

# Your briefing notes for town and parish councils



Babergh & Mid Suffolk Councils

## [Mid Suffolk agrees to progress plans for three unitary councils](#)

Councillors at a meeting of Mid Suffolk District Council gave the green light to progress plans for three new unitary councils as part of the biggest shake-up of local government in 50 years.

## [Town centre fund could hit the bullseye with new darts venue](#)

A community darts venue could be the first new venture to take flight in Stowmarket thanks to council initiative to enhance the town centre.

## [Gateway to new era for Bauder](#)

International manufacturer Bauder Ltd is celebrating the start of a new era with the handover of its 44,000sq ft distribution centre at Gateway 14, Stowmarket.

## [£300k per year to revitalise rural communities](#)

Revitalising rural high streets, improving infrastructure and protecting community assets is the aim of a new fund launched by Mid Suffolk District Council.

## [Developer fined £20,000 for failing to complete landscaping](#)

Magistrates have fined a housing developer £20,000 for failing to finish landscaping at a 21-home development in Badwell Ash.

## [Suffolk's Big Weekend announced, with attractions encouraged to sign up](#)

Tourism, leisure and hospitality businesses across Suffolk are being invited to showcase what they offer by taking part in the newly expanded Suffolk Big Weekend.

## [New homes for council tenants in Bramford](#)

Councillors were on hand to accept the keys to another eight affordable homes in Bramford this week, following on from 16 new-build properties received last month.

## [£415k pot for improving rural businesses](#)

From cowshed conversions to solar power transformations, rural businesses are receiving a helping hand to grow and diversify, thanks to a new grant from Babergh and Mid Suffolk District Councils.

## [Needham Lake wins coveted Green Flag Award](#)

Needham Lake has been officially recognised as one of the country's best green spaces, winning a prestigious Green Flag Award.

## [Pioneering partnership helps Suffolk residents 'Feel Good Vibes' this summer](#)

Feel Good Suffolk is launching a new campaign to promote the free support available to help the county's residents enjoy a healthier summer.

## [Mid Suffolk and Babergh to host second stage of the Lloyds Tour of Britain Men](#)

Britain's biggest professional cycle race and the UK's largest free-to-spectate live sporting event will return to Suffolk this September, as the opening stages of the race take place in the region on Tuesday 2 and Wednesday 3 September.

## [Funding agreed for £5.2million pavilion as part of district's sporting upgrade](#)

Mid Suffolk District Council's cabinet has approved funding for a new £5.2million sports pavilion in Stowmarket – the latest investment in upgrading sporting facilities in Mid Suffolk.

## [£50k to boost community pride across Mid Suffolk](#)

Applications for Mid Suffolk District Council's Pride in Your Place grant have reopened, offering funding to projects that bolster community pride and celebrate the heritage of towns and villages across the district.