

Suffolk County Council meeting Thursday 22 May 2025, vote taken on Motion 3.

Motion – Proposed by Councillor Sandy Martin and seconded by Councillor Rob Bridgeman.

Motion Text: ‘Since their introduction in the Police Reform Act 2002, Police Community Support Officers have made a major contribution to deterring crime, detecting and dealing with anti-social behaviour, and reassuring the law-abiding residents of Suffolk. Currently, however, unlike warranted police officers, there is no long-service medal for PCSOs to show society’s appreciation for the work that they have done.

This Council notes the Petition to Parliament for a 20-year long-service medal for PCSOs initiated by Peter Smith, himself a serving PCSO, and supported by PCSOs, PCCs, and Councillors of most parties in various parts of England. Therefore, in recognition of the dedication of PCSOs in Suffolk, this Council resolves to:

- 1) Encourage all County Councillors to sign the petition before the deadline of 28 May 2025;
- 2) Write to the Home Secretary urging her to give due consideration to the Petition.’

Total results	
For	44
Against	0
Abstain	1

Conservative Group

Councillor’s Name	For	Against	Abstain
Edward Back	For		
Peter Beer	For		
Bobby Bennett	For		
Stuart Bird	For		
Elaine Bryce			
Stephen Burroughes	For		
Nadia Cenci			
Jenny Ceresa			
Chris Chambers	For		
Judy Cloke			
Andy Drummond	For		
Philip Faircloth-Mutton	For		
James Finch	For		
Jessica Fleming	For		
Mick Fraser	For		
David Goldsmith	For		

Georgia Hall			
Liz Harsant			
Ryan Harvey			
T-J Haworth-Culf			
Matthew Hicks	For		
Rachel Hood			
Beccy Hopfensperger	For		
Michael Ladd	For		
Stuart Lawson			
Henry Lloyd	For		
Joe Mason	For		
Debbie McCallum			
Patti Mulcahy			
Sam Murray	For		
David Nettleton			
Alexander Nicoll			
Colin Noble	For		
Kay Oakes			
James Reeder	For		
Andrew Reid	For		
Debbie Richards	For		
David Roach	For		
Keith Robinson	For		
Richard Rout	For		
Richard Smith MVO	For		
Karen Soons			
Heike Sowa			Abstain
Joanna Spicer	For		
Lance Stanbury			
Jamie Starling			
Melanie Vigo di Gallidoro			
Paul West	For		
Steve Wiles	For		
Nathan Wilson	For		

Green, Liberal Democrat and Independent Group

Councillor's Name	For	Against	Abstain
Seamus Bennett			
Jessie Carter	For		
Annette Dunning	For		
Simon Harley			
Richard Kemp			
Ruth Leach	For		
Ash Lever	For		
Robert Lindsay	For		
Inga Lockington	For		
Victor Lukaniuk	For		
Andy Mellen			

Penny Otton			
Keith Scarff	For		
Andrew Stringer	For		
Caroline Topping	For		
Keith Welham	For		

Labour Group

Councillor's Name	For	Against	Abstain
Rob Bridgeman	For		
Peter Byatt			
Adele Cook	For		
Elizabeth Farrow			
Sandy Martin	For		
Lucy Smith			

Ungrouped Independent Councillor

Councillor's Name	For	Against	Abstain
Peter Thompson			

Ungrouped Reform UK Councillor

Councillor's Name	For	Against	Abstain
Christopher Hudson			