



**MINUTES of the PARISH COUNCIL MEETING** held on Monday 06 January 2026 commencing at 7.30pm held at Tattingstone Village Hall.

**LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS USED INCLUDED AT APPENDIX B**

**PRESENT:** Cllr D Clarke, Cllr G Mark, Cllr A Mendel (Chair), Cllr S Page, Cllr B Plumbly and Cllr B Stennett

Also in attendance: District Councillor D. Potter, County Councillor S. Harley and 4 members of the public (2 of whom arrived at 7.37pm, during Item 5).

**01 OPENING**

Cllr Mendel declared the meeting open at 7.31pm and thanked all for attending. A statement was read out by the Chair indicating that, in accordance with legislation, the public and councillors were permitted to film, record, photograph or use social media in order to report on the proceedings of the meeting, providing permission has been sought from the Clerk and/or Chair.

**02. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

To note and approve apologies received – Cllrs noted and approved apologies received from Cllrs R Abbott, D Hawes & J Lee – **aif**.

**03. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

- (a) To receive declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests and other registerable interests as detailed in Appendix B of the LGA Model Code of Conduct – no declarations were received
- (b) To receive notifications of gifts of hospitality exceeding £50 – none submitted.
- (c) To note the determination of requests for dispensations for items on the agenda under discussion – none requested

**04. MINUTES**

To consider and approve the minutes of the previous Parish Council meeting held on 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2024 –

NB: Minutes record an action for Cllr Page to comment on Planning Application DC/024/05017 but this was actioned by Cllr Mendel

**Cllr Plumley proposed that Council approve the minutes as a true and accurate record of the proceedings that took place with the above note, seconded by Cllr Page - aif.** The Chair signed a copy of the agreed minutes.

**05. REPORTS FOR INFORMATION**

- (a) A written report had been circulated from Cllr. Harley and a copy of the January report is attached to the minutes. Cllr Harley highlighted some areas of his report, with an update on proposed devolution, and invited questions – there were some questions about the impact of devolution.
- (b) A written report had been circulated from Cllr Potter and a copy of his January report is attached to the minutes. Cllr Potter highlighted some areas of his report and invited questions – there was a



question from Cllr Mendel regarding grant payments and whether they were from CIL funding. Cllr Potter responded that they did. Cllr Page enquired whether a village could use CIL funding to upgrade sports facilities for a resident sports team, which Cllr Potter confirmed was possible.

## **06. CORRESPONDENCE**

- (a) To note correspondence received in December 2024.  
Anglian Water – It was noted that there is no location for the proposed works.  
Defibrillator case – Cllr Stennett proposed that the case is replaced, which was seconded by Cllr Mark – **aif**.  
Police report – Contents of the report noted, with a suggestion to publish it in Tattler.  
Street lighting – All Councillors debated the request for street lighting in the village, with agreement from all that this would not be pursued.  
SALC update on devolution – noted.  
CIL payment to village hall – Cllr Stennett explained that this award will allow the village hall to purchase solar panels and batteries. Other grant requests are in place for installation & other energy saving measures.
- (b) To consider/agree next steps as necessary.  
Anglian Water – Clerk to write to Anglian Water for more details.  
Defibrillator case – Clerk to write to volunteer to arrange purchase of a new case.  
Police report – Cllr Mendel to ask Tattler to publish the report and its recommendations.  
Street lighting – Clerk to write to member of the public thanking them for their considered letter and letting them know the outcome.  
SALC/VH CIL – none.

## **07. PUBLIC FORUM**

- (a) To receive questions and matters of concern from members of the public in attendance on items on the agenda submitted – one member of the public asked about the neighbourhood plan but was directed by Cllr Mendel to Item 10b.
- (b) To receive comments or questions relating to Tattingstone in particular – nothing raised
- (c) To receive questions and comments submitted in writing/email for future consideration by the Council – nothing raised

## **08. FINANCE REPORT**

- (a) To note and approve the balance of accounts as at 30<sup>th</sup> December 2024.  
The balances were as follows:
- Lloyds Account: £43,348.63
  - Lloyds Savings Account: £5001.92
  - Barclays Current account: £205.60
  - Barclays Deposit Account: £3265.38
- Approval of the above balances was proposed by Cllr Plumbly and seconded by Cllr Stennett - **aif**
- (b) To approve the accounts paid since the last meeting and accounts awaiting payment including forthcoming payments together with the receipts received since the last meeting.
- It was noted that an historic invoice for SALC Payroll was overdue and should be paid in addition to the notified payments.

