# East Suffolk Shadow Authority

Members are invited to a Meeting of the Shadow Council
in the Champion Suite at High Lodge Leisure Limited, Haw Wood, Hinton,
Near Darsham, Suffolk, IP17 3QT
on Thursday 28 February 2019 at 6.30pm

An Agenda is set out below.

## Part One - Open to the Public

- 1. Election of the Chairman of the East Suffolk Shadow Authority

  To elect the Chairman.
- 2. Election of the Vice-Chairman of the East Suffolk Shadow Authority

  To elect the Vice-Chairman.
- 3. Election of the Leader of the East Suffolk Shadow Authority
  To elect the Leader.
- 4. Election of the Deputy Leader of the East Suffolk Shadow Authority
  To elect the Deputy Leader.
- 5. Apologies for Absence

To receive apologies for absence, if any.

### 6. Declarations of Interest

Members and Officers are invited to make any declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary or Local Non-Pecuniary Interests that they may have in relation to items on the Agenda and are also reminded to make any declarations at any stage during the Meeting if it becomes apparent that this may be required when a particular item or issue is considered.

### 7. Minutes

To confirm as a correct record the Minutes of the Meeting held on 28 January 2019 (Pages 1 to 15)

### 8. Announcements

To receive any announcements from the Chairman and the Leader.

### 9. Questions from Members

The following Written Questions have been submitted by Members on behalf of the Shadow Labour Group and in accordance with Shadow Council Procedure Rule 8:

(a) Councillor Janet Craig to the Leader of the Shadow Authority:

"Given the serious issues acknowledged by Councillor Mark Bee and Peter Aldous M.P., will this Council ensure that the ongoing problems surrounding the Community Energy Saving Programme, affecting a significant number of residents in Harbour Ward, are followed up by East Suffolk Council Scrutiny, as promised by WDC."

(b) Councillor Jane Murray to the Cabinet Members with responsibility for Community Health and Safety (WDC) and the Green Environment (SCDC):

"At the last meeting of this Authority, I asked about monitoring air quality around sites using Bio-Mass fuels. Earlier in February, it was found that the air around the Alexandra Road Doctors Surgery in Lowestoft had the third highest level of pollution in the United Kingdom. In the East of England, 39% of patients are registered at surgeries exceeding the national air pollution limit. Suffolk is in a high risk area. Given this very current information, will East Suffolk Council urgently review air pollution monitoring and take any action needed to reduce risks to residents and visitors?"

(c) Councillor Alan Green to the Cabinet Members for Community Health and Safety (WDC) and Housing (SCDC):

"Given that significant numbers of residents are experiencing difficulties applying for Universal Credit, due to problems with IT access, what measures will East Suffolk Council put in place to ensure that those residents are supported with their applications in order to prevent unfair and stressful delays in receiving benefits?"

(d) Councillor Louise Gooch to the Cabinet Members for Resources:

"As we are barely a few weeks away from the establishment of the new East Suffolk Council, what progress has been made in removing all existing signage from all vehicles working for WDC and SCDC?"

(e) Councillor Jack Smith to the Cabinet Members for Community Health and Safety (WDC) and Community Health (SCDC):

"Given the ongoing lack of a Medical Hub to serve North Lowestoft, and reductions in Services at Kirkley Mill Medical Centre, will this Council engage with the CCG to seek a priority review of all NHS service across Lowestoft, and also to raise the issue of there being no Minor Injuries Unit within the town?"

(f) Councillor Peter Byatt to the Leader of the Shadow Authority

"Will the Leader join me in congratulating Suffolk County Council on their decision to reverse their proposed cuts in financial support to the Citizen's Advice Service?"

### 10. Notices of Motions

To receive the following Notice of Motion raised in pursuance of Shadow Council Procedure Rule 9:

Councillor Byatt, on behalf of Councillor Deacon, has submitted the following Notice of Motion

"At the December meeting of this Shadow Authority, I asked for assurances that any contractors working on behalf of the East Suffolk Council would pay the National Living Wage.

Councillor Bee stated that it has always been the practice of Suffolk Coastal and Waveney District Councils to encourage partners and contractors to follow the high standards that they both set, and that it was the intention to do so in the future East Suffolk Council.

I now ask that this practice of 'encouragement' be formally adopted as Policy for East Suffolk Council, using the definition of the real National Living Wage, as defined by the Living Wage Foundation and Loughborough University."

# 11. Appointment of a Chief Finance Officer (REP 36(SH))

Report of the Leader and Deputy Leader of the East Suffolk Shadow Authority (Pages 16 to 18)

# 12. General Fund Budget & Council Tax Report 2019/20 (REP 37(SH))

Report of the Cabinet Members with responsibility for Resources (Suffolk Coastal & Waveney) (Pages 19 to 92, excluding the Local Council Tax Reduction Scheme for East Suffolk 2019/20 at Appendix G which is numbered separately)

# 13. Capital Strategy 2019/20 to 2022/23 (REP 38(SH))

Report of the Cabinet Members with responsibility for Resources (Suffolk Coastal & Waveney) (Pages 93 to 109)

# 14. Report of the Independent Remuneration Panel (REP 39(SH))

Report of the Leader and Deputy Leader of the East Suffolk Shadow Authority (Pages 110 to end)

# Part Two - Exempt / Confidential

There are no Exempt or Confidential items of business for consideration in this part of the agenda.

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Stephen Baker Chief Executive

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