

Parish Report –MAY 2023

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www.suffolk.gov.uk/CostOfLiving

For information on supporting Ukrainian refugees in Suffolk, email:

refugeesupport@suffolk.gov.uk or ukrainesupport@communityactionsuffolk.org.uk

GLI Motion Voted In: New Chamber Recommit to Net Zero

At Full Council, last month the GLI Group proposed a motion for SCC to recommit to its declaration to be Net Zero by 2030. And declare a climate emergency The original declaration, made in 2019, Since then, we have had an election which means 31 Cllrs have yet to formally commit themselves to Net Zero by 2030.

In January, it was announced in the Carbon Budget that SCC is not on track to achieve Net Zero by 2030. In proposing the motion, we should prioritise building a clearer roadmap to protecting our environment. The motion was passed almost unanimously, with 2 Conservative Cllrs abstaining.

New Woman's Flag up in SCC

Women's History Month was celebrated throughout March, with International Women's Day being on 8th March. Last year, GLI Spokesperson for Women, Cllr Caroline Page, wrote to Suffolk County Council, asking that them to purchase a Suffragette Flag to fly proudly in celebrating a women's **story**.

CROSS STREET; have asked highways to confirm date of cutting

NEW FIRE AND POLICE STATION IN STOWMARKET; this was opened in March

SCHOOL GOVERNORS REQUIRED; there is a vacancy for a school governor at Thurston community college. Anyone interested let me know

Also new fencing and gates are to be provided at the Beyton campus

Homes for Ukraine: SCC Commit to More Money

Suffolk County Council has announced additional financial support for household homing Ukrainian refugees. They can now receive upto £2,000 to be able to move into their own accommodation.

Those who have homed a Ukrainian refugee for a minimum of 6 months will receive an additional £150 per month (in addition to the £350 monthly payment, which will rise to £500 after guests have stayed 12 months).

However, once the £500 monthly payment has been received, the council will stop its additional funding.

For more information, please visit: www.suffolk.gov.uk/ukraine

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