**Cllr Page proposed and Cllr Stennett seconded that the payments detailed**



**should be ratified and agreed – aif.**

- (c) To consider any requests for financial support received from local people or groups – no requests had been received  
- It was noted that a previous agreement to contribute £50 towards a poppy wreath for Remembrance Day was not minuted. Payment of £50 to RBL Poppy Appeal. **Cllr Stennett proposed, seconded by Cllr Page and aif**
- (d) To consider, and decide upon, the Budget & Precept for 2025/26  
Councillors agreed a budget increase of 5%, equivalent to a Precept of £17005.80. **Cllr Mendel proposed, with Cllr Mark seconding and aif.**

## **9. PLANNING MATTERS**

- (a) To consider and agree a response to the following planning matters related to Tattingstone  
None received
- (b) To note the following decision notices received:  
DC/24/04718  
10 The Close, Tattingstone, Ipswich, Suffolk IP9 2PD  
Application for the erection of a single storey rear extension  
APPLICATION WAS GRANTED
- DC/24/05250  
Vale Farm And Vineyard , Stutton Lane, Tattingstone, IP9 2NZ  
Application to determine if Prior Approval is required for a Proposed: Erection, Extension or Alteration of a building for Agricultural or Forestry Use. Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015 as amended Schedule 2, Part 6 - Erection of 1no agricultural building  
FORMAL APPROVAL IS NOT REQUIRED

## **10. VILLAGE MATTERS**

- (a) To receive an update from the Playing Field Representative  
Cllr Page reported that the village Fete will be on the 5<sup>th</sup> July 2025 and the VH Committee will be seeking a grant from the PC to pay for a children's entertainer. Maintenance of the hedge and boundary of the field has been completed. There is to be a further notice placed asking dog owners not to let their dogs in the enclosed play area. The next meeting is on the 24<sup>th</sup> January 2025.
- (b) To receive an update from the Neighbourhood Plan Representative if appropriate  
Cllr Mendel summarised that new neighbourhood boundaries approved by the Parish Council need to be communicated to the village via the Tattler magazine and leaflet insert for consultation. Some green spaces have been removed after feedback.  
A member of the public questioned the NP not having a designated development area, as they believe the public was supportive of small-scale development during consultation. Cllr Mendel informed the member of the public that both the NP consultant, and Babergh District Council, have advised that this is not a requirement. The member of the public stated that they would be seeking legal representation to contact Babergh District Council.  
It was requested that the minutes from October 2024, which discussed the NP, be uploaded to the website. Cllr Mendel apologised for the delay and will upload them.
- (c) To decide on the wording of a Neighbourhood Plan update to be published in The Tattler  
Cllr Stennett asked that the term 'Heath area' be used instead of 'the Heath'



**Cllr Mark proposed the publication of the amended update, with Cll Plumbly seconding and aif**

**11. DATES OF FORTHCOMING MEETINGS** at Tattingstone Village Hall:

- (a) The next Parish Council Meeting will be on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2025.
- (b) Proposed meeting dates for 2025/26 were accepted, with confirmation needed from the Village Hall for the Annual Parish meeting date and the meeting in lieu of the Early May Bank Holiday.

**AOB**

One item was raised as urgent AOB – the village sign has become unsafe due to the wooden support posts becoming rotten at the base. Cllr Mendel has obtained one quote for repair but requested that more quotes should be obtained. Cllr Plumbly agreed to inspect the sign and get another quote.

**The meeting closed at 8.33 pm.**

SIGNED.....DATED..... TATTINGSTONE Parish Council

**ACTIONS**

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**APPENDIX A – List of common abbreviations used.**

<b>Aif</b>	<b>All in favour</b>
<b>AGAR</b>	<b>Annual Governance and Accountability Return</b>
<b>APM</b>	<b>Annual Parish Meeting</b>
<b>APCM</b>	<b>Annual Parish Council Meeting</b>
<b>ASB</b>	<b>Anti-social Behaviour</b>
<b>BACS</b>	<b>Bankers Automated Clearing Services</b>
<b>BDC</b>	<b>Babergh District Council</b>
<b>BLC</b>	<b>Brantham Leisure Centre</b>
<b>BMCIC</b>	<b>Brantham Management Community Interest Company</b>
<b>BOS</b>	<b>Brantham Open Spaces Group</b>
<b>BMSDC</b>	<b>Babergh &amp; Mid Suffolk District Council</b>
<b>BPC</b>	<b>Brantham Parish Council</b>
<b>CEP</b>	<b>Community Emergency Plan</b>
<b>CAS</b>	<b>Community Action Suffolk</b>
<b>Chq</b>	<b>Cheque</b>
<b>Cllr</b>	<b>Councillor</b>
<b>Cttee</b>	<b>Committee</b>
<b>DCLG</b>	<b>Department of Communities and Local Government</b>
<b>FC</b>	<b>Finance Committee</b>
<b>FOI</b>	<b>Freedom of Information</b>
<b>FR</b>	<b>Financial Regulations</b>
<b>GPoC</b>	<b>General Power of Competence</b>
<b>HMRC</b>	<b>Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs</b>
<b>LPA</b>	<b>Local Planning Authority</b>
<b>LPF</b>	<b>Lower Playing Field</b>
<b>LSC</b>	<b>Legal Sub Committee</b>
<b>NHS</b>	<b>National Health Service</b>
<b>NDP</b>	<b>Neighbourhood Development Plan</b>
<b>NP</b>	<b>Neighbourhood Plan</b>
<b>PC</b>	<b>Parish Council</b>
<b>PCSO</b>	<b>Police Community Support Officer</b>
<b>RFO</b>	<b>Responsible Finance Officer</b>
<b>RFSC</b>	<b>Recreation, Footpaths and Services Committee</b>
<b>SALC</b>	<b>Suffolk Association of Local Councils</b>
<b>SCC</b>	<b>Suffolk County Council</b>
<b>SID</b>	<b>Speed Indicator Device</b>
<b>SLA</b>	<b>Service Level Agreement</b>
<b>SNT</b>	<b>Safer Neighbourhood Team</b>
<b>SO</b>	<b>Standing Order</b>
<b>TPO</b>	<b>Tree Preservation Order</b>
<b>VAS</b>	<b>Vehicle Activated Sign</b>
<b>VCSE</b>	<b>Voluntary, Community and Social Enterprise Organisations</b>
<b>HMC</b>	<b>Village Hall Management Committee</b>

