

**AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COLCHESTER BOROUGH COUNCIL OF
THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND AND
THE CITY OF YANGZHOU OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA
ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF FRIENDSHIP CITY RELATIONSHIP**

Colchester Borough Council of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the City of Yangzhou of the People's Republic of China, acting in accordance with the principles of the Joint Communiqué on the Establishment of Diplomatic Relations between the People's Republic of China and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, wishing to enhance mutual understanding and friendship between the British and Chinese peoples, consolidate and develop friendly cooperation between the Borough of Colchester and the City of Yangzhou, and through friendly consultations, have reached agreement on the establishment of a Friendship City relationship.

- I. The two sides will carry out, in accordance with the principles of equality and mutual benefit, exchanges and cooperation between the Borough of Colchester and the City of Yangzhou in various forms in the fields of economy, trade, science and technology, culture, education, sports, health, personnel, etc. to promote common prosperity and development.
- II. Regular contacts shall be maintained between the leaders and relevant departments of the two sides to facilitate consultations on the exchanges and cooperation as well as matters of common concern.
- III. This Agreement shall come into force from the date of signature. It will be valid for five years. Upon expiration, it may remain in force if neither side terminates it.
- IV. This Agreement, signed on 28 September, 2015 in Yangzhou, is done in duplicate in the Chinese and English languages, both texts being equally authentic.

Colchester Borough Council
Of the United Kingdom of Great
Britain and Northern Ireland

City of Yangzhou
Of the People's Republic of China