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Agenda

Time	Session
09:00	Registration, refreshments, discussion group sign up and an opportunity to visit sponsor tables
09:45	Welcome Address and Centre of Excellence Overview Andrew Cook, Executive Director of Growth, Highways and Infrastructure, Suffolk County Council
09:50	Setting the Scene Cllr Richard Rout, Cabinet Member for Devolution, Local Government Reform, and NSIPs, Suffolk County Council
10:00	Overview - Planning and Infrastructure Bill Emily Davies, Senior Planning Officer, NSIP Reform, Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government (MHCLG)
10:20	NSIP Consultation Emyr Thomas, Partner and Parliamentary Agent, Sharpe Pritchard LLP
10:40	Panel Discussion: Planning and Infrastructure Bill Chaired by Andrew Cook, Executive Director of Growth, Highways and Infrastructure, Suffolk County Council Panellists: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chris Poulton, Team Leader: NSIP Pre-Application, Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government (MHCLG) Jamie Childs, Partner, Howes Percival LLP Cllr Richard Rout, Cabinet Member for Devolution, Local Government Reform, and NSIPs, Suffolk County Council Mark Williets, Assistant Director of Planning and Climate Change, North Kesteven District Council

11:25	Refreshments, networking and an opportunity to visit sponsor tables
11:45	<p>Discussion Groups: Engaging with Promoters Facilitated by NIPA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion Group 1: Pre-Application (<i>The Education Room</i>) • Discussion Group 2: Pre-examination and Examination (<i>Seminar Room A</i>) • Discussion Group 3: Implementation (<i>Seminar Room B</i>) <p><i>Attendees will be asked to sign up to a session on the day</i></p>
12:45	<p>Feedback from the Discussion Groups Led by facilitators</p>
13:15	Lunch, networking and an opportunity to visit sponsor tables
14:15	<p>The Importance of Local Impact Reports Michael Bedford KC, Barrister, Cornerstone Barristers</p>
14:35	<p>Engaging with the NSIP Promoter on Environment Design to Achieve Positive Outcomes Peta Donkin, Director, LDA Design</p>
14:55	<p>Closing Remarks Andrew Cook, Executive Director of Growth, Highways and Infrastructure, Suffolk County Council</p>
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