Date: 31<sup>st</sup> January 2025

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### **Devolution and Local Government Reorganization**

Following the publication of the government's White Paper on devolution in December, the council held an extraordinary meeting on Thursday 9 January to decide whether to pursue inclusion in the Devolution Priority Programme. Councils had to submit an application for this 'fast-track' devolution by Friday 10 January, including a request for local elections in May to be cancelled if this would assist them to prepare for an accelerated process including mayoral elections in May 2026. The result of these changes is likely to be a joint mayor for Norfolk and Suffolk, and amalgamation of the county council, districts and borough council in Suffolk into one unitary council, or possibly two unitary councils. Unitary councils undertake all local services and replace a 'two tier' system of county and district/borough councils. The government will make a decision on which areas will be in the Devolution Priority Programme and whether their local elections will be cancelled by the end of January. I am attaching a briefing on this for parish and town councils which gives more detail.

### **Suffolk's SEND Needs Assessment**

At Health and Wellbeing Board on Thursday 16 January, the council's Public Health & Communities attended to provide insights into the county's SEND needs and how they are being met. The report states that SEND needs in the county are rising and expected to rise further, and that delays in EHCP assessment, ADHD and autism assessment and support, and access to mental health services for young people were unsatisfactory and in some cases getting worse, like speech and language therapy. The report recommends engagement with families and young people, address inequalities in service provision and improve planning for future services. The report also noted that national data on SEND need was poor and lobbying the government to improve this would also help councils and health partners to better plan and support families.

### **Council Budget 2025-26**

On Tuesday 28 January, SCC Cabinet voted to approve the proposed budget for 2025-26. This included approving a maximum rise in council tax this year of 4.99%, including the 2% social care precept for adult care. The budget this year does not include borrowing from the council's reserves, which was a concern last year. Instead, the budget relies on delivering £28.4m of savings and mitigations across council services. Cost pressures for the council include care purchasing for adult social care, Special Education Needs and Disabilities (SEND) and placements for children in care. The level of debt the council is carrying from the Designated Schools Grant is still extremely worrying – this is due to increase by £62.175m over the course of the year, with the council DSG deficit forecast to be £358.7m overall by March 2028. Currently this 'negative reserve' is allowed by the government, but this statutory override is due to end in March 2026. The government is yet to come up with a solution for this issue, which affects many local authorities, not just Suffolk. The DSG debt is largely down to the cost of services for Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND).

Aside from the financial risk of the DSG debt if it is called in by the government, the council is projecting significant budget 'gaps' in future: £33.1m for 2026-27 and £96.2m in 2028-29. This means that in the next few years, additional government funding or more savings or cuts to services will be needed to balance the books.

## SCC Carbon Net Zero

At Cabinet on Tuesday 28 January, the annual report was presented which details the council's progress towards its target of net zero carbon by 2030. The council is not on track to achieve this target. It has achieved a 2% reduction in emissions overall during 2023-24, but Scope 3 – the largest scope and the one the council has least control over, as it includes the emissions of council suppliers (for example home to school transport) – has increased by 2% this year due to an increase in the standard conversion factor for bus travel emissions, and a rise in staff travel due to increased demand for care services. The council is trying to reduce Scope 3 emissions, and currently 40% of the council's top 100 suppliers have a carbon reduction plan for their businesses. It is unlikely the council would be able to be completely carbon free in future as large vehicles like fire engines would require fossil fuels, but it is possible that the council could offset remaining carbon emissions by planting trees in the county.

## Never Stop Trying: New Stop Smoking Campaign

Suffolk County Council has joined with Ipswich Town Football Club to launch a new stop smoking campaign to encourage people to '*never stop trying*' on their journey to quit smoking. The campaign directs people who are thinking about quitting to Feel Good Suffolk, the county's stop smoking service. NHS figures show that smokers are up to three times more likely to quit with support from their local service. In Suffolk, smoking contributes to nearly 1,000 deaths a year and tobacco presents the single greatest risk for early death, more than other issues such as high blood pressure, obesity or alcohol. In 2024, smoking cost Suffolk an estimated £703m in health and social care costs, lost productivity and smoking related fires.

The service offers various methods designed to assist people at every stage, including one-on-one coaching, phone support, or digital tools. Those seeking support on their quitting journey should visit <https://feelgoodsuffolk.co.uk/stop-smoking/>

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Benefits advice and support:

<https://infolink.suffolk.gov.uk/kb5/suffolk/infolink/adult.page?adultchannel=0>

Flood preparation advice: <https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/suffolk-fire-and-rescue-service/fire-and-rescue-safety-advice-in-the-community/what-to-do-in-a-flood>

<https://suffolkprepared.co.uk/get-prepared/risk-advice/flooding/>

Flood recovery advice and support: <http://www.suffolk.gov.uk/about/flood-recovery-information-for-suffolk>

**Simon Harley     Suffolk County Councillor for Peninsula Division**

## **February Report to Parishes**

A new Housing Repairs and Maintenance Policy was agreed by the Councils in December 2024. This sets out clearly our responsibilities to any landlord to provide safe, decent and comfortable homes.

