

## Officer assessment summary of the Northstowe Church Network bid

The applicant presented clear information about how they substantiated the need for their proposals. However, the panel found that it was unclear concerning the extent to which other faith groups outside those they have collaborated with had been consulted.

The applicant presented clear evidence of association with Northstowe dating back several years.

Within the application, it was evident that the needs of the wider community and benefits to the collaborating groups had been well considered, with clear efforts to be inclusive.

The professional support requirement for development of the facility was clearly itemised. A strong committee structure for the delivery phase was described and operational board, including youth engagement for the operational phase. However, the panel identified the need for voluntary support to sustain the operation long term as a risk.

The applicant has an established financial track record. A clear description of how the project would be funded was supplied.