

**Greater Norwich Local Plan (GNLP) Statement of Common
Ground (SoCG)**

Between

Broadland District Council, South Norfolk Council,

Norwich City Council, Norfolk County Council

And

**New Anglia LEP (Local Enterprise Partnership for Norfolk
and Suffolk)**

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Introduction

The Greater Norwich Local Plan (GNLP) allocates the four brownfield regeneration sites by the rivers Wensum and Yare that comprise the East Norwich Strategic Regeneration Area (ESRA). These four sites are:

- a) Land at the Deal Ground, Bracondale and Trowse Pumping Station in Norwich and the former May Gurney site at Trowse in South Norfolk (approx. 21.35 ha)
- b) Land at Carrow Works, Norwich (approx. 19.91 ha)
- c) Utilities Site, Norwich (approx. 6.92 ha)
- d) Land in front of ATB Lawrence Scott (0.39 ha)

Following the announcement in 2018 by Britvic/Unilever to vacate the Carrow Works site, Norwich City Council commissioned a study, 'A Vision for East Norwich' (5th Studio, 2018), to understand the possibilities for regenerating these key brownfield sites. Then, in 2020, the East Norwich Partnership (ENP) was established, which brings together key public and private sector partners to oversee East Norwich's regeneration. Currently, the ENP is overseeing a masterplanning process, which began in March 2021, and is being led by consultants Avison Young.

To explain the work that is being done to deliver the East Norwich Strategic Regeneration Area, this statement of common ground in respect to the Greater Norwich Local Plan considers the following three points.

1. The involvement of New Anglia LEP to date in the masterplanning of the East Norwich Strategic Regeneration Area
2. New Anglia LEP intends to engage in the future with elements of the masterplan to secure the regeneration of East Norwich
3. The funding streams that New Anglia LEP are or could potentially make available to support the East Norwich Strategic Regeneration Area

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1. The involvement of New Anglia LEP to date in the masterplanning of the East Norwich Strategic Regeneration Area

New Anglia LEP is already a member of the East Norwich Partnership (ENP), established in 2020, and actively engages in its meetings that occur every two months. Its role is:

- To provide strategic oversight of the regeneration of East Norwich and production of the masterplan.
- To work together in delivering a masterplan that will drive production of a vision for the regeneration of East Norwich that is deliverable, and capable of informing policy in the GNLP.
- To form the basis of a supplementary planning document capable of adoption by the relevant planning authorities.

Unlike most other members of the ENP, New Anglia LEP is not a member of the East Norwich Masterplan steering group, due to its criteria on funding revenue projects, but is nevertheless supportive of the work being done.

2. New Anglia LEP's intentions to engage in the future with delivery of elements of the masterplan to secure the regeneration of East Norwich

New Anglia LEP is a locally owned partnership between businesses, local authorities, and the education sector that transforms the economy in Norfolk and Suffolk by securing funds from government to help businesses grow, and to assist with infrastructure provision. New Anglia LEP regards itself as a long-term stakeholder in the East Norwich Partnership, with the responsibility that businesses have the funding, support, skills, and infrastructure needed to flourish. The future role of New Anglia LEP to East Norwich is not possible to precisely define at present but might feature investment that enables place-shaping, the creation of businesses, and programmes to enhance the skills of the workforce.

3. The funding streams that New Anglia LEP are or could potentially make available to support the East Norwich Strategic Regeneration Area

New Anglia LEP provides various public and private sector collaboration opportunities that could be relevant to the delivery of the ESRA. These will be explored in due course as the current East Norwich Masterplan evolves but will likely feature grant funding to help deliver jobs, skills training and infrastructure. For which current examples are government capital grant programmes, such as the Getting Building Fund, and Growth Deal.

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