

DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT for APRIL 2022  
to PALGRAVE PARISH COUNCIL'S MEETING on 12 MAY 2022

**Ground-breaking ceremony marks start of construction at Gateway 14**

Construction is now officially underway at Gateway 14 – the multi-million pound business, innovation and logistics development in Stowmarket.

[Find out more](#) (25 April)

**Playing our part to support Ukrainian refugees**

Both Babergh and Mid Suffolk District Councils have pledged their full backing for the Ukrainian people, with support for refugees arriving in our districts as part of the Homes for Ukraine scheme.

Both councils are represented on Suffolk's Ukraine Task Group alongside representatives from the county's other local authorities, three Clinical Commissioning Groups, Health Outreach, Suffolk police, Suffolk Refugee Support, Anglia Care Trust and Community Action Suffolk.

Our officers are responsible for carrying out property inspections of homes once sponsors in Babergh and Mid Suffolk are matched with a Ukraine family or individual by the Home Office. We are working hard to ensure homes are appropriate and safe as quickly as possible. More information is available on our website, including how to sign up for a weekly email update. [Find out more](#)

**Payments of council tax energy rebates now underway**

Payments of the Government's £150 energy rebate are now well underway for eligible households across Babergh and Mid Suffolk. [Find out more](#)

**Councils announce more accessible facilities**

Four new Changing Places facilities will be created in key visitor locations in Babergh and Mid Suffolk following a successful bid for grant funding for almost £200,000.

[Find out more](#) (14 April)

*David Burn*