

Babergh District Council Annual Report 2024/25

May

- Food waste collections for Babergh and Mid-Suffolk Residents from 2026 announced
- Cllr Deborah Saw Elected as the new leader of Babergh District Council

June

- An additional 47 new electric charge points are now available in Babergh and MS car parks thanks to a £300K grant.

July

- Babergh to clear the way for listed building energy upgrades in a new approach which is the first of its kind in the country.

August

- Babergh and Mid Suffolk District Councils publish their full response to National Grid's Norwich to Tilbury consultation
- Residents in Babergh and Mid Suffolk will not only see the introduction of new weekly food waste collections from 2026, but could also enjoy a 'recycling revolution' under new plans

September

- Babergh and Mid Suffolk District Councils support five-point action plan being put to the Government urging them to save Council homes.
- Extensive repairs required at Sudbury's Kingfisher Leisure pool have been identified
- Government scraps the proposed Suffolk devolution deal

October

- The first homes developed at Babergh District Council's former Corks Lane offices in Hadleigh have gone on the market – with the properties hailed as a significant investment in the town's future.

November

December

- Babergh District Council's Cabinet is set to consider a 2.99% increase to the district's share of council tax bills - as councillors warn of a £10.9 million budget gap over the next five years due to a 'broken' funding system.
- Babergh District Council leader responds to Devolution White Paper

January

- Babergh and Mid Suffolk District Councils say a huge rise in housebuilding requirements set by the Government has left no option but to review their Joint Local Plan.

February

- The swimming pool at Kingfisher Leisure Centre in Sudbury will reopen this weekend after repair work was completed.
- Government launches a public consultation on proposals to create a Mayoral Combined County Authority across Norfolk and Suffolk.

March

- The Leaders of the county's five district and borough councils respond to the decision by Suffolk County Council to submit interim proposals for a single unitary authority, as part of the Local Government Review process, saying there is no compelling case for a mega Council in Suffolk
- Work to make council homes warmer and bring down energy bills for tenants across Babergh and Mid Suffolk have received a £2.9m boost in government funding, specifically from the Dept for Energy Security and Net Zero