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June 2026

Planning Update

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Draft Greater Cambridge Local Plan

Website: [Greater Cambridge Local Plan](#)

Key Themes:

- Climate change
- Biodiversity and green spaces
- Great places
- Well-being and social inclusion
- Homes
- Jobs
- Infrastructure

Next Steps:

Summer 2026 – Proposed Submission public consultation.

December 2026 – Submission to Secretary of State.





A Development Corporation for Greater Cambridge

[Website: Greater Cambridge gets regeneration body to accelerate growth - GOV.UK](#)

[Initial response to government's Development Corporation for Greater Cambridge - Cambridge City Council](#)

[South Cambs District Council: Council warns that government's urban development corporation risks sidelining local communities](#)

A screenshot of a GOV.UK press release page. The page has a blue header with the GOV.UK logo. Below the header, there is a breadcrumb trail: 'Home > Housing, local and community'. The main content area is white and contains the text 'Press release' followed by the title 'Greater Cambridge gets regeneration body to accelerate growth'. Below the title, there is a paragraph of text: 'A new Development Corporation will give Greater Cambridge the powers and certainty to deliver infrastructure-first growth at scale.' At the bottom of the page, there is a line of text: 'From: Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government and The Rt Hon Steve Reed OBE MP' and a date: 'Published 2 June 2026'.

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Press release

Greater Cambridge gets regeneration body to accelerate growth

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Published 2 June 2026

Cambridge East: A New Chapter Begins

www.cambridgeeast.com

Take-off for one of UK's largest urban extensions



INSIDE
Four pages of
analysis and
reaction
pages 6-7, 8-9

■ 10,000+ homes ■ 3m sq ft commercial space ■ 9,000 jobs
■ Government confirms development corporation to accelerate growth



Transformational Cambridge East land acquisition to unlock a new community of 10,000+ homes, 9,000 jobs and significant economic growth

East West Rail Proposals

Explore the route

Learn more about how different communities along the route will benefit from East West Rail.



East West Rail's 24/7 train care centre 'will destroy village'

Packed public meeting hears concerns

By Mike Scialom
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East West Railway Co's plan to build an enormous train cleaning centre on green belt in Fulbourn will "destroy the village", a packed public meeting heard.

The Save Fulbourn Action Group claims the industrial-scale development is entirely "unsuitable" for the site - raising fears over noise and intrusive lighting from the around-the-clock operation and the environmental impact it would have, including on the countryside and waterways.

Group leader James Colyer, a parish councillor, drew gasps from the audience of more than 200 residents gathered at Townley Memorial Hall on Sunday (31 May) when he told them: "The East West Rail documentation shows the train care centre will be one-third the size of Fulbourn."

"The site would be in operation 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, according to East West Rail's own documentation. The centre would be open for the next 20 years, according to the plan."

limited time to respond before the latest consultation on the planned Oxford-Cambridge railway line closes on Tuesday (9 June), although the group's petition has already attracted around 1,000 signatures.

Chris Colyer said: "The most important date is 9 June - that's when the consultation with East West Rail ends, and is the last opportunity to fill in an approval form, so please sign the petition. The response has been phenomenal already."

"The most important thing is to feed back to East West Rail that we don't want this centre here, and for them to find another alternative."

Government 'must explain its development corporation plans'

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from among the 50 other sites." Elaine Wilson, from the action group, described the process which resulted in Fulbourn being selected as the potential site.

www.eastwestrail.co.uk

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Thousands take part in East West Rail's latest consultation

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Bus Service Update



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SPRINGSTEAD VILLAGE (LAND NORTH CHERRY HINTON)

