

# From your Councillors

## District Councillor Tom Bygott

### Duxford Air Show completion winners

Two families will be winging their way to Duxford Air Show next month after scooping family tickets in South Cambridgeshire District Council's residents' magazine competition. Laura Potter from Swavesey and Jaymes Sinclair from Girton won the prizes donated by IWM Duxford after being drawn from hundreds of entries.

The two winners will be taking their families to the air show being held on Saturday 7 and Sunday 8 September which features an amazing array of aerial displays as well as contemporary jet aircraft and historic war birds. The magazine is delivered free and each edition features a free prize giveaway. Mr Sinclair, 27, from Wellbrook Way, Girton, said: 'It was real surprise to receive the call saying I'd won the competition as it's not often you win anything. We're really looking forward to the day out at the air show.'

### Launch of a Warm Homes Strategy

Launch of a Warm Homes Strategy aimed to tackle fuel poverty and improve the environmental performance of our properties. We have already fitted 1,000 homes with solar PV in a public private partnership and will have fitted a further 1,000 by end of the year. We have also installed airsource heat pumps and external cladding. The total programme including value of PV partnership equates to around £25M over 5 years.

### Bin collections

Bin collections in South Cambridgeshire have been given a big thumbs up, with 97% of residents agreeing that the service is as good as, or better than, 12 months ago. The South Cambridgeshire District Council satisfaction survey showed that, overall, 89% of residents are satisfied with the service, a one per cent increase from 2011. Householders were also asked what could be done to improve the service, with the largest number of comments calling for an increase in the capacity of green and blue bins so that residents can recycle even more.

Asked about their local environment, dog poo not being picked up was highlighted as an issue of concern by 52% of respondents, however the majority of those who had reported incidents were satisfied with the Council's response. When it comes to dog fouling, we rely on residents to tell us where this is an issue. We can investigate persistent problems and are able to issue warnings and fixed penalty notices to irresponsible dog owners who fail to clear up after their dog. We'll also look at whether there are enough dog poo bins available, although this can never excuse people not clearing up after their pet.

Residents who want to report persistent dog fouling problems in their local area can report it here: [www.scambs.gov.uk/form-type/report-it](http://www.scambs.gov.uk/form-type/report-it)

If I can be of help please contact me.

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