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## ***Rural Area Working Party***

***Monday 29 July 2013 at 5.00 pm  
in Room GFR14, West Suffolk House,  
Western Way, Bury St Edmunds***

***\*\*Councillor Mrs Gower, Portfolio Holder for Housing and all  
Councillors representing rural wards who are not Members of the  
Working Party are invited to attend \*\****

***CONSTITUTION: Chairman: To be elected  
Vice-Chairman: To be appointed***

***FULL MEMBERS:***

<u><i>Conservative Members (8)</i></u>	<u><i>Independent Group Member (1)</i></u>	<u><i>Labour Member (1)</i></u>
<i>Mrs Broughton Clifton-Brown Pugh Ray Mrs Rushen Stevens Thorndyke VACANCY</i>	<i>Redhead</i>	<i>VACANCY</i>

***SUBSTITUTES:***

<u><i>Conservative Members (3)</i></u>	<u><i>Independent Group Member (1)</i></u>	<u><i>Labour Member (1)</i></u>
<i>Mrs R V Hopfensperger Houlder Mrs D A Whittaker</i>	<i>Nettleton</i>	<i>VACANCY</i>

***QUORUM: Four Members***

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exceptional circumstances require  
otherwise.***

# *Agenda*

## Procedural Matters

**1. Substitutes**

Any Member who is substituting for another Member should so indicate together with the name of the relevant absent Member.

**2. Election of Chairman**

**3. Appointment of Vice-Chairman**

**4. Apologies for absence**

**5. Minutes**

To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 7 May 2013 (attached).

**6. Declarations of interests**

Members are reminded of their responsibility to declare any pecuniary or local non-pecuniary interest which they have in any item of business on the agenda no later than when that item is reached and, when appropriate, to leave the meeting prior to discussion and voting on the item.

## Part 1 – Public

**7. Responsibilities of Riparian Owners**

Presentation by Mr Dave Gillett and Chris Bailey of the Environment Agency.

**8. Evidencing Rural Affordable Housing Need and Rural Housing Need Profiling Project – Update**

Report **E67** attached.

**9. Parish Conference Planning**

Officers to give an oral update.

**10. Village of the Year Competition 2013**

Officers to give an oral update.

**11. Dates of Future Meetings**

The Working Party has agreed the following dates for future meetings:

Wednesday 30 October 2013;  
Monday 27 January 2014; and  
Wednesday 26 March 2014.

All meetings to commence at 5.00 pm.

**Part 2 – Private**

**NONE**