

South Cambridgeshire District

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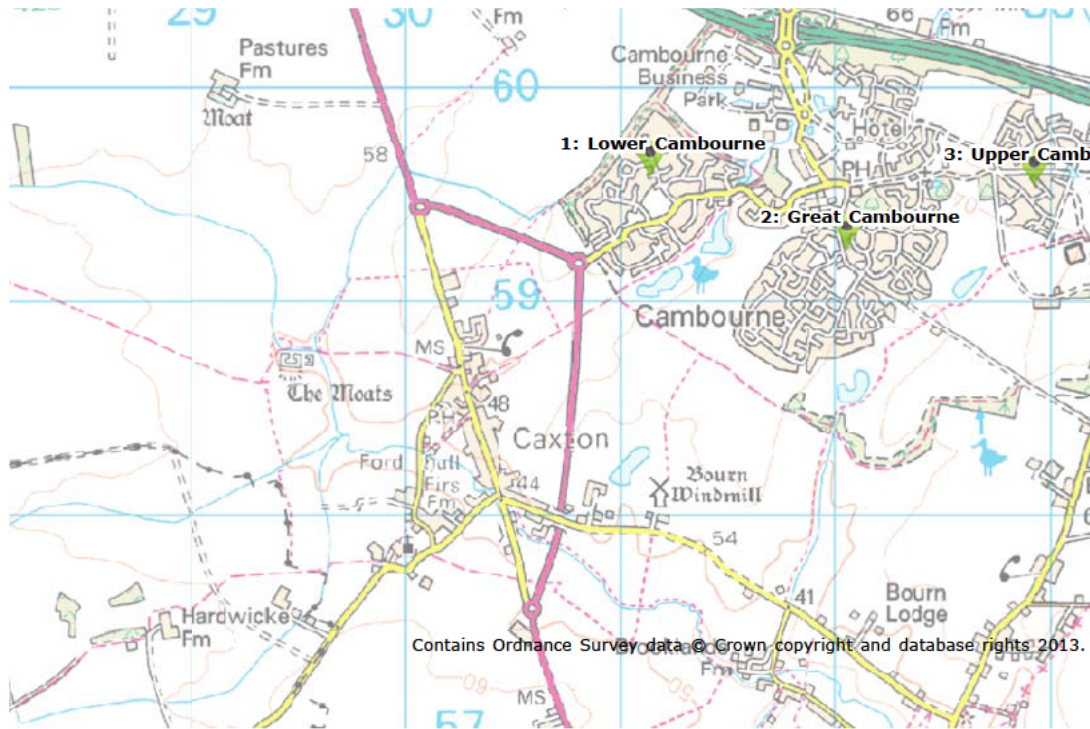
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Feature Annotations



Map Features:

Annotation 1: Lower Cambourne

Annotation 2: Great Cambourne

Annotation 3: Upper Cambourne

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Further to my initial submission. Having seen the submission by South Cambridgeshire District Council I can see why they have made Cambourne a 3 member ward. I support Cambourne having 3 councillors. What I cannot support is Cambourne having a multi-member ward. The Cambourne idea is 3 villages. These are Lower Cambourne, Great Cambourne and Upper Cambourne. Building is still happening in Upper Cambourne and is not reflected in your map. Looking at the SCDC proposals I cannot understand the assumptions these have been made on. I have asked for the data only to be told that as the electorate for Cambourne is -10.5% that it is presumed therefore splitting Cambourne into 3 separate wards would make one or more wards not workable. SCDC hasn't done any work to see whether this is the case. For all I know splitting Cambourne into 3 wards could have all 3 wards at -10.5%. Therefore drawing lines on your maps are pretty pointless because the underlying numbers are not published. Just drawing lines splitting Cambourne Parish whilst just having Parish numbers is wrong. Parish Wards for Cambourne. I still feel this needs to happen. At the moment we have 13 councillors representing the whole Parish. With an electorate looking to be 7760 in 2021 this will make a large parish and I feel this is undemocratic. This will mean that at an election every 4 years 14 or more candidates would have to deliver leaflets and knock on doors across the whole Parish for an unpaid job. Indeed this has happened in the one by-election we have in 2012. There have been 7 further resignations which could have meant a further 5 by-elections. One hindrance to having by-elections is the size of the electorate is the size of the electorate which is set to rise. Having wards would mean that they would be centred on the individual settlements and could encourage participation in the democratic process. Where a by-election happens if wards are brought in this would mean only part of the parish would go for election rather than the whole Parish.

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