Crystal Clear Window Works have been appointed to carry out repairs to double glazed windows. The core aim is to extend the lifespan of the windows and provide value for money. Repairing windows where viable, and to fix issues at the first visit.

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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.

The Babergh and Mid Suffolk Joint Local Plan, adopted in November 2023, is the blueprint for the districts' future until 2037.

It is designed to ensure residents and communities have sufficient housing, employment and inward investment, environment and heritage is protected, and that the right infrastructure is in place.

However, the Government has increased the annual housing requirement from 416 to 775 homes in Babergh (up 86%) and from 535 to 734 in Mid Suffolk (up 37%).

This is despite both councils exceeding existing requirements in recent years.

Each year, planning authorities must demonstrate they have a five-year land supply for the required number of homes.

Under existing requirements, this has been exceeded in Babergh and Mid Suffolk.

But the higher figures, set by the Government in December's National Planning Policy Framework review, mean this may become more challenging in future years.



If this happens, there is a risk that national planning policies would start to take priority over the Joint Local Plan - and the councils may find themselves in a position where they are required to approve planning applications on sites contrary to the development plan.

‘Part One’ of the Councils’ Joint Local Plan, which identifies the overall housing requirement for the districts, was adopted in 2023.

Since then, work has been continuing on ‘Part Two’, which was set to make housing allocations, and address other matters include open space designations and Gypsy and Traveller provision.

The Councils will now build on the work to date and start on a full review of the Joint Local Plan.

A revised timetable will be brought forward to the council for this month, setting out a period of further evidence gathering and consultation, before the plan itself is reviewed.

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A total of 25 community projects across Babergh and Mid Suffolk have each received a share of more than £31,000 to keep residents warm, active and connected over winter.

The ‘Living Well in Winter’ grant, funded by Babergh and Mid Suffolk District Councils, was first introduced in 2023. It exists to help local organisations such as town and parish councils, village hall committees, sports clubs, charities, social enterprises and community shops deliver new and existing accessible spaces and activities during the colder months.

This year, the latest funding window has provided a wide range of organisations with grants between £500 and £2,000, with successful projects offering anything from warm spaces and coffee mornings to movie showings and dance classes.

In total, £31,549 has been awarded, with £15,173 shared between 12 projects in Babergh and £16,376 split between 13 projects in Mid Suffolk.

Last year, [£36,000 was awarded](#) to organisations across the districts as part of the Living Well in Winter grant.

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Locality Grant money has been dedicated to the amount of 950 for kitchen upgrades at Freston Village Hall, the deadline for funds is due for the 21<sup>st</sup> of March and applicants need to spend any allocation by 1<sup>st</sup> September.



# TATTINGSTONE

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Paper submitted by the Clerk to the Council at the Parish Council meeting on 03 February 2025

### Parish Clerk's Report - February 2024

#### a) To review actions from the previous meeting

MONTH	MINUTE NO.	ACTION	WHO
Jan	8(b)	To write to Anglian Water <i>Completed, please see Paper 6b</i>	RBN
Jan	8(b)	Write to volunteer to arrange purchase of a new case. <i>Request completed, item purchased and due to be fitted by volunteer</i>	RBN
Jan	8(b)	Ask Tattler to publish the report and its recommendations <i>Completed</i>	AM
Jan	8(b)	Write to member of the public thanking them for their considered letter and letting them know the outcome. <i>Ongoing</i>	RBN
Jan	10(b)	Upload October 2024 minutes to Parish Council website <i>Ongoing (AM on holiday)</i>	AM
Jan	10(c)	Re-word the update to include the word 'area' <i>Completed</i>	AM
Jan	11 (b)	Confirm Village Hall availability for Annual Parish Meeting & May Parish Council Meeting <i>Ongoing, awaiting feedback from Village Hall</i>	RBN

#### b) To receive items of correspondence

Please see Paper 6b, all information only with no response required

#### c) To receive an update from the Clerk on any other Council issues

- Quotes for hedge cutting are in the process of being obtained, with the following obtained already:
  - o Quote A: £560+VAT (to include tractor, operator etc w/ no waste removal)
  - o Quote B: £1500 (hedge cutter, chainsaw & removal of waste – also includes some tree maintenance)
  - o One further quote will be sought
- The village sign has been removed until quotes for repair can be compared

## CORRESPONDENCE

- 1) geViews Landscaping offers
- 2) Grant funding available for Suffolk & Essex Coast & Heaths National Landscape
- 3) Roadworks information for A12 LED lighting works
- 4) Suffolk County Council Press Release
- 5) SALC Devolution update
- 6) Suffolk Climate Change Partnership loft insulation offer (sent on to village fb page)
- 7) Response from Anglian Water to location of works (Jan 2025 paper)
- 8) Medequip request for poster in village
- 9) SALC Devolution White Paper Update / SALC Devolution activities update

1.

