaired), trampolining and horse riding</li> <li>• Put on “street games” sessions for <b>young people</b>, including basketball and BMX</li> <li>• Run the “<b>Forever Active</b>” programme of exercise classes for the over-50s, ranging from pilates to seated exercise to zumba</li> <li>• Support local <b>sports clubs and volunteers</b>; and</li> <li>• Run school sports activities and the annual “<b>youth games</b>”</li> <li>• We have a major programme of activity in 2012 to take advantage of the opportunity provided by the <b>Olympic</b> games to promote physical activity</li> </ul>
<p><b><i>Community Safety:</i></b> <i>Alan Carter</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Work with partners to <b>reduce crime</b> and disorder</li> <li>• ASB <b>case workers</b> acting on specific cases of ASB with victims and perpetrators</li> <li>• <b>CCTV</b> – general role in public safety and night-time economy</li> </ul>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tackling <b>domestic violence</b></li> <li>• Safer City <b>grants</b> scheme for helping community solutions to crime and safety issues</li> <li>• Support to <b>street pastors</b> scheme – night-time support to people who are drunk/vulnerable</li> </ul>
<b><i>Licensing</i></b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Alcohol licenses</li> <li>• Creating <b>cumulative impact zone</b></li> </ul>
<b><i>Community Development:</i></b> <i>Trevor Woollams</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Community centres</b>, e.g. Meadows, Browns Field, Buchan Street (a Healthy Living Centre)</li> <li>• Neighbourhood Community Development</li> <li>• ChYPPs – general <b>play</b> activities and targeted schemes (e.g. work to deter high risk behaviour and promoting healthy eating, etc.</li> <li>• Work with <b>older</b> people, e.g. Cambridgeshire Celebrates Age, tea dances</li> <li>• Priority areas include <b>vulnerable</b> communities - people with disabilities, engaging black and minority ethnic residents, older and younger people, and those on low incomes</li> <li>• Extensive voluntary sector <b>grants</b> programme</li> <li>• Knowledge of local communities (Mapping Poverty research and direct contact with groups) and support for Neighbourhood projects, such as walking groups from community centres.</li> </ul>
<b><i>Local Transport Management:</i></b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Promoting cycling and walking</li> </ul>

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<b><i>HR and employment policies</i></b> <i>Deborah Simpson</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To support health of our <b>employees</b>, e.g. counselling service, smoking cessation</li> </ul>
<b><i>Provision of Council Tax benefit and Housing benefit</i></b> <i>Alison Cole</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Promoting take up of <b>benefits</b> and giving advice on claims</li> <li>• Prioritising groups that will receive Council Tax Benefit under a locally managed scheme</li> </ul>
<b><i>Streets and Open Spaces</i></b> <i>Toni Ainley</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Providing a local environment that is clean and pleasant, which can be enjoyed by local people. This includes recreation grounds, nature reserves, parks, playgrounds and paddling pools.</li> </ul>
<b><i>Corporate Strategy</i></b> <i>Andrew Limb</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Carrying out Equality Impact Assessment of services to ensure that groups of people are not excluded</li> <li>• Improving participation in the Council's decision-making and providing open forums where local people can "have their say" about issues that affect their well-being.</li> </ul>