JUNE 2026

CAMBRIDGE EAST COMMUNITY FORUM

David Fletcher, Ceres Property

Bellway



LATIMER
by Clarion Housing Group

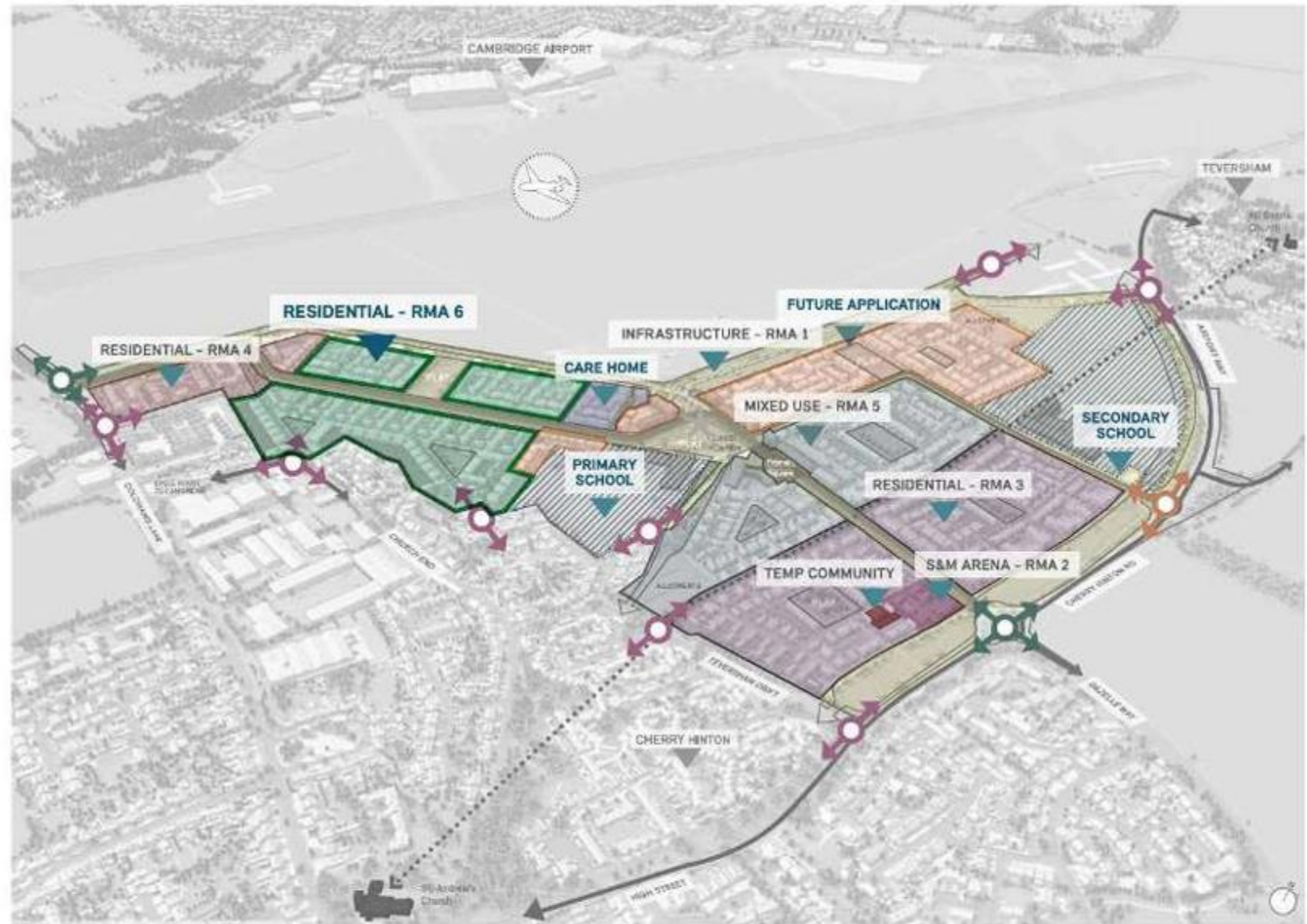
CERES
PROPERTY

MASTERPLAN

- ❑ RMAs 2-5 include 779 homes and non-residential buildings.
- ❑ RMA 6 will provide approximately 355 homes, subject to further testing. Including this application, the total number of homes will be 1,134.
- ❑ Development testing for future detailed full application will occur in parallel with RMA 6.
- ❑ Care home (66 bed), Primary and Secondary schools will form three separate planning applications by others.
- ❑ The exact total number of homes will be confirmed once the target applications have been further tested and developed.

KEY

	RMA 1 - Infrastructure
	RMA 2 - Sales & Marketing Arena
	RMA 3 - Residential
	RMA 4 - Residential
	Temporary community facility
	RMA 5 - Mixed Uses
	RMA 6 - Residential
	Care home facility (application by others)
	Future full detailed application
	Primary School (application by others)
	Secondary School (application by others)
	Pedestrian or Cycle Access
	Primary Vehicle Access
	Secondary Vehicle Access



CARE HOME UPDATE

- ❑ Modern 66-bed home run by Crystal Care Collection
- ❑ 50 -60 new local jobs with competitive pay
- ❑ High-quality external amenity space
- ❑ 25 parking spaces (2 accessible, 6 EV chargers) and 16 cycle spaces
- ❑ Resident amenities include a cinema, hair salon, activity spaces, family lounge and a café



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Springstead Village Archaeological Excavations

