

## **MATTER SC6B – Comments from Cllr Dr Hawkins**

### **Policy SS/7 Northstowe Extension - South Cambridgeshire Local Plan, Chapter 3, Strategic Sites**

The infrastructure costs envisaged for the Northstowe development are substantial. Some of the aspirations for Northstowe have been watered down due to the infrastructure costs involved. In particular, the level of affordable housing has gone from 40% to 20%.

It would seem prudent therefore that rather than spreading infrastructure costs across the district into 3 new towns, the development could benefit from additional funds, which could be generated from an extension to the plan.

#### **Conclusion**

The authority should therefore consider moving some of the 3500 allocation from SS/6 to Northstowe, so that infrastructure costs are not spread but concentrated in one area, giving Northstowe a better chance at being sustainable and viable.