

Extraordinary Cabinet



Forest Heath
District Council

Minutes of a meeting of the **Extraordinary Cabinet** held on
Tuesday 22 November 2016 at **6.30 pm** at the **Council Chamber, District
Offices**, College Heath Road, Mildenhall IP28 7EY

Present: **Councillors**

Chairman James Waters

Vice Chairman Robin Millar

David Bowman

Stephen Edwards

Andy Drummond

Lance Stanbury

In Attendance

Ruth Bowman

Colin Noble

256. **Apologies for Absence**

There were no apologies for absence.

257. **Open Forum**

No non-Cabinet Members in attendance wished to speak under this item.

258. **Public Participation**

There were no questions/statements from members of the public.

259. **Findings of the Extraordinary (Informal Joint) Overview and Scrutiny Committee: 4 October 2016 - What Will Devolution Mean for West Suffolk? (Report No: CAB/FH/16/050)**

Councillor Ruth Bowman presented this item in her capacity as Vice-Chairman of the Forest Heath District Council Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

The report before Cabinet set out the findings of the St Edmundsbury Borough Council and Forest Heath District Council's Overview and Scrutiny Committees following the work jointly undertaken in respect of the topic: 'What will Devolution mean for West Suffolk?'.

As reported at the Council meeting prior to Cabinet, the situation with regard to the Norfolk and Suffolk Devolution agreement had significantly changed since publication of the agendas.

Accordingly, an amended recommendation had been tabled to the Cabinet meeting and Councillor Bowman asked that this be acknowledged and noted.

RESOLVED:

That the concerns of the St Edmundsbury and Forest Heath Overview and Scrutiny Committees regarding the veto vote of the directly elected Mayor for the then proposed Mayoral Combined Authority for Norfolk and Suffolk, as outlined in Paragraph 1.2 of Report No CAB/FH/16/050, be formally acknowledged and noted, and this will be taken into account in any negotiations regarding the setting up of a Mayoral authority for Devolution during negotiations at a later stage.

260. **Norfolk and Suffolk Devolution Agreement (Report No CAB/FH/16/051)**

As a result of an amended recommendation resolved by Council, immediately prior to Cabinet, in respect of this item there was now no need for Cabinet to undertake a final decision in its Executive capacity in relation to this matter.

The meeting concluded at 6.36 pm

Signed by:

Chairman