Craig Cessford

Archaeological works part of planning conditions, specified by council

Trench based evaluation, geophysics etc.: 2017

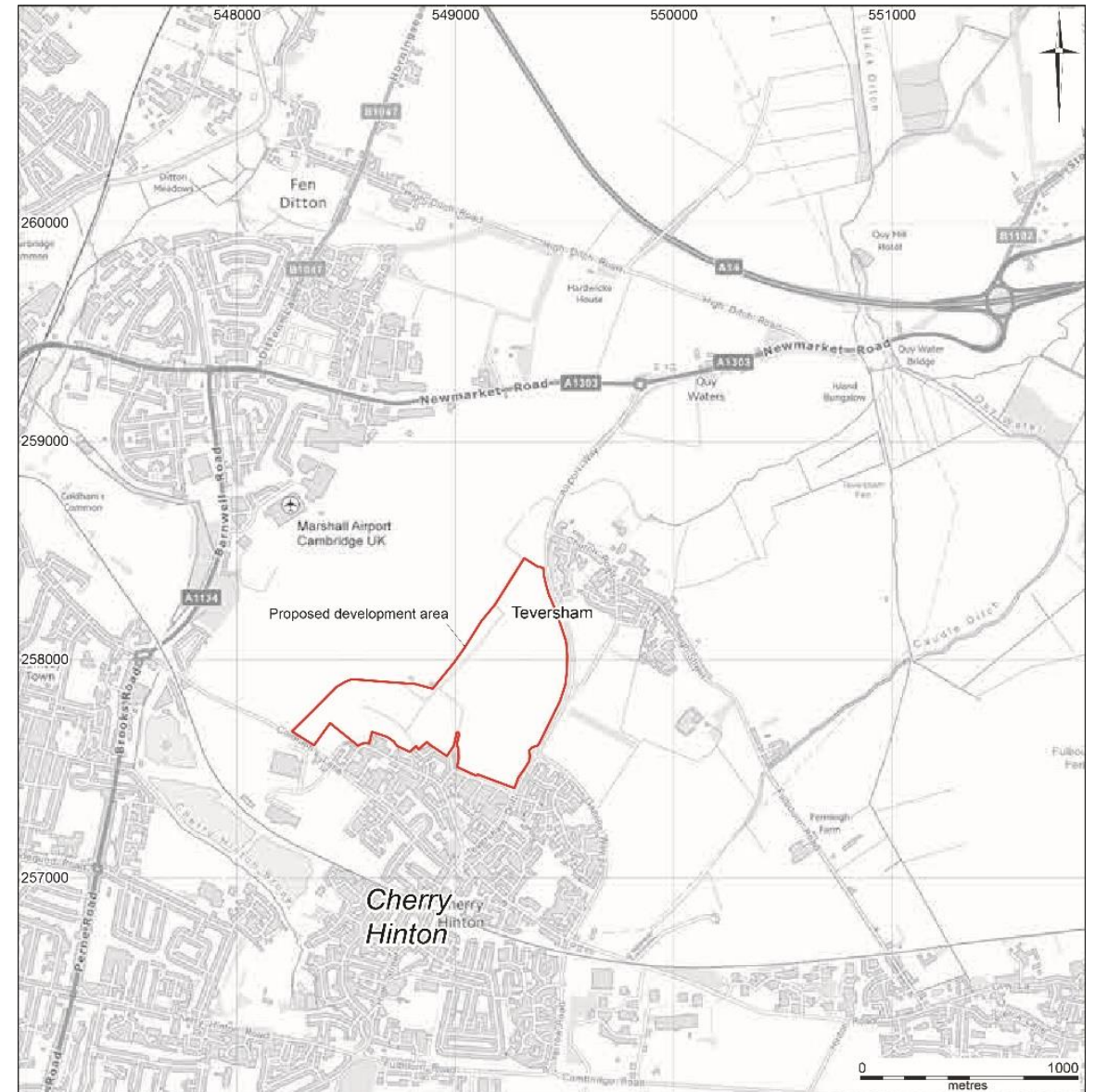
Planning permission: 2020

Archaeological excavation: started 2022, ongoing probably until 2028 or later

Post-excavation analysis reports: c. 2030

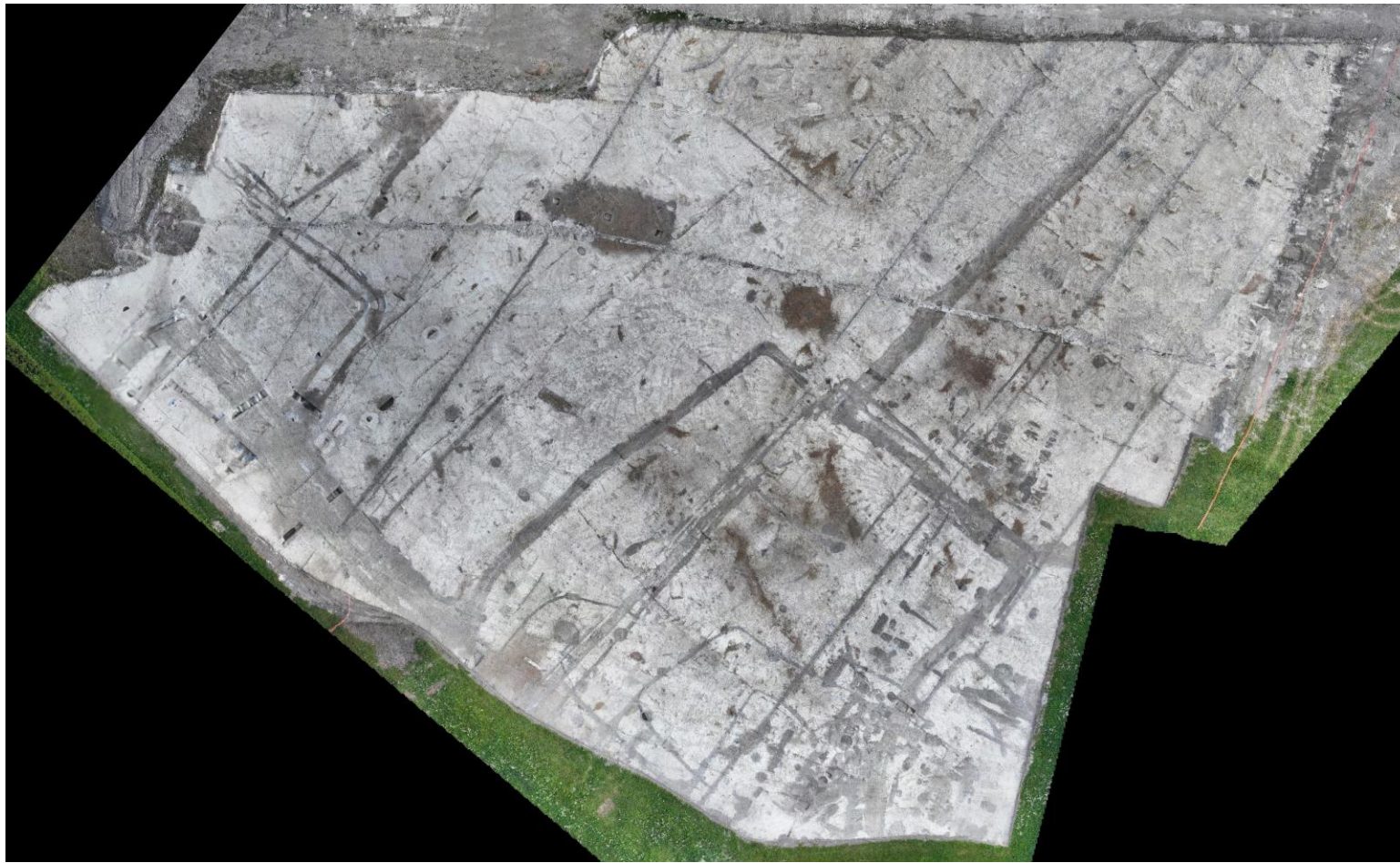
Publication: c. 2032

