



15 October 2026, Newmarket Racecourse, Suffolk

AGENDA

Time	Session
08:30	Arrival and registration, exhibition and networking
09:30	Conference Starts – Welcome Cllr Lucy Nethsingha, Leader, Cambridgeshire County Council and Chair of Climate Forum East
09:35	What might a flourishing, prosperous, nature positive, climate resilient East of England look like? Craig Bennett OBE, Chief Executive of The Wildlife Trusts
10:05	Living with Change: Building a Sustainable Future in a Changing Climate Chris Hines MBE
10:35	Refreshments, exhibition, networking, time to move to workshops and seminars
11:15	Workshops and Seminars: SESSION 1 • Workshop: Building Water-Resilient Places: Circular Economy and Infrastructure in Practice • Workshop: Local Power Plan – the Board Game • Workshop: Flood Resilience is Everyone's Business: What Role Will You Play? • Workshop: Healthy Places, Resilient Futures: Tackling the Impact of Climate Change on Health Inequalities • Workshop: From Ambition to Action: Shaping Sustainable Places • Seminar: Climate X Transport: Scaling Innovation for Decarbonisation, Resilience and Growth • Seminar: Adaptation In Action – The Natural Environment Attendees will be asked in advance to choose which sessions they would like to attend on the day.
12:15	Lunch, exhibition and networking
13:15	Workshops and Seminars: SESSION 2 (repeat of Session 1)
14:15	Time to move to main plenary and short comfort break
14:30	Welcome back Cllr Lucy Nethsingha, Leader, Cambridgeshire County Council and Chair of Climate Forum East
14:35	Collaboration in Practice: Delivering a fair, place-based, future-ready transition Steven Trehwella, Director, Rivelin Bridge
15:05	The Power of Working Together: Accelerating the UK's Energy Transition Beatrice Filkin, Director Major Projects, Ofgem
15:35	Summary and close Cllr Lucy Nethsingha, Leader, Cambridgeshire County Council and Chair of Climate Forum East
15:45	Optional networking and refreshments
16:30	Conference close

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