Hi Andrea,

I hope you and all the team at Tattingstone Parish Council had a fantastic Christmas and a great New Year!

We're back at our desks again after the break and looking forward to working with councils on a variety of projects. We have a long-term partnership with a number of Parish Councils across the UK, helping them brighten their spaces with eco-friendly products like Zero-Maintenance Benches, Noticeboards, Litter Bins and more!

Over the past couple of years we've been privileged to work on some fantastic projects, working with Parish Councils using a variety of high quality materials! We manufacture a great range of cost-effective, hardwearing, low-maintenance products for the outdoor environment... And great for council budgets!

Working alongside some of the best nurseries in the UK, we can also help brighten areas with vibrant seasonal planters. We offer a free site inspection and ongoing support throughout the season!



We know a lot of Parish Councils will be looking at options to improve their areas as we head towards the new year. It's great to hear if Tattingstone Parish Council have any plans to brighten up your spaces in the next few months!

Clicking any of the images will take you through to a copy of our brochure - It would be great to hear from you!

If you do have any plans or ideas for your spaces, give us a call or send us an email and we're happy to help!

Thanks Andrea and take care

2.

Hi there,

Please find below and attached a press release with the news that more than £75,000 worth of grant funding is available to support environmental and community projects within the Suffolk & Essex Coast & Heaths National Landscape.

The Suffolk & Essex Coast & Heaths National Landscape stretches from Kessingland in North Suffolk, along the coast to the Stour Estuary in North Essex and has been designated for its national significance and natural beauty.

Individuals, community groups, schools and parish councils are all able to apply to grants from four different funds, with grant amounts ranging from £500 up to £5,000 depending on the purpose and scale of projects.

The closing date for applications is 3rd March 2025. Projects are to be delivered between April 2025 - 12th March 2026.

I have also attached photos you are welcome to use – please credit the National Landscape team.

Best wishes,

Tom



**Suffolk & Essex  
Coast & Heaths**  
National  
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**More than £75,000 of grant funding now available across Essex and Suffolk**

**An annual grants scheme that sees more than £75,000 awarded to community projects across Essex and Suffolk has opened for applications.**

Every year, the Suffolk & Essex Coast & Heaths National Landscape hands out more than £75,000 in grants to individuals, organisations such as schools and wildlife conservationists, and community groups to fund projects that help to conserve and enhance the special landscape.

The Suffolk & Essex Coast & Heaths National Landscape stretches from Kessingland in North Suffolk, down to the River Stour Estuary in North Essex, and is protected for its national importance and natural beauty.

There are four grant funds open for applications, each offering different levels of funding for varying purposes. Applications are welcomed from projects that represent the widest range of society possible and the funds support equality of opportunities to access grants.

Previous examples of projects funded include wildlife areas in primary schools, photography workshops for people with mental illness, species and habitat conservation projects such as swifts, spoonbill and woodland regeneration, enhancing nature reserves through accessible paths, mobility scooters and improving visitor experiences to natural and built heritage sites.

Whether you have a project that covers topics such as wildlife conservation, access and diversity, climate change, health and wellbeing, learning, the Suffolk & Essex Coast & Heaths National Landscape welcomes your application.

For more information about the various grants that are open and available, and the criteria and funding guidelines, please visit [www.coastandheaths-NL.org.uk](http://www.coastandheaths-NL.org.uk) or contact Oka Last, National Landscape Grants Officer, on 01394 445225 or [grants@suffolkandessex-NL.org.uk](mailto:grants@suffolkandessex-NL.org.uk).

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3.

## UPDATE: Important roadworks information

### A12 between junctions 27 and 33 – LED street lighting surveys

Dear Customer

In November 2024, we informed you about our plans to carry out surveys to upgrade the street lighting to LED versions on the A12 between junctions 27 and 33. This upgrade is part of our initiative to reduce carbon emissions from roadside lighting. The initial surveys were successful but, there are three areas that still require further surveying. Details of these areas can be found below.

LED lights are environmentally friendly and consume significantly less energy while providing the same amount of light. They also have a longer lifespan and require less maintenance, resulting in fewer road closures for lighting repairs and, most importantly, safer roads for everyone.

We plan to carry out the remaining surveys over **three nights** between **Wednesday 8 January** and **Saturday 11 January**. We will work overnight between **9pm** and **5am**, weather permitting.

### Closures and diversions

To carry out the work safely, we will need to close A12 entry and exit slip roads between junctions 27 and 33 and divert traffic as follows:

Closure	Date/Time	Diversion
A12 junction 28 southbound entry slip road (Map A)	Wednesday 8 January, 9pm to Thursday 9 January, 5am	Traffic travelling southbound from junction 28 of the A12 will need to exit via Urbis Romanae Roundabouts northbound onto the A12 to turnaround at the A120

		Interchange (Ipswich Road) to continue their journey on the A12.
A12 junction 32b northbound entry slip road (Map B)	Thursday 9 January, 9pm to Friday 10 January, 5am	Traffic travelling northbound on the A12 from junction 32b will need to travel southbound to junction 32a and turnaround to continue their journey on the A12.
A12 junction 32b southbound entry slip lane 1 (Map C)	Friday 10 January, 9pm to Saturday 11 January, 5am	<p>For traffic aiming to access Bentley Hall Road via the southbound entry slip at junction 32b:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Exit onto Ipswich Road.</li> <li>• Continue onto Station Road.</li> <li>• Proceed to Church Road.</li> <li>• Follow the route through Capel St Mary.</li> <li>• Finally, join Bentley Hall Road.</li> </ul>

Maps of the diversions can be found enclosed.