Archiving of material: c. 2032. With County Council, mostly in storage for future study but display of selected material possible

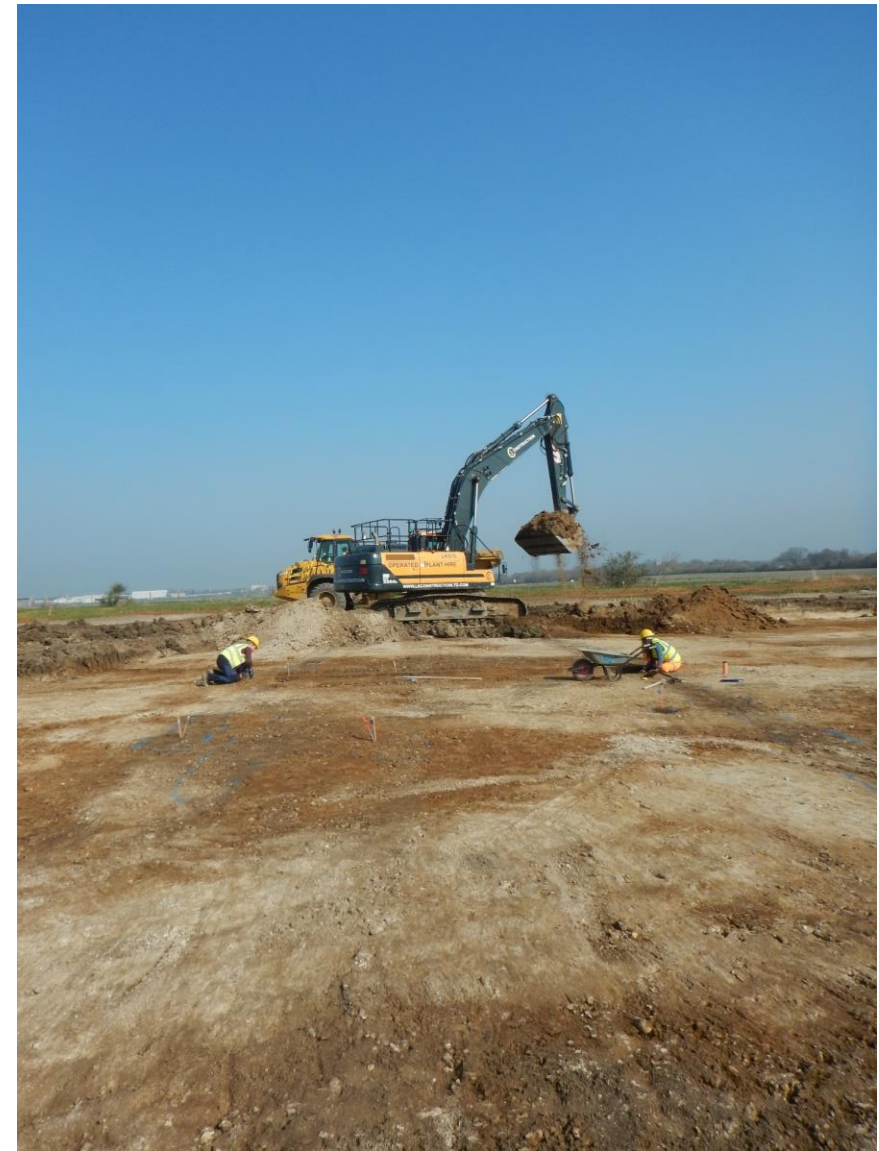




Evaluation trenches and geophysics,
2017



Site ploughed, so only cut features c. 0.5m+ deep survive
First strip areas with machine
Identify features, usually darker and softer than the geology
Hand excavate and record





