CABINET MEMBERS REPORT TO COUNCIL

<u>13 JULY 2023</u>

COUNCILLOR ALISTAIR BEALES - CABINET MEMBER FOR BUSINESS

For the period 19 May to 13th July 2023

1 **Progress on Portfolio Matters.**

This first report will be necessarily brief, as firstly, this is a new administration and we are all new in post and secondly, my employment in land management and agriculture is demanding and unpredictable at this time of year. Mostly due to preparations for the cereal harvest and harvest itself. That second point is an important one as I have always strongly believed that any administration and any Council benefits from as wide a cross section of councillors as possible. An important demographic in that cross section is, in my view, working parents. Well, that's me.

With regard to the portfolio itself, I have had many meetings with officers and colleagues to familiarise myself with the role and responsibilities.

2 Forthcoming Activities and Developments.

Further meetings with officers, colleagues and other representatives.

3 Meetings Attended and Meetings Scheduled

18th May – Annual Council
24th May – Cabinet meet and greet with CEA and Management Team
25th May – Cabinet sifting
26th May – inspection of Lynnsport tree planting
1st June – meeting with Monitoring Officer & Assistant to the CEO
5th June – meeting with Executive Director (Place)
5th June – meeting with Assistant Director Programme & Project Delivery
5th June – meeting with Executive Director (Place)
7th June – meeting with Executive Director (Place)
7th June – meeting with Strategic Housing & Community Safety Manager
7th June – tour of Major Projects

8th June - meeting with Executive Director (Place)
13th June - meeting with Assistant Director Programme & Project Delivery
15th June – Towns Fund briefing
15th June – Cabinet briefing
20th June – all day Cabinet meeting re Corporate Plan
21st June – UKSPF/REPF briefing with officers
(UK Shared Prosperity Fund and Rural England Prosperity Fund)
23rd June – meeting with Royal Norfolk Agricultural Association
27th June – meeting re transport options for Kings Lynn