### How to find out more

To find out more about the scheme, please visit our dedicated website page at: <https://nationalhighways.co.uk/our-roads/east/east-road-maintenance-work/>

To find out more about road improvements we're carrying out across the East of England, please visit our website at <https://nationalhighways.co.uk/our-work/east/>.

If you would like more information, please contact us on 0300 123 5000, or by email at [info@nationalhighways.co.uk](mailto:info@nationalhighways.co.uk).

4.

### **Suffolk County Council news release**

For immediate release: Thursday 9 January 2025

For further information contact: Andrew St Ledger, Tel: 01473 264389

Email: [andrew.stledger@suffolk.gov.uk](mailto:andrew.stledger@suffolk.gov.uk)

### **Suffolk commits to devolution fast track**

Suffolk should be fast tracked for devolution and local government reorganisation, councillors have decided.

Following an invitation from ministers, Suffolk County Council's Cabinet today agreed to recommend Suffolk for inclusion in the government's Devolution Priority Programme (DPP), which would see the creation of a directly elected Mayor (likely covering Suffolk and Norfolk) and the replacement of existing council structures with a streamlined unitary council being set up.

The decision followed a debate and vote at a meeting of all county councillors.

### **Speaking following the debate, Councillor Matthew Hicks, leader of Suffolk County Council, said:**

"Today marks the start of arguably one of the biggest decisions this council will take in its 50 plus-year history.

"We need to think what is best for the people and businesses of Suffolk to whom we have a duty to make the difficult decisions – even if that decision means the end of the council or councils on which we sit."

The government's English Devolution White Paper outlines plans for broader and deeper devolution, coupled with a programme of coordinated local government reorganisation.

Key to these proposals is the restructuring of councils in two-tier areas like Suffolk, shifting from district, borough, and county councils to unitary councils. The government argues that unitary councils can deliver better outcomes for residents and save money that can be reinvested in public services.

Alongside reorganisation, the government is also proposing to create new Mayoral

Authorities – with a single directly elected Mayor covering larger geographies (such as Norfolk and Suffolk) and with powers over strategic policy areas like transport infrastructure, health improvement and blue light services.

**Cllr Hicks continued:**

“Changes of this scale create an opportunity to streamline local government, empower joined-up decision making, save taxpayers money and ensure councils are resistant to economic challenges.

“These are not ‘nice to haves’ or ‘aspirations, they are fundamental pillars of the system delivering the best possible public services, with clarity, accountability and delivered in a financially sustainable way.

“These are the goals on which we must focus if we are to do the right thing for Suffolk.”

Suffolk County Council has now written to the government expressing its desire to be at the front of the queue for devolution and local government reorganisation. A decision is expected by the end of the month.

If Suffolk is approved as part of the DPP, more detailed proposals, engagement and Government-led consultation would follow.

**Cllr Hicks continued:**

“To achieve remarkable things and seize significant opportunities, you must be willing to take on potential uncertainties. I want Suffolk to be at the front of the queue, setting the agenda on devolution – not following everyone else when identikit solutions are imposed.

“The proposal to join the DPP is not just a step forward; it is a leap towards a brighter, more prosperous future for Suffolk.”

Papers for the meetings can be viewed at <https://committeeminutes.suffolk.gov.uk>.

They are also available to watch back on the council’s YouTube channel: <https://www.youtube.com/user/SuffolkCC>

**ENDS**

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5.

Dear all

Following the previous Devolution update sent to all councils on the 2nd January 2025, Suffolk County Council held an extraordinary meeting on 9th January of councillors, and a meeting of its Cabinet, to debate and then decide on whether or not to put Suffolk forward for the government's new devolution and reorganisation programme.

The Suffolk County Council's Cabinet agreed to recommend Suffolk for inclusion in the government's Devolution Priority Programme (DPP), which would see the creation of a directly elected Mayor (likely covering Suffolk and Norfolk) and the replacement of existing council structures with a streamlined unitary council being set up.

To view further information, please click on this link to view our NEWS Blog on this update.

**As a reminder**, we have now set up a [dedicated information page on our website](#) and will use this to consolidate information for reference purposes along with a timeline of activities to help save everyone time and keep on track.

Sally Longmate,

SALC CEO

6.

Good afternoon

I work for the Suffolk Climate Change Partnership which is made up of all Suffolk's local authorities (Babergh & Mid Suffolk District Councils, East Suffolk Council, Ipswich Borough Council, Suffolk County Council and West Suffolk Council) and we have teamed up with [High Loft](#), the UK's leading eco loft insulation brand, to create a fantastic offer that allows anyone in Suffolk to get 50% off their loft insulation rolls (up to £200) with free delivery.