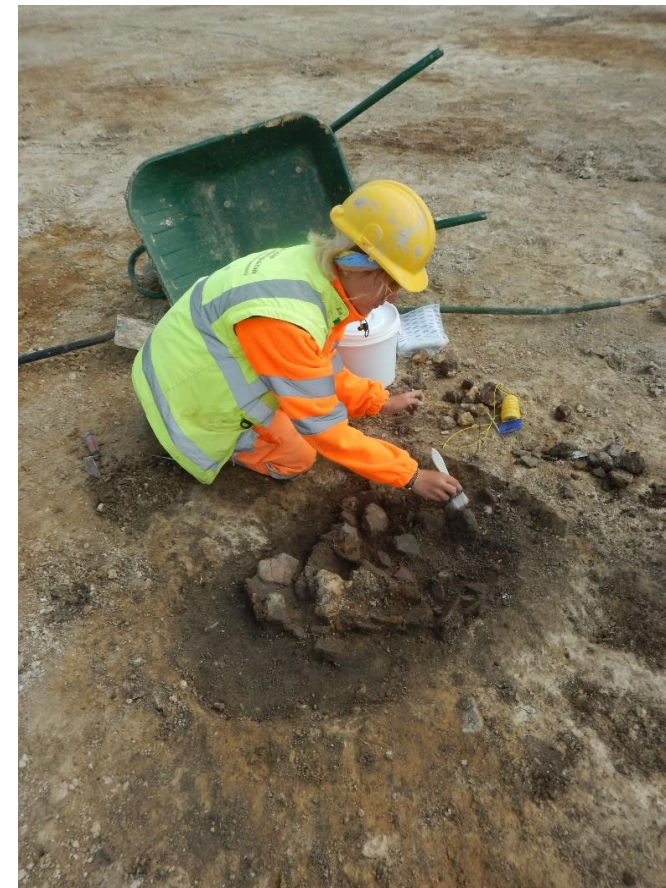
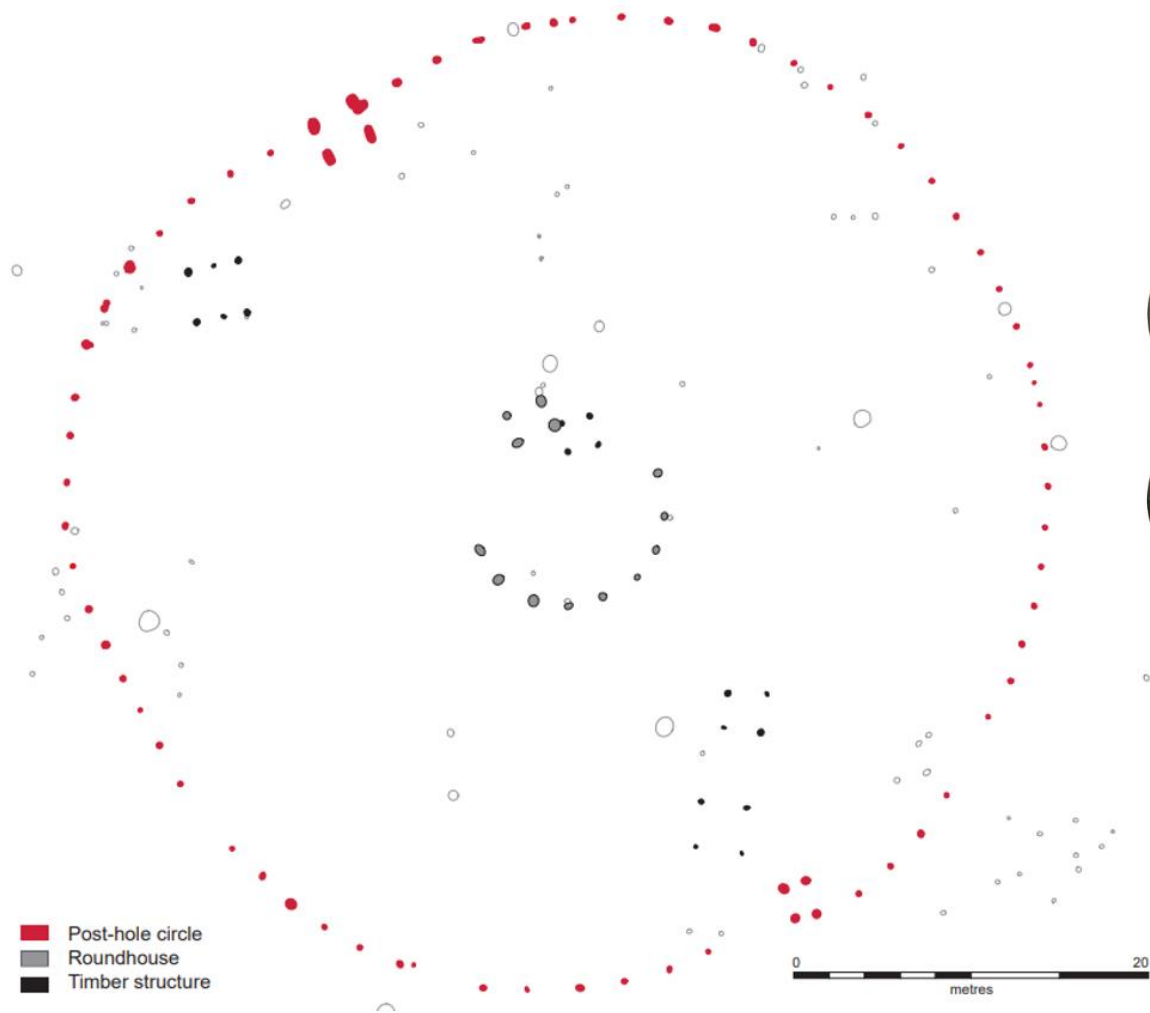
Neolithic and Early Bronze Age (4000–1500 BC)



