

## Suffolk County Council meeting Thursday 9 February 2023, vote taken on Agenda Item 7 Revenue Budget 2023-2024 and Capital Programme 2023-2027, Green, Liberal Democrat and Independent (GLI) Group Budget Amendment.

Motion Amendment – Proposed by Councillor Andrew Stringer and seconded by Councillor Robert Lindsay.

Motion Text: Suffolk GLI Budget Amendment

GLI will propose an amendment to increase the council tax up **by 0.89%** above the Administration's current proposal. This will generate an additional **£3.362m** which is equivalent to an additional:

- a **£12.78 annual rise/ 25 pence weekly rise** for a Band D property, and
- a **£9.94 annual rise / 19 pence weekly rise** for a Band B property (the most common property type in Suffolk)

With the additional funding, the GLI Group propose:

- 1) To provide additional investment to employ a Carbon Budget Officer to lead SCC to a clearer path to Net Zero by 2030. **(£50k)**.
- 2) To provide additional funding for Suffolk Library Services to help absorb budgetary/inflationary costs and provide a necessary service that generates £6.07 in Suffolk for every £1 invested **(£300k)**.
- 3) To provide additional funding for Suffolk Community Transport to help them invest in and electrify their minibus and car fleet. **(£1m)**.
- 4) To fund the first phase of a "sign and line only" approach to reduce speeds in residential areas via a pilot, as well as an engagement and communications strategy to support transition and implementation. **(£1m)**.
- 5) To not increase the vacancy factor in ACS, as proposed by the Conservatives, to recognise the risk that staff recruitment will accelerate enabling ACS to fully recruit to their staffing establishment for social workers in 2023-24. **(£1m)**.
- 6) However, redirect **£50k** of the above funding to employ a Good Will Officer within the ACS Directorate – responsible for working with external stakeholders and carers to ensure a wider, more direct pool of local benefits for carers – in the eventual lead to the adopting of a 'Suffolk Carers Cultural Pass', aimed to increase retention levels of carers.
- 7) To provide funding to facilitate an initiative to create a Suffolk Carers Cultural Pass, to help retain/recruit Suffolk carers. **(£12k)**.

<b>Total results</b>	
For	11
Against	42
Abstain	4

### Conservative Group

<b>Councillor's Name</b>	<b>For</b>	<b>Against</b>	<b>Abstain</b>
Edward Back		Against	
Peter Beer		Against	
Bobby Bennett		Against	
Stuart Bird		Against	
Elaine Bryce		Against	
Stephen Burroughes		Against	
Nadia Cenci			
Jenny Ceresa			
Chris Chambers		Against	
Judy Cloke			
Andy Drummond		Against	
Robert Everitt		Against	
Philip Faircloth-Mutton		Against	
James Finch		Against	
Jessica Fleming		Against	
Mick Fraser		Against	
David Goldsmith			
Peter Gould			
Georgia Hall		Against	
Liz Harsant			
Ryan Harvey		Against	
T-J Haworth-Culf			
Matthew Hicks		Against	
Rachel Hood		Against	
Beccy Hopfensperger		Against	
Christopher Hudson		Against	
Michael Ladd		Against	
Stuart Lawson		Against	
Joe Mason		Against	
Debbie McCallum		Against	
Patti Mulcahy			
Sam Murray		Against	
David Nettleton			
Alexander Nicoll		Against	
Colin Noble		Against	
Kay Oakes			
James Reeder		Against	
Andrew Reid		Against	
Debbie Richards		Against	
Craig Rivett			

David Roach		Against	
Keith Robinson		Against	
Richard Rout		Against	
Richard Smith MVO		Against	
Karen Soons		Against	
Heike Sowa		Against	
Joanna Spicer		Against	
Lance Stanbury		Against	
Jamie Starling			
Peter Thompson		Against	
Melanie Vigo di Gallidoro		Against	
Paul West		Against	
Steve Wiles		Against	
Nathan Wilson		Against	

### **Green, Liberal Democrat and Independent Group**

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

### **Labour Group**

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