

# Your briefing notes for town and parish councils



Babergh & Mid Suffolk Councils

## Local Government Reorganisation – latest

We are still awaiting the Government's promised feedback on our interim plan for local government reorganisation, submitted in March, but in the meantime we continue to work with the other district and borough councils to progress proposals for either two or three unitary councils to meet the differing needs of our county's diverse communities.

An important part of this process will be seeking the views of our town and parish councils, and the residents, businesses, organisations and communities across our districts.

We will be in touch over coming weeks with further information and would be grateful for your help to spread the message locally. Please look out for more details soon.

## New regional mayor can bring benefits – but local views must be heard, councils say

The Government's proposed new Mayor for Suffolk and Norfolk can bring benefits to the region, but local communities must be fairly represented.

## New-look grant sees more than £580k given to community projects

From filmmaking workshops to mental health support for young people, dozens of community projects across Babergh and Mid Suffolk have received a share of more than £580,000 as part of a new grant from the district councils.

## Cash injection for communities in Babergh and Mid Suffolk

Town and parish councils in Babergh and Mid Suffolk are set to receive more than £813,000 in developer contributions to help community infrastructure keep pace with housing growth.

## Solar partnership brings boost for businesses

A new pilot partnership is set to turn solar energy into savings for businesses in Babergh and Mid Suffolk.

## Council designates new conservation area to protect historic and special part of Suffolk

Babergh District Council has designated a new conservation area in south Suffolk to protect an area rich in history and architecture.

## Free compost for Babergh and Mid Suffolk residents

Green-fingered residents in Babergh and Mid Suffolk can collect free compost in May as part of a drive to get people growing.



# Grant Funding Surgeries

**Babergh and Mid Suffolk  
Community Grants Team**

## What's On?

### SPEAKERS

The Community Grants Team will share information about funding and support available for community groups in Babergh and Mid Suffolk. We will also hear from guest speakers from

- Community Action Suffolk
- The National Lottery
- MSDC Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Team

### Q&A SESSION

After the presentations our speakers will be available for a Q&A session – have your questions ready!

### 1 to 1 FUNDING SESSION

Attendees can schedule a 1 to 1 funding session appointment on the day with members of the Community Grants team

## Look out for our upcoming events

Mellis Memorial Hall	14 <sup>th</sup> May	10:00-12:00
Eye Town Hall	14 <sup>th</sup> May	14:00-16:00
Norton Village Hall	5 <sup>th</sup> June	10:00-12:30
Great Blakenham Village Hall	10 <sup>th</sup> July	10:00-12:30
Stowmarket Cedars Park	9 <sup>th</sup> Oct	10:00-13:30
Sudbury Town Hall	16 <sup>th</sup> Oct	10:00-13:30
Hadleigh Town Hall	23 <sup>rd</sup> Oct	09:30-12:00
Shotley Village Hall	23 <sup>rd</sup> Oct	14:00-16:30

**Email us to book your place:**

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