Middle Bronze Age (1500–1000 BC)



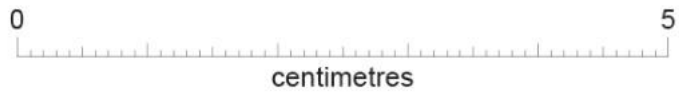
Middle Bronze Age (1500–1000 BC)



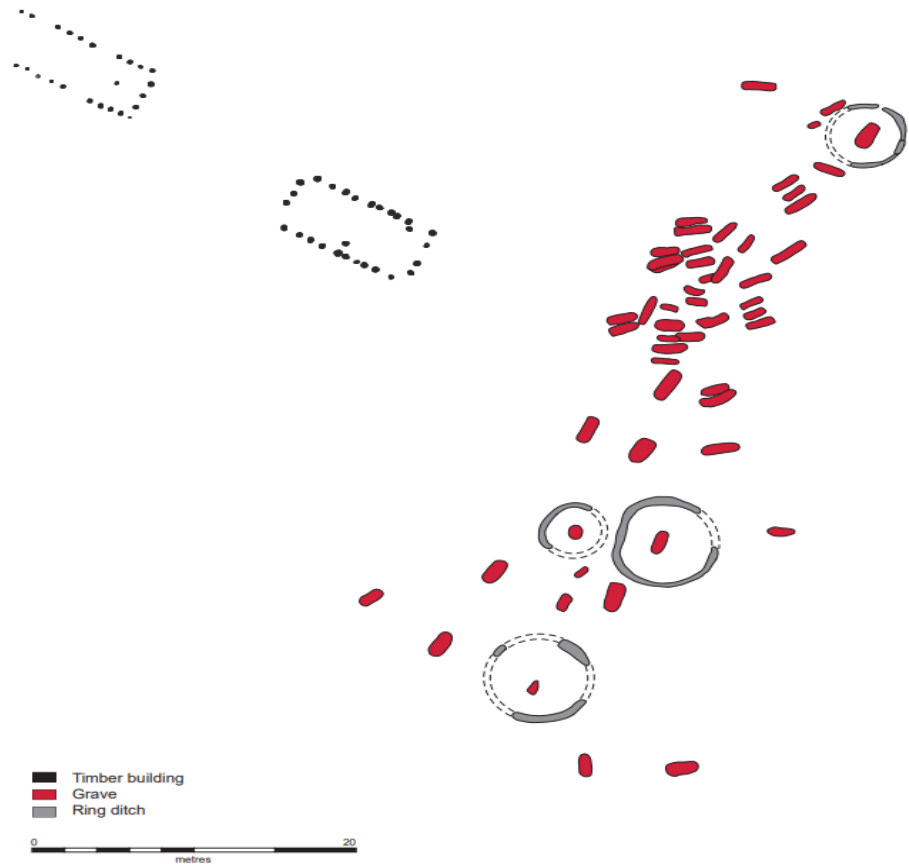
Late Bronze Age (1000–700 BC)



