PLANNING GROUP

Meeting Type:	Deed of Obligation Governance Group	
Date:	13 th November 2025	
Venue:	Hybrid - ESC Melton Offices / MS Teams	
Meeting Chair:	Niki Pieri	
SZC Attendees:	Niki Pieri, Richard Bull, Olivia Hart, Caitlin Murphy, Jen Mills, Samantha Freelove	
Regulatory Attendees:	ESC: Clara Peirson, J-P Farthing SCC: Andy Rutter, Kate Watson, Zachary Farndon, Callum Etherton	
Apologies:	ESC: Martyn Fulcher, Beth Rance	
Meeting Record produced by:	Jen Mills	
Next Meeting Date:	9 th December 2025 TBC	
Group Quorum:	Quorate voting members above are highlighted in bold	

Summary / Key Discussion

Meeting Notes:

INTRODUCTION AND REVIEW OF PREVIOUS ACTIONS

- Introductions were shared, new SCC senior planner colleagues welcomed and apologies noted
- Clara Peirson was identified as the proxy quorate member for ESC

Actions:

Date Raised	Ref.	Description	Lead	Date Due
16/09/2025	1	JM to draft governance monitoring tracker and meet with councils to formalise process, ensuring reporting requirements are clear and consistent across groups.	SZC	Closed
16/09/2025	2	SZC to schedule session with councils to discuss workforce survey, and clarify what is reported in the onboarding survey	SZC	Ongoing
13/11/2025	3	SZC to review information discussed at Oxford Brooks meeting which was anticipated to be picked up within the Annual Sustainability Report, and feedback whether this has delivered it.	SF/RC	09/12/2025

13/11/2025	4	SZC to circulate the summary slides presented in relation to the Annual Sustainability Report.	SZC	09/12/2025	
13/11/2025	5	SZC to investigate a Planning Group Risk Register.	SZC	09/12/2025	

Review of Previous Actions

- **Action 1:** Meeting has been scheduled for 25th November and draft tracker document created for discussion in meeting. Action closed.
- **Action 2:** Update: SZC is in the process of procuring a permanent survey provider to undertake the workforce survey. The intention is to set up a session regarding the survey, to include the Councils and the survey provider once they have been appointed. Ongoing action.

SZC PLANNING TRACKER

TCPAs

- Saxmundham Road Level Crossing: Condition 5 to submit in relation to drainage.
- New application to be submitted for College on the Coast: due for submission 10th December, have engaged with transport already and consultation will come to SCC.
- Bus Refuelling/Maintenance Ransomes, Ipswich: pre app has been submitted to Ipswich Borough Council, hoping to meet next week to go through this. Working on EIA screening at present, potential application submission early new year.AR asked if any consent for hydrogen storage required, NP confirmed potentially yes, due to the hydrogen in the number of vehicles on site..
- Pontins caravan pitches: with ESC for determination.
- **Avonmouth:** EIA screening submitted to Bristol City Council. Planning application submission intended to be made in next few weeks, once EIA response received from Bristol City Council.
- King George's Avenue Caravan Site (Former SZC Caravan Park): No progress between SZC Land and ESC Estates teams.
- Worker Accommodation at High Lodge, Darsham: rebranding of site by developer name to be agreed. Section 73 application submission to amend conditions on existing lodge permission is being prepared. Submission soon, SCC will be consulted.

DCO Requirements

- Req 05 Surface and Foul Water Drainage Details for MDS Earthworks Tranche 9 (Partial discharge): with ESC at present, SCC have been consulted.
- Req 09 Revised site clearance drawings updated to reflect final SCC Technically Approved designs: awaiting ESC determination.
- Req 10(1) Public Rights of Way Implementation Plan for SLR Schedule 11 PRoW diversion: SCC comments made, updated submission to be made when correct approach agreed.
- Req 10(1): Public Rights of Way Implementation Plan partial discharge for revision to original Coast Path PRoW diversion – MBIF Diversion: with SCC for comment.
- Req 13 CMS Revisions for Integrated Reinforcement Yard: with ESC for determination, SCC has been consulted.
- Req 18 Sports Facilities: Reserved matters: submission made start of October 25, awaiting ESC to approve NMA, in order for updated plan to be submitted under Req 18.