We want to spread the word so that as many people can benefit as possible, so please could you share the attached article in the next edition of your local magazine/newsletter?

If you are also able to share the Offer on social media as well, that would also really help get the word out:

- Here's the link to share our [Facebook](#) post
- Here's the link to share our [Instagram](#) post

And please do share any details in your local Whatsapp groups or Facebook group or anywhere else that is popular in your local area – here's the link for people to order: [www.bit.ly/suffolkloft](http://www.bit.ly/suffolkloft)

We have created this Offer so that everyone in Suffolk can have a warm house and reduce their energy bills because, did you know, an uninsulated home can lose up to a quarter of its heat through the roof? This is why it's key that everyone hears about the offer so that residents can make their homes warmer, reduce their energy bills, and make a positive environmental impact.

If you have any questions, please let me know.

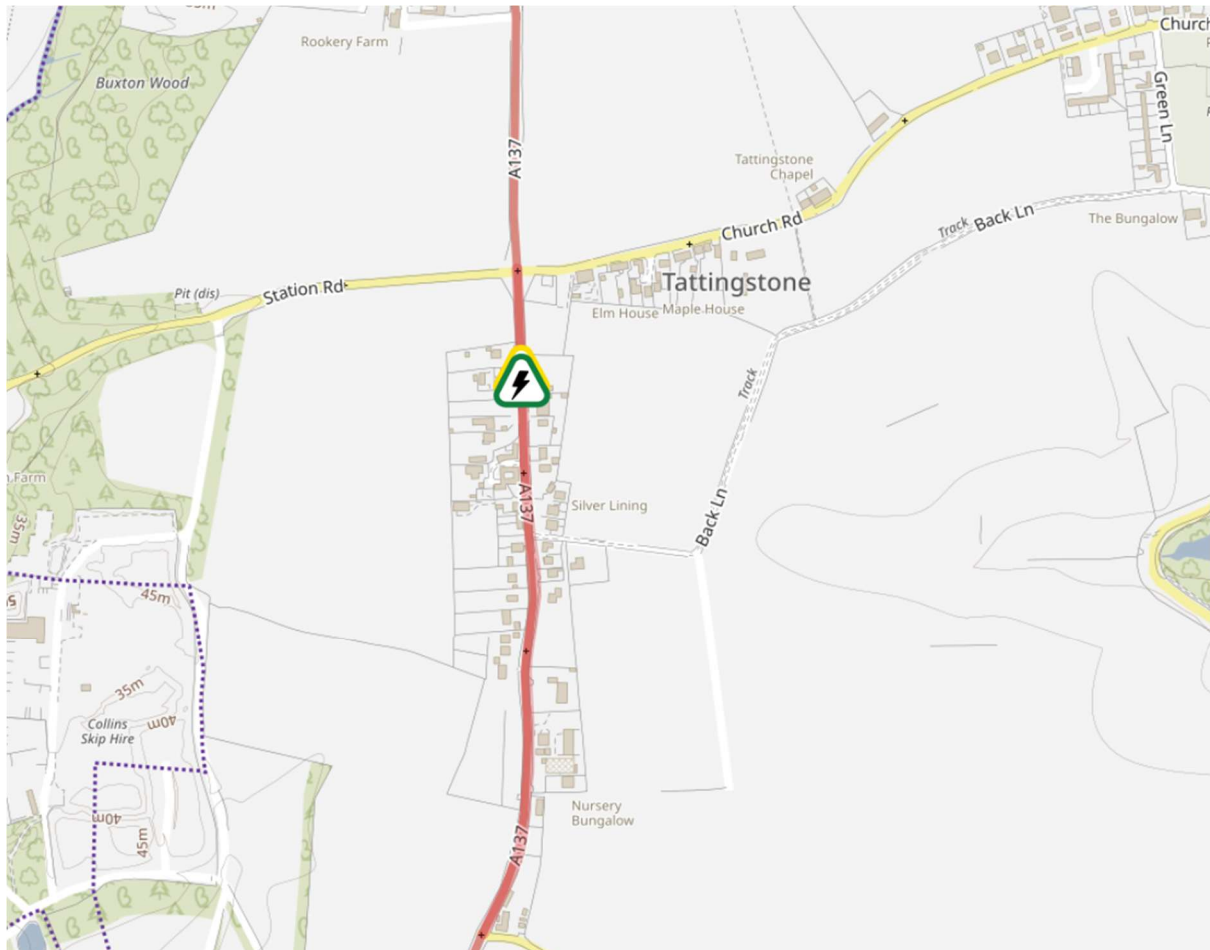
Many thanks

**Jess Miller** (she/her)

7.

Good morning Rachel,

We will be carrying out x4 Domestic New Connection Supplies in one location to our AC main in the far side carriageway of The Heath (A137), Tattingstone, IPSWICH IP9. The illustration below highlights where our works will be.



UKPN will work collaboratively with us on the road space at the same time under our traffic management to avoid further disruptions to the highways for 2025. Additionally, the dates are correct as previously stated taking place over 2 weekends, avoiding Ipswich Football Home games.

25.10.2025 – 26.01.2025 between the hours of 09:00 – 17:00 each day with Reinstatement (Saturday & Sunday working only)

08.02.2025 - 09.02.2025 between the hours of 09:00 – 17:00 each day with Reinstatement (Saturday & Sunday working only)



If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to get in touch with us via email or phone.

