

Your briefing notes for town and parish councils



Babergh & Mid Suffolk Councils

Leader's response to Devolution White Paper

Leader of Babergh District Council, Cllr Deborah Saw, said: "Local government must remain genuinely local..."

Council's funding warning as budget proposed to protect vital services

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.

New affordable homes in Lavenham

Keys to eight affordable new-build homes in Lavenham were handed over to Babergh District Council this month, with tenants now able to look forward to a New Year in their new homes.

Suffolk Public Sector Leaders Group endorse the Suffolk Economy Strategy

New strategy aims to propel Suffolk's economic growth and position the county at the forefront of the UK's green evolution.

HOWZAT! Cash boost agreed for Babergh community projects

A cricket club and a village solar power project are to receive a cash boost just shy of £90k, thanks to funds collected from developers by Babergh District Council.

Funding from Babergh District Council

Do you want to know more about the funding opportunities available from Babergh District Council?

Visit our new-look webpage which has all the information you need, including a breakdown of our grants, what they are for, and how you can apply. This includes our new Community Development Grants.

For more details, [visit the website.](#)

Financial support



Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL)

CIL is funding, generated by new developments, which local organisations can apply for and use to make capital improvements to community facilities.

Suitable for

Charities and organisations such as village halls, parish councils, sports clubs

What's available

Up to £100,000 can be applied for (up to a maximum of 75% of project costs)

When to apply

Bids can be submitted in May and October each year

[Find out more about CIL](#)



Section 106 (S106)

S106 is funding, generated by development, which can be applied for and used toward making capital improvements or repairs to community facilities.

Suitable for

Charities and organisations such as village halls, voluntary and community groups, parish councils, sports clubs

What's available

This will depend on the parish where your project is taking place

When to apply

Open for applications

[Find out more](#)



Community Development Grants

Community Development Grants are available to organisations seeking support towards revenue, capital or pre-project costs or activities

Suitable for

Charities and organisations such as village halls, voluntary and community groups, parish councils, sports clubs

What's available

Up to £20,000 can be applied for

When to apply

Open for applications until 26th January 2025

[Find out more about Community Development Grants](#)