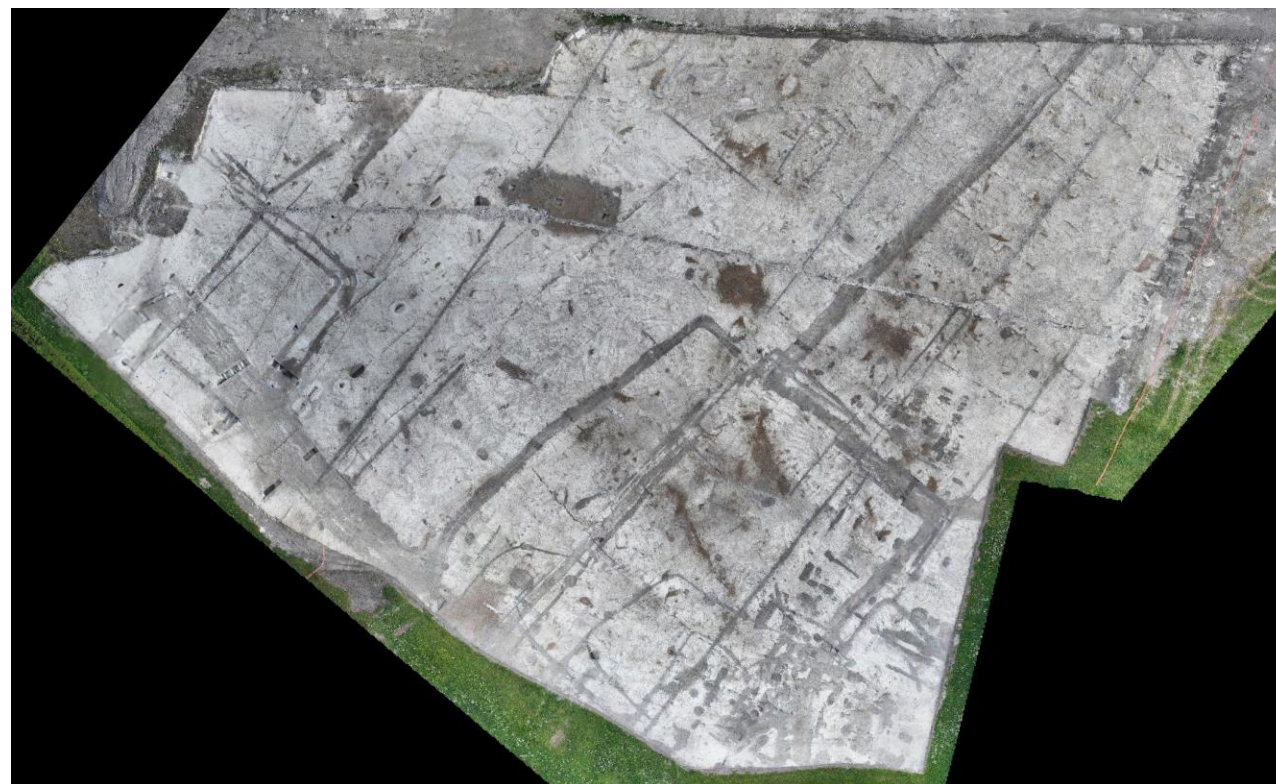
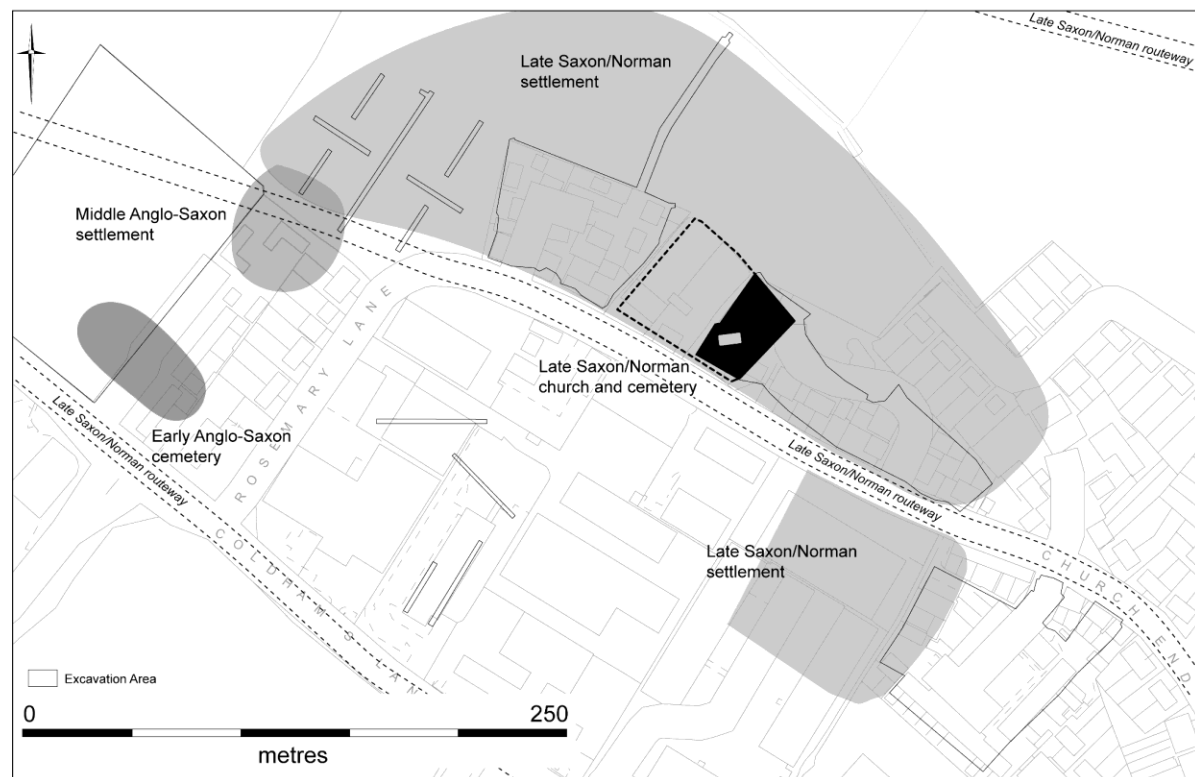
Early–Middle Iron Age (700–100 BC)



Late Iron Age–Early Roman (100BC–200AD)



