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From: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@gmail.com>

Sent: 16 July 2026 16:00

To: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@suffolk.gov.uk>

Subject: Re: SDS and Forest City

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Excellent thank you. See you soon and have a good weekend (hope you are managing to stay cool!)

Regards

[REDACTED]

Sent from my iPad

On 16 Jul 2026, at 15:52, [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@suffolk.gov.uk> wrote:

Thanks [REDACTED], I have just sent the Teams invite. [REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@gmail.com>

Sent: 16 July 2026 15:50

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[REDACTED],

Thank you for coming back with the proposed dates and current SDS status. All understood and actually, perhaps unusually for a development proposal, we are absolutely happy to be considered in the collective rather than in isolation...I insisted on that or I wouldn't be here [REDACTED]

If it is still available could we please meet 10-11 Monday 20/07? If that works, I would be grateful if you could send a Teams appt through. Thank you very much for your time and I look forward to speaking with you.

Regards

[REDACTED]

Sent from my iPad

On 16 Jul 2026, at 14:53, [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@suffolk.gov.uk> wrote:

Dear [REDACTED],

Sorry for the delay in getting back to you.

I have the following availability if you have time that fits:

Monday 20th July between 10am -12pm and 1pm – 2pm

Tuesday 21st July 2-3pm

Wednesday 22nd July 9:30am – 10:30am

Thursday 23rd July 11am-12pm and 1pm-3pm

As you have probably picked up the reality with the Norfolk and Suffolk SDS is that it is still at pre-inception stage, but I am happy to chat and understand more about your proposal.

You will be well aware that we are waiting for the SDS regulations which we understand could be nearer Christmas, and following this we will need to submit an SDS timetable and formal preparation likely required to start by 1st April 2027.

So far we've hosted workshops with senior authority/body officers to explore opportunities and challenges, and we are just about to appoint a consultant to produce a baseline, Infrastructure Framework and summary of the existing plans covering the area.

Ultimately as you will be aware the SDS needs to progress and your proposal can't be taken in isolation, and will need to engage with the SDS at the appropriate time, where the SDS will assess all strategic options.

Look forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards,

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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Many thanks [REDACTED]. I look forward to hearing from you.

Regards

[REDACTED]

Sent from my iPhone

On 9 Jul 2026, at 17:26, [REDACTED]
<[REDACTED]@suffolk.gov.uk> wrote:

Dear [REDACTED], thanks for reaching out and providing the background, let me get back to you on dates next week.

Kind regards,

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Good afternoon [REDACTED],

My name is [REDACTED] and apologies if we have, but I do not think we have met before. I am a consultant but up until a few years ago had spent the last 25 years working across local government delivering all levels of plans and strategies (amongst other roles, [REDACTED])

[REDACTED] in response to the return of strategic planning, I have been doing quite a bit of work with others to support and advise the Government and Local Government on strategic planning. I have been working almost exclusively supporting Strategic Authorities to get ready for the imminent duty to complete an SDS.

I say almost exclusively as I have been asked very recently to help develop a spatial strategy and advise on an SDS approach for Albion Forest City in Suffolk. It is a very unique proposition and I am aware there are mixed reactions to it: but we have been encouraged both by the minister and local political leaders to prepare this proposal for due and legitimate review and consideration through local process. Given its scale, location spanning two sub-regions and the duration of delivery this really only can be addressed legitimately through the emerging SDS development process.

To this end, and following direct engagement between the scheme's lead proponent, [REDACTED], and the Leader of Suffolk CC Cllr Hadwen, I am contacting you with hopes to meet up and discuss the proposals further. I believe SCC along with Norfolk are just embarking on SDS pre-inception work so I am hopeful the timing is ideal: first to allow me to understand better how your emerging programme will work and how we can best fit in with the programme; second, to allow me to share some early thoughts with how we can properly prepare the Forest City masterplan in such a way as to be a potential spatial option for consideration in both the Suffolk/Norfolk SDS as well as the SDS for CPCA.

I am meeting with [REDACTED] at CPCA to discuss the same matters this week and ask if it is possible that we meet some time over the next 10 days or so if you are available? I am happy to just meet with yourself, but if there are others you would want present, please bring them along.

I look forward to hearing from you.

regards

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