- Req 19 MDS: Marine infrastructure TSD Rock Armour installation (southern section): submission likely early next year.
- Req 21 SSSI Method Statement partial discharge for works within temporary land take area near Sizewell B: submitted to ESC today.
- Req 23 MDS Highways Works Highway layout details for Leiston Drain: awaiting revised drawings to be approved by SCC.
- Req 25 MDS: Fen meadow Pakenham Fen Meadow Plan: currently with SCC for determination. All
 consultees other than West Suffolk responded, outstanding comments from SCC to be addressed.
- Req 26 MDS: Wet woodland Wet Woodland Plan amendment (Pakenham only): currently with ESC for determination.
- Req 31 Rail Infrastructure Plans GRR alternative details for bunds (gap and additional height): in process for sign off, anticipated next week.
- Req 32 Sizewell Link Road AD Site Clearance drawings: submission anticipated for Q1.
- Req 32 Two Village Bypass AD Site Clearance drawings: submission anticipated for Q1.
- Req 35(1) Highway works, SLR Highway layout details inc drainage: discharged today.
- Req 35(1) Highway works, A1094/B1069 (Knodishall) Highway layout details inc drainage: awaiting determination from SCC, dependant on legal agreement to be signed between SCC and SPR.
- Req 35(1) Highway works, A12/A114 (Bramfield): Highway layout details inc drainage: submission scheduled for early 2026.
- Req 36(1) ADs; Highway landscape works Details of landscape works for TVB excluding Friday Street Roundabout: LEMP has been made. SZC to ensure ESC has latest drawings.
- Req 36(1) ADs; Highway landscape works Details of landscape works for Friday Street: LEMP has been made. SZC to ensure ESC has latest drawings.
- Req 36(1) ADs; Highway landscape works Details of landscape works for SLR: LEMP has been made. SZC to ensure ESC has latest drawings
- Reg 39 Rail Noise Rail Noise Mitigation Plan: Rev 2.0 submitted to ESC last week.

Advertisement Consent Applications

• Construction access signage – TVB Construction Access: submitted to ESC today.

<u>BMPs</u>

- BMP 6 ACA: with ESC for determination.
- MDS Roads: due to be submitted before Christmas.
- TCA: due to be submitted in next few weeks.
- Roads (TVB and SLR): due to be submitted before Christmas.

ANNUAL SUSTAINABILITY REPORT 2024/2025

- SF provided a summary of the first Annual Sustainability Report background, structure and contents.
- KW noted importance of visibility for Suffolk specifically for impacts shown through Sustainability Report, rather than national overview. SF noted feedback and confirmed a lot of local including focus for skills, education, employment and investment. Data will show localised data on employment, skills and local social value impacts.
- AR noted there was previously a lot of weight assumed by SZC on what this report would provide and would
 be useful if we could set out how the takeaways from the previous meetings are provided in this report. SF
 noted we could come back with this, it may be the case that some of the information is in the data book
 which supports the report.

DCO GOVERNANCE GROUPS UPDATE

- The 2026 Meeting Schedule has been completed. This will be used to update the appendix within the Governance Group Protocol document and shared accordingly. The schedule will also be shared with the shared SZC inboxes at Suffolk and East Suffolk Councils.
- AR asked for update of the position of Terms of Reference for the groups. JM confirmed the only
 outstanding were for Community Safety Working Group, which had been verbally agreed within the meeting
 and needed to be approved by the Social Review Group for final sign off.

RECOMMENDATIONS TO DSG

None

AoB

- JPF queried how risks are flagged from the Planning Group over which the DSG could have oversight. Planning Group doesn't appear to maintain a risk register like other governance groups. This was agreed as a valid point and will be investigated by SZC.
- AR requested that the December Planning Group Meeting be rescheduled if possible.

Date of Next Meeting: Tuesday 9th December 10-12:00