

West Suffolk Joint Growth Steering Group

Forest Heath & St Edmundsbury councils

West Suffolk
working together

Title:	Agenda		
Date:	Tuesday 21 February 2017		
Time:	10.00 am		
Venue:	Conference Chamber (West) (F1R09) West Suffolk House Western Way Bury St Edmunds		
Full Members:	<p style="text-align: center;">Chairman David Bowman Vice Chairman Alaric Pugh</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>St Edmundsbury Borough Council</i> <i>Forest Heath District Council</i></p> <p><i>Conservative Group Members (9)</i> Chris Barker Alaric Pugh David Bowman David Roach Ruth Bowman Angela Rushen Rona Burt Peter Thompson Jim Thorndyke</p> <p><i>UKIP Group Members (2)</i> Reg Silvester John Burns</p> <p><i>West Suffolk Independent Group Member(1)</i> David Palmer</p>		
Substitutes:	<p><i>Conservative Members (2)</i> Colin Noble Sara Mildmay-White</p> <p><i>UKIP Group Member (1)</i> Tony Brown</p> <p><i>West Suffolk Independent Group Member (1)</i> Simon Cole</p>		
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Quorum:	Three Members from each Council		

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Public Information

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Agenda

Procedural Matters

1. Apologies for Absence

2. Substitutes

3. Minutes

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To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 29 November 2016 (copy attached).

Part 1 - Public

4. Suffolk Skills and Employment Programme - Update

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(Judith Mobbs, Assistant Director Inclusion and Skills, Suffolk County Council, to be in attendance for this item)

To receive an update on the main developments within the Suffolk Skills and Employment Programme over recent months (report attached)

5. Housing White Paper: 'Fixing Our Broken Housing Market'

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To receive a briefing paper following on from the publication of the Housing White Paper on 7 February 2017, which sets out a broad range of improvements that the Government plans to introduce to help reform the housing market and increase the supply of new homes (attached).

6. Suffolk Planning and Infrastructure Framework (SPIF) – Update

7. Bury St Edmunds Town Centre Masterplan – Update

8. Work Programme 2017/2018 – Update

9. Date of Next Meeting

To consider the proposal for an additional meeting of the Group to be held in March/April 2017 (date and venue to be confirmed).