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Purpose

To be a forum to co-ordinate the activities of local authorities and utility companies in pursuit of achieving sustainable communities and planning for future growth.

Terms of Reference

The Suffolk Utilities Liaison Group will have an overview of the challenges and opportunities in the provision of infrastructure in Suffolk to:

- co-ordinate the evidence for spatial planning and utilities infrastructure;
- influence the necessary investment in infrastructure, and
- support and encourage sustainable economic development

Members of the liaison group will be expected to:

- ensure effective two-way communication between all members, as well as a single point of contact at both a strategic and operational level;
- contribute relevant matters for the group to discuss;
- identify gaps, overlaps or conflicts in service provision, and
- use internal and external networks to ensure that the group is effective in addressing matters raised by other members.

Membership

The membership will include representatives from the following partner organisations:

- Anglian Water Group Limited
- Babergh District Council
- Essex and Suffolk Water (part of the Northumbrian Water Group)
- Forest Heath District Council
- Ipswich Borough Council
- Mid Suffolk District Council
- National Grid (Gas)
- St Edmundsbury Borough Council
- Suffolk Coastal District Council
- Suffolk County Council
- Environment Agency
- Openreach
- UK Power Networks
- Waveney District Council