

## Suffolk County Council meeting Thursday 7 December 2023, vote taken on Motion 1.

Motion 1 – Proposed by Councillor Mick Fraser and seconded by Councillor Jessica Fleming.

Motion Text: ‘Suffolk County Council is proud to reaffirm our support for our Armed Forces communities and military bases in Suffolk. In this period following Armistice Day and Remembrance Sunday, we would like to pay special tribute and thank all those who have served, or continue to serve, in our military.

Furthermore, this council extends its gratitude to our allies from the United States of America stationed at U.S. Air Force bases in our county. We endeavour to uphold our long and noble tradition of military presence in Suffolk and the communities which surround it.

In March 2022, Suffolk County Council unanimously passed a motion condemning Russia’s illegal invasion of Ukraine. We recognise the importance of maintaining our military troops and bases across Suffolk and their strategic significance in the face of emerging global threats. Wherever possible, we will champion and support the current size and nature of military forces and bases here in Suffolk.

The Council places on record its support for His Majesty’s Government’s £10m to support the Veterans Places, Pathways and People Programme and the aspiration to commit at least 2.5% of GDP to Defence spending.

We wish all those serving in the Armed Forces a peaceful and joyful Christmas, especially those away from their families and loved ones during this festive period.’

<b>Total results</b>	
For	50
Against	
Abstain	5

### Conservative Group

Councillor’s Name	For	Against	Abstain
Edward Back	For		
Peter Beer			
Bobby Bennett	For		
Stuart Bird	For		
Elaine Bryce			
Stephen Burroughes	For		
Nadia Cenci	For		
Jenny Ceresa			
Chris Chambers	For		

Judy Cloke			
Andy Drummond			
Robert Everitt	For		
Philip Faircloth-Mutton	For		
James Finch	For		
Jessica Fleming	For		
Mick Fraser	For		
David Goldsmith	For		
Peter Gould			
Georgia Hall			
Liz Harsant	For		
Ryan Harvey			
T-J Haworth-Culf			
Matthew Hicks	For		
Rachel Hood			
Beccy Hopfensperger	For		
Christopher Hudson	For		
Michael Ladd	For		
Stuart Lawson	For		
Joe Mason	For		
Debbie McCallum			
Patti Mulcahy			
Sam Murray	For		
David Nettleton			
Alexander Nicoll	For		
Colin Noble	For		
Kay Oakes	For		
James Reeder	For		
Andrew Reid	For		
Debbie Richards	For		
Craig Rivett			
David Roach	For		
Keith Robinson	For		
Richard Rout	For		
Richard Smith MVO	For		
Karen Soons			
Heike Sowa	For		
Joanna Spicer	For		
Lance Stanbury	For		
Jamie Starling	For		
Melanie Vigo di Gallidoro			
Paul West	For		
Steve Wiles	For		
Nathan Wilson	For		

**Green, Liberal Democrat and Independent Group**

<b>Councillor's Name</b>	<b>For</b>	<b>Against</b>	<b>Abstain</b>
Seamus Bennett	For		
Jessie Carter	For		
Annette Dunning			Abstain
Simon Harley	For		
Richard Kemp	For		
Ruth Leach	For		
Ash Lever			Abstain
Robert Lindsay			Abstain
Inga Lockington	For		
Victor Lukaniuk	For		
Andy Mellen	For		
Penny Otton			
Keith Scarff	For		
Andrew Stringer			Abstain
Caroline Topping	For		
Keith Welham			Abstain

**Labour Group**

<b>Councillor's Name</b>	<b>For</b>	<b>Against</b>	<b>Abstain</b>
Sarah Adams			
Rob Bridgeman	For		
Elizabeth Johnson	For		
Sandy Martin	For		
Lucy Smith			

**Ungrouped Councillor**

<b>Councillor's Name</b>	<b>For</b>	<b>Against</b>	<b>Abstain</b>
Peter Thompson			