Kind regards,

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IMRDS Planner (Developer Services)  
IMRDS

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Enterprise House, Witham Park House,  
Waterside South, Lincoln, LN5 7JE

**8.**

Good afternoon,

I hope this finds you well.

I would like to introduce myself to you. My name is Helen Coleman and I work for the NHS in the Community Equipment Service. A large part of my role is ensuring that equipment that has been loaned to people in the community is returned to the provider when it is no longer needed as this makes vital cost savings for the NHS. Unfortunately, not all of the public is aware of this responsibility and we know that sometimes equipment remains in a home even when it is no longer being used.

I wonder if I could ask for your support with this matter? Would you be willing to display a Medequip poster in your parish which explains how to return Medequip equipment? Perhaps it could go on the village noticeboard or be displayed by the village hall. I have attached a PDF of the poster to this email in anticipation of your support. I would also be happy to send out posters to you so please respond to this email with an address so that we can pop a poster or two in the post.

Thank you in anticipation of your support with this matter and I look forward to hearing from you.

## Help your local NHS and Social Care Services help others by returning equipment.

Local NHS and Social Care Services lose thousands of pounds each year due to missing equipment. All items returned will be assessed, safety tested and either repaired and reused or stripped down for recycling.

*Look for equipment label*

Contact Medequip to request a free collection:

Call **01473 351805**

Email **suffolk@medequip-uk.com**



### What might you have?

- Adjustable walking sticks
- Crutches
- Chair raisers
- Commodes
- Bed levers
- Wheeled adjustable frames
- Perching stools
- Raised toilet seats
- Pressure cushions
- Toilet frames
- Trolleys

If you would prefer to return equipment to Medequip yourself, you can bring it to:

**Medequip Ipswich Depot:**  
Unit 31-33, Bluestem Road  
Ransomes Europark  
Ipswich  
IP3 9RR

**Opening hours:**  
Monday to Friday 8:00am - 6:00pm  
Saturday 10:00am - 4:00pm

To find your nearest drop off point, please visit:  
[mq-uk.com/return-suffolk](http://mq-uk.com/return-suffolk)



Over 90% of returned equipment recycled nationwide.



## Keeping people independent

## **9a.**

Briefing on the English Devolution White Paper for Town and Parish Councils in Suffolk

### **Introduction**

This briefing summarises two key areas of central government policy in relation to local government in Suffolk: devolution and local government reorganisation.

If the government's policy is fulfilled, it would mean the biggest change to local government arrangements in Suffolk for over 50 years.

Devolution would see the creation of a Mayoral Strategic Authority, likely covering Norfolk and Suffolk, with mayor elected in May 2026 and holding devolved funding and powers over strategic policy areas like transport infrastructure, health improvement and blue light services.

Local government reorganisation (LGR) would see the abolition of the county, districts and borough councils and replacement with a single (or multiple) unitary councils. Town and parish council structures would not change as part of LGR in Suffolk.

This briefing answers a number of commonly asked questions and updates town and parish council colleagues on the latest position.

### **What are the latest government policy developments on devolution and local government reorganisation (LGR)?**

On 16 December 2024, the Government published the English Devolution White Paper (the White Paper) that set out its policy direction for devolution and local government reorganisation.

It sets a preference “to see all of England benefit from devolution” (the White Paper p24). This would be devolution of powers and funding to mayors of strategic authorities over an assumed “combined population of 1.5million or above” (the White Paper p31). Areas that would be devolved include new powers to mayors over health improvement, net zero, nature recovery, skills, infrastructure, transport and economic development. These are described in a new devolution framework (the White Paper pp86-90) that government intends to include in forthcoming legislation.

The White Paper also states that government “will expect all two-tier areas and smaller or failing unitaries to develop proposals for reorganisation.” (the White Paper p100). It

also highlights “for most areas this will mean creating councils with a population of 500,000 or more, but there may be exceptions to ensure new structures make sense for an area, including for devolution, and decisions will be on a case-by-case basis.”

Along with the publication of the White Paper, the minister for local government sent letters to council leaders inviting commitment and interest to being included in the Devolution Priority Programme (DPP) that government is establishing. The DPP offers a fast-track timeline to securing devolution and LGR.

In addition to requests to be included in the DPP, the minister’s letter signalled his “intention is to formally invite unitary proposals in January 2025 from all councils in two-tier areas”. This letter will outline more detail on the criteria for business cases to cover and expected timeframes.

### **What is the Devolution Priority Programme (DPP)?**

It provides a fast-track timeline to securing devolution and LGR, with the intention of elections for mayors (and establishing Mayoral Strategic Authorities) in May 2026. LGR business cases are to be submitted to the minister by Autumn 2025.

### **What is meant by local government reorganisation (LGR)?**

Where county and district/borough councils provide local government functions between them, unitary councils remove that arrangement and create a single-council that provides all local government functions in an area. Sometimes this is a single council across a county area (e.g., North Yorkshire), sometimes this is more than one council within a county area (e.g., Cheshire). There is no change to existing parish and town councils’ boundaries or structures.

The White Paper sets out government’s reasoