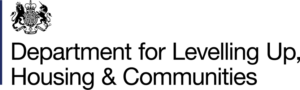
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**East of England NSIPs Centre of Excellence Conference**

15 March 2023, The Apex, Bury St Edmunds

**AGENDA**

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| **Time** | **Session** |
| 09:30 | Registration and refreshments |
| 10:00 | **Welcome address and project overview**  Andrew Cook, Executive Director for Growth, Highways and Infrastructure, Suffolk County Council and Cllr Richard Rout, Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Finance and the Environment, Suffolk County Council |
| 10:15 | **Keynote speaker 1: Policy Updates on** **NSIP Work and National Policy Statements (NPS)**  Kate Johnson, Legislation and NPS Lead,  [Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities](https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-levelling-up-housing-and-communities) |
| 10.35 | **Keynote speaker 2:** **NIPA Research on Post-Decision Implementation**  Hannah Hickman, Associate Professor, University of the West of England |
| 10:55 | Question and answer session with morning speakers |
| 11:10 | Refreshments |
| 11:30 | **Maximising positive outcomes for the local community**  Jamie Childs, Director, Howes Percival |
| 11:45 | **Maximising the skills and employment benefits from an NSIP**  Paul Warmington, Manager, Agilia Infrastructure Partners |
| 12:00 | **A practical example of community benefits- lessons learnt**  Dr Catrin Jones, Head of Stakeholder and Community Engagement for Offshore Wind, Vattenfall |
| 12:15 | Question and answer session with mid-morning speakers |
| 12:30 | Lunch |
| 13:15 | **Panel discussion: Cost Recovery and resource planning**  Chaired by Michael Moll, Programme Director for Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects (NSIPs), Suffolk County Council  **Panellists:**   * Emyr Thomas, Partner and Parliamentary Agent, Sharpe Pritchard LLP * Isaac Nunn, Senior Planning Officer (NSIPs), Suffolk County Council * Emma Fitch, Assistant Director (Planning, Growth & Environment), Cambridgeshire County Council   Followed by a question and answer session |
| 13:55 | **Good practice of engagement between** **LAs and developers**   * Michael Bedford KC, King’s Counsel Barrister, Cornerstone Barristers * Ian Fletcher, DCO Lead, Jacobs   Followed by a question and answer session |
| 14:55 | **Closing remarks**  Andrew Cook, Executive Director for Growth, Highways and Infrastructure, Suffolk County Council |
| 15:00 | Refreshment break |
| 15:15 | Networking Session (optional) |
| 16:30 | Close |