

Babergh and Mid Suffolk Joint Local Plan

You may have heard that we are currently inviting everyone to have their say on the new Babergh and Mid Suffolk Joint Local Plan.

What is the Joint Local Plan?

The Joint Local Plan will inform how our Districts will develop over the next 20 years and will set out the policies against which planning applications will be considered, along with any Neighbourhood Plans that are made.

There is a need to deliver more housing in our Districts - the Joint Local Plan will identify where new housing should go and what types of housing should be built. It will also seek to promote our economy by identifying land for businesses and setting out policies for the future of our town centres. Alongside this, the Joint Local Plan will set out an approach to protecting and enhancing our environment and delivering infrastructure.

Potential sites for development are also identified – your views on these will be important when the Councils decide which sites to allocate for development in the Joint Local Plan.

Where can I find out more?

A series of drop in events are being held where anyone can come along and find out more. These are being held at:

Monday 2nd October – The Blackbourne Community Centre, Blackbourne Road, Elmswell, IP30 9GY

Wednesday 4th October – United Reformed Church, Ipswich Street, Stowmarket, IP14 1AD

Thursday 5th October – Eye Community Centre, Magdalen Street, Eye, IP23 7AJ

Monday 9th October – Tattingstone Village Hall, School Road, Tattingstone, IP9 2NA

Wednesday 11th October – Hadleigh Town Hall, The Guildhall, Market Place, Hadleigh, IP7 5DN

Thursday 12th October – Sudbury Town Hall, Old Market Place, Sudbury, CO10 1TL

All events will run from 2pm to 7pm.

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To view the consultation online visit:

www.babergh.gov.uk/jointlocalplan

www.midsuffolk.gov.uk/jointlocalplan

Paper copies of the consultation document are also available in the Councils' offices and in libraries in the Districts.

How can I comment?

Comments should ideally be submitted online via the websites above.

Alternatively comments can be emailed or posted to us. A comments form, containing details of how to comment, can be downloaded from the websites or collected from the Councils' offices or from libraries in the Districts.

Comments on the Joint Local Plan must be received by **5pm on Friday 10th November 2017**.

What happens next?

We will consider all of the comments received before we publish the next version of the Joint Local Plan for further consultation.

Email: localplan@baberghmidsuffolk.gov.uk

Phone: 0300 123 4000 (select option 5, then option 4)

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The events in Sudbury and Stowmarket will also include additional special 'Vision For Prosperity' events for the two towns. The Councils are seeking views on the public's priorities for delivering projects within the towns. See more at www.babergh.gov.uk/VFPSudbury or www.midsuffolk.gov.uk/VFPStow and follow us on twitter at #VFPSudbury and #VFPStow

