As you may be aware there have been a number of significant developments since the last Lowestoft Growth & Regeneration Board meeting on 8th November 2019. The most significant of these is the invitation from MHCLG for East Suffolk Council, in its role as 'Lead Council' to bid for Towns Fund funding of up to £25m to support the delivery of a Town Investment Plan. As part of the Towns Fund process we have been advised that an Town Partnership Board should be established consisting of the key local govt, local MP, business sector, academia, communities and voluntary representatives. As a result of the creation of this new board, to be named the Lowestoft Place Board, we have decided to bring the Lowestoft Growth and Regeneration Board (LGRB), of which you are a member, to an end since there is such a high degree of crossover between the two boards.

The majority of organisations represented on the LGRB will continue to be present on the new board, however due to managing the size of the new board and the strong direction received from MHCLG on attendees, some will not. It is important to note however, that those no longer attending the overarching Lowestoft board will continue to be properly represented on the thematic boards, as well as a Lowestoft Ambassadors Group, which feed into the Place Board and as such will still have an opportunity to input and significantly influence works.

I would just like to take this opportunity to thank you for your valuable contribution to the LGRB and hope that you will continue to be active in your support for the ambitious plans we all have for Lowestoft.

Regards

Paul





Paul Wood | Head of Economic Development & Regeneration

East Suffolk Council

01394 444249

07798 797275

 $\underline{www.eastsuffolk.gov.uk} \quad \underline{www.eastsuffolkmeansbusiness.co.u} \\ \underline{k}$

East Suffolk Council is a new district authority which, from April 2019, delivers services for the residents, businesses and communities previously served by Suffolk Coastal and Waveney District Councils