

County Council

23 November 2016

Agenda Item 6 Norfolk and Suffolk Devolution

Amendment to motion proposed by Councillor Colin Noble, seconded by Councillor James Waters.

As a result of the decision by King's Lynn and West Norfolk Borough Council not to consent to being included in a draft Order to be laid before Parliament to create a Mayoral Combined Authority for Norfolk and Suffolk to implement the Norfolk and Suffolk Devolution Deal, the Government has taken the Norfolk and Suffolk Devolution Deal off the table.

It is recommended that Council agrees:

1. To reiterate the commitment, given at its June meeting, to Devolution as a means for delivering accelerated growth in the local and national economy and helping local people and places fulfil their potential.
2. To authorise the Leader and Chief Executive to:
 - a) seek an urgent meeting with the Secretary of State to discuss the Government's intentions around devolution; and
 - b) work with Government and local partners to agree an alternative devolution deal as soon as possible.
3. That further reports are presented to the Authority, as appropriate, as the Devolution process progresses.