

June 2024 Update from Cllr Heather Williams

Leader of the Conservative Group at South Cambridgeshire District Council

Rural England Prosperity Grant

The application window for the Rural England Prosperity Grant has now closed. We look forward to seeing which community projects are allocated funding and trust these projects will enhance life for residents in South Cambs.

As part of this funding, the council has also already allocated funds to an Improving Green Spaces Project; a project to support new and growing businesses; funding to develop a café and gym in Northstowe; and a Cambourne footpath accessibility project. We are pleased that the outgoing central government's investment into our area is being put to great use for communities.

New grants for community groups

We are encouraging community groups to apply for several new grants that have become available in order to help improve community cohesion in South Cambridgeshire.

- **Community growing projects** – parish or town councils, community groups and schools are all eligible for grants of up to £500 to set up community gardens. For more information and how to apply, please visit the [webpage](#).
- **Northstowe Community Activation Fund** – £120,000 of grant funding is available to help promote community cohesion in Northstowe. Parish or town councils and non-profit organisations can apply – please do visit the council's [webpage](#) for more information.

Regulated period

Due to the regulated period during the general election, there have been fewer announcements and communications than usual. Now that the regulated period is over, we intend to continue with business as normal.

Thank you for reading our report. If we can be of any assistance, please do get in touch.

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