

Your briefing notes for town and parish councils



Babergh & Mid Suffolk Councils

Councils renew call for urgent government action to end council housing funding crisis

Babergh and Mid Suffolk District Councils have renewed their call for urgent government action to end the financial crisis that is currently facing council housing.

New community transport services to better connect Mid Suffolk

Two new community transport services are to launch in Mid Suffolk next month – to better connect local communities and reduce emissions.

Redundant school site provides top class council homes

Next month 24 families will pick up the keys to their new town centre homes, following the transformation of the former Stowmarket Middle School site into affordable rent council housing.

Council considers package of improvements for Stowmarket

Mid Suffolk councillors are considering a raft of new measures to support Stowmarket town centre, enhance the street scene and improve the quality of life for residents.

Troubleshooting taskforce about to hit the streets?

Mid Suffolk councillors are considering a £360K boost for street cleansing and ground maintenance – including the creation of a new troubleshooting taskforce to tackle litter hotspots, fly tipping, and graffiti across the district.

Fund launched with £270,000 available for community projects

Mid Suffolk District Council has opened applications to a “unique” new fund which will make £270,000 available to community organisations and projects over the next three years.

Crucial grant aimed at tackling social isolation in winter returns for second year

A grant aimed at tackling social isolation in winter has returned for a second year, thanks to funding from Babergh and Mid Suffolk District Councils.

Increased bin collections set to herald ‘recycling revolution’

Residents in Babergh and Mid Suffolk will get more opportunities to recycle from 2026 as part of nationwide changes to waste collections.

‘We will protect our heritage’ – Council’s pledge as Shrubland Hall owner fined

The owner of Grade II* listed Shrubland Hall has been fined £3,600 after two structures were erected on the historic estate without planning permission.

Cash injection for communities in Babergh and Mid Suffolk

Town and parish councils in Babergh and Mid Suffolk are set to receive more than £979,000 in developer contributions to help community infrastructure keep pace with housing growth.

Council backs new Community Rail Partnership

Mid Suffolk District Council is supporting the formation of Greater Anglia's new Community Rail Partnership for the Ipswich to Cambridge rail route.

More time to get your Suffolk solar panel and battery storage quote

Suffolk's Solar Together scheme deadline has been extended to 15 November 2024 - with over 3,100 Suffolk residents already signed up for a quote.

Businesses recognised as Innovation Awards shortlist revealed

The finalists for the Babergh and Mid Suffolk District Councils Innovation Awards have been revealed.

Exciting programme of half term activities for children in Babergh and Mid Suffolk

Children across the districts have a wide range of activities to choose from this half term thanks to a programme of events put together by Babergh and Mid Suffolk District Councils.

Suffolk councils join national campaign to save recycling from the bin

The Suffolk Waste Partnership joins Recycle Week to celebrate Suffolk's recycling and help save packaging from the rubbish bin.

Students given opportunity to debate climate issues at COP-style event

Almost 100 year 8 and 9 students from schools across Babergh and Mid Suffolk will take part in a COP-style event next month.

Rural Housing Event – Wednesday 6 November

Babergh and Mid Suffolk District Councils are hosting a rural housing event. Come along to hear about the benefits of rural led housing schemes.