

County Councillor Report



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Palgrave Parish Council

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Greenest County Awards on 12th November at The Hold, Ipswich –This year’s award categories include biodiversity and landscape, business, community, schools, waste and recycling. [READ MORE](#)

Suffolk Retrofit Conference – SCC’s Climate Change Committee is hosting an online ‘drop-in’ even on November 23rd – 25th to explore low carbon options for upgrading homes and buildings. Refer to <https://www.lowcarbonhomes.uk/events/suffolk-november-23-2021/>

An Off Shore Electricity Grid Task Force (OffSET) –regional MPs and Councillors chaired by Sir Bernard Jenkin come together to respond to the Government’s Offshore Network Transmission Review (OTNR). The national targets of Net Zero by 2050 and 40GW of Offshore Wind demand major new infrastructure (pylons and substations) in Norfolk, Suffolk, and Essex over the coming decades; these will have significant impacts on the environment, landscape and communities.

Sizewell C – SCC submitted comments on the proposal in October with some significant issues remaining. The County’s response in full is on the [Sizewell C nuclear power plant page](#).

New Trees - A joint bid by Suffolk authorities to the Forestry Commission has secured £150K to plant trees for this coming season. The successful bid will pass through the Local Authority Treescapes Fund. Participating local authorities will access funds for planting at suitable locations, with advice gratefully received from the Suffolk Tree Warden Network.

Suffolk Lorry Route Review - The review will update and validate the Council’s lorry route network and includes: Collision records, Traffic Regulations; Road network; Public complaints and Data from Lorry Watch schemes. The Community led review runs from **22 Oct.** to **17 Dec. 2021**. Surveys are going to all Parish and Town Councils and Co. Councillors. The review will be completed in Spring **2022**. For more information: [Lorry Route Plan review in Suffolk | Suffolk County Council](#)

Covid Vaccination and Booster Service – Information about the Suffolk and NE Essex services for Covid vaccinations and boosters can be found on: <https://sneevaccine.org.uk/> Boosters are available for people who meet the eligibility criteria six months after their second vaccination, regardless of vaccine received, and others in vulnerable categories. Walk in clinics offering the booster are listed on the web site, or contact the Patient Helpline - [0344 257 3961](tel:03442573961) .