

Motion: Motion 2 – Proposed by Councillor Caroline Page and seconded by Councillor David Wood
“This Council recognises that:

1. The theme for International Women’s Day 2019 is “Balance for Better”. Gender balance is essential for economies, businesses and communities to thrive; achieving balance is not just a women's issue, it's an issue for everyone.
2. We must ensure gender equality by supporting our next generation of girls to achieve their full potential. Plan International's 2016 report on the quality of life of girls across the UK – looking at child poverty, life expectancy, teenage pregnancy, GCSE results and NEET - showed Suffolk's hidden need. Both Ipswich and Waveney were well in the lowest quartile for the UK: the girls in Ipswich in the lowest 15%. Suffolk was not aware of this.
3. There is currently a “gender data gap” in Suffolk, which can make it difficult to determine the impact that local and national policies are having on women and girls in Suffolk.
4. Suffolk has a history of influential, pioneering and inspiring women. Their achievements should be celebrated and known by everyone in Suffolk.

This Council therefore resolves:

1. To actively support the International Women’s Day 2019 #BalanceforBetter campaign throughout the year, including but not limited to organising events with Suffolk County Council's Women’s Network, encouraging schools and academies to support the campaign, and promoting the campaign through Suffolk County Council's social media networks.
2. To set up a cross-party PDP to determine what Suffolk County Council can do to improve outcomes for girls in Suffolk, focusing on the indicators identified by Plan International. The PDP will report back to Cabinet with recommendations within six months.
3. To close Suffolk’s “gender data gap” by ensuring all data gathered and analysed by the Suffolk Observatory includes information about gender.
4. To take every opportunity to celebrate the names and achievements of Suffolk women, both past and present.”

Total Results	
For	17
Against	45
Abstain	0

Conservative Group	For	Against	Abstain
Mark Bee		X	
Peter Beer			
Stuart Bird		X	
Stephen Burroughes		X	
Louis Busuttil		X	
Jenny Ceresa		X	
Chris Chambers		X	
Mary Evans		X	
Robert Everitt		X	
James Finch		X	
Jessica Fleming		X	
Quillon Fox		X	
Mick Fraser		X	
David Goldsmith		X	
Tony Goldson		X	
Nick Gowrley		X	
Gary Green		X	
Matthew Hicks		X	
Rachel Hood		X	
Beccy Hopfensperger		X	
Christopher Hudson		X	
Gordon Jones		X	
Michael Ladd		X	
Stuart Lawson		X	
Guy McGregor		X	
Robin Millar		X	
Graham Newman		X	
Alexander Nicoll		X	
Colin Noble			
Kay Oakes		X	
Patricia O'Brien		X	
Russ Rainger		X	
James Reeder			
Andrew Reid		X	
David Ritchie		X	
Craig Rivett		X	
David Roach		X	
Keith Robinson		X	
Richard Rout		X	
Richard Smith MVO		X	
Karen Soons		X	
Colin Spence		X	
Joanna Spicer		X	
Jamie Starling			
Jane Storey		X	
Robin Vickery		X	
Melanie Vigo di Gallidoro			
Paul West		X	
Robert Whiting		X	
Steve Wiles		X	

Labour Group	For	Against	Abstain
Jack Abbott	✕		
Sarah Adams	✕		
Helen Armitage	✕		
Kathy Bole			
Kim Clements	✕		
Sandra Gage	✕		
Peter Gardiner	✕		
Mandy Gaylard			
Jack Owen	✕		
Keith Patience			
Bill Quinton			

Liberal Democrat, Green & Independent Group	For	Against	Abstain
Trevor Beckwith	✕		
Elfrede Brambley-Crawshaw	✕		
John Field	✕		
Paula Fox			
Richard Kemp			
Robert Lindsay	✕		
Inga Lockington	✕		
Victor Lukaniuk	✕		
David Nettleton			
Penny Otton	✕		
Caroline Page	✕		
Andrew Stringer	✕		
David Wood	✕		

Independent	For	Against	Abstain
Steve Ardley			