

- Interim Community Facilities for Northstowe have been announced by the Council and will be on the site of the current Taylor Wimpey sales office. The two homes and the sales office will be modified for use by community groups with all activities that were previously taken place at The Community Wing in mind. Subject to change of use being approved, the Council will begin works to adapt the homes for community use as soon as possible after they are handed over. It is anticipated that the purchase will complete in October this year (2022) and will be available for use by the community early 2023. Once the planning application is published, residents will be able to put forward their views on the temporary plans for the buildings. The Town Council will be a statutory consultee, as it is for all planning applications in their area, on the Change of Use planning application. The District Council has been working with Northstowe's community groups that currently hold events and classes in the Wing to put plans in place which will see them temporarily operate from other rooms and spaces at the Pathfinder Primary School and Northstowe Secondary College until the interim accommodation becomes available.
- Please note the date change for the next Community Forum which will be held on 26th July in person at Northstowe Secondary College. The forum will start with a one-hour drop-in session from 6 p.m. when residents can approach the various participating agencies to ask their questions. As previously, we will also be collating questions prior to the event and these will be addressed during the forum and published on our website afterwards.
- The Community Development Officers will start delivering Welcome Packs again and will soon look to recruit volunteers to help us with this. We are aiming to knock on residents' doors from Wednesday 15th June and have an informal chat and introduction.
- The Community Development Officers will start a Walk and Talk monthly session where residents can join us for a walk around town to discuss all things Northstowe. A trial session will take place on the 6th July, more details will be published on social media closer to the time.
- We are supporting Smart Journeys at their upcoming event: Wheelie Green Day which is meant to encourage sustainable travel options. The event will take place on 2nd July from 11am – 2pm on the Green and will promote active travel (walking and cycling) and other sustainable travel (bus, train, e-car club) to and from Northstowe. Smart Journeys have invited along various agencies which will be available to answer questions on the day: Stagecoach, Decathlon, local police officers and cycle suppliers.