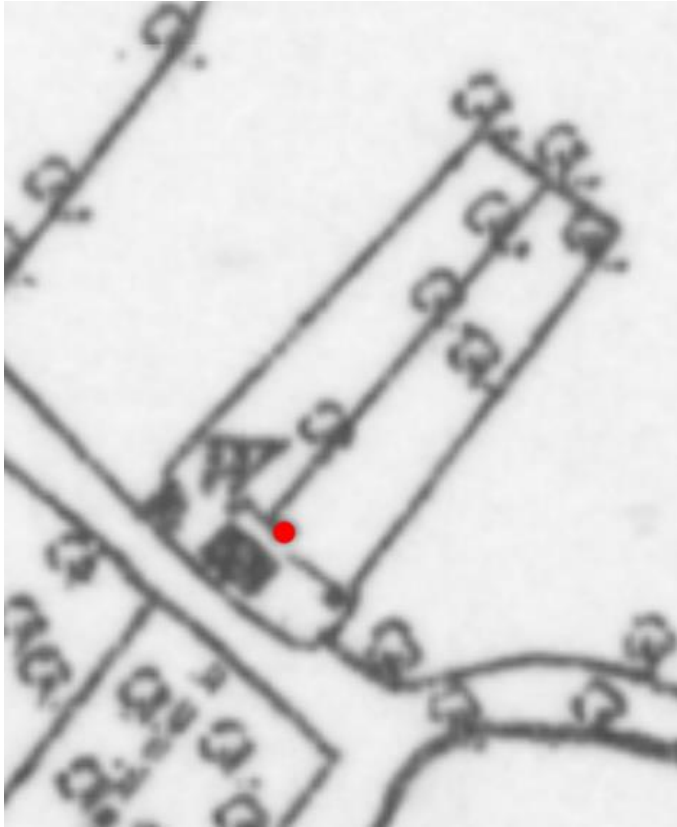
Early Anglo-Saxon (600–700AD)



Late Saxon–Early Norman (900–1200AD)



Late Medieval (1200–1500AD)



Modern (inclosure of fields 1810AD, property shown on maps 1885–1925AD)

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Marleigh Park

CAMBRIDGE

Planning Context
SITE

Overview



Marleigh CAMBRIDGE Park

Phase 1 Update

View looking north east
from the Park and Ride



Marleigh CAMBRIDGE Park

Phase 2 Update

View looking south to
Newmarket Road over
the Phase 2 apartments



Marleigh Park

CAMBRIDGE

View looking west across
the northern part of
Phase 3



Marleigh CAMBRIDGE Park

View looking south
across Phase 3





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Jodie Lynch

Service Charge Estates
Manager

The Land Trust



Marleigh - General update

- **Budget for the new service charge year has been issued to all residents**
- **The budget reflects additional land coming into management such as the allotments and sports pitches**
- **It also includes a new full time temporary member to support the Estate Officer with handovers and new areas of management**
- **Nurture continues to address weeds across the site**
- **Barking up of selected flower beds have been completed**
- **Bulb planting is planned along Marleigh Avenue in September to add winter colour**
- **The Council have taken over the bin emptying from 1st June providing a more cost effective service for residents**
- **Green fencing installed around the Titch SUDS to discourage access and reduce rubbish entering the water.**
- **Various events are being run by the Estate Officer on site with more information found on the community centre notice board**

Allotments



- Allotments are largely complete and ready for handover from Hill
- Additional works have been undertaken to help reduce plot fees
- These cost saving measures have now been agreed
- Trying to keep plot fees as affordable as possible for residents
- A full FAQ document has been prepared
- FAQ is currently under review by Hill
- Once finalised it will be shared with everyone on the allotment waiting list
- We hope for this to be completed in the coming days.



Thank you for your time!
Any questions?

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JUBILEE SQUARE  **SATURDAY**
20 June
10:30 am - 1:30 pm

MARLEIGH SUMMER FAIR

BRING FAMILY & FRIENDS

Youth Connections Bus - Capoeira - Arts & Crafts - Ice Cream Van - Bouncy Castle - Food & Drink - Fun Games - Information Stalls - Clay Modelling - Seed Planting - Painting on Tote Bag activity - And Much More

No parking available on site; please walk or cycle.

Event organised by Land Trust and South Cambs District Council with the support of:





17/06/2026

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Mid 2026 – our updates

- Anti-social behaviour escalation to our local MP, PCSO and monitored by Neighbourhood watch – improving
- Estate charge delays by the Land Trust - complaint raised by residents in January 2026
 - Accounts for 23/24 received in March 2026
 - 24/25 delayed by 9 months as of today- No ETA
- Review of allotment and community hall pricing to ensure financial viability – No update
- Parking enforcement: proposal with Hill, no timeline
- Meeting with LT and residents on 1/7/26



Mid 2026 – our updates

- Budget for 26/27 Received ON TIME – charge increased by over 20% this year
- PLANNING QUESTION:
According to our records, mngt strategy of playing fields did not mention the residents being charged for shortfall of the playing fields, is this correct?

The budget for 26/27 includes a hefty increase in landscaping cost for the sport pitches.



Should Cambridge City Council and South Cambs consider
alternative arrangements to
fleecehold
for future developments?

Thank you



Residents Association

Marleigh

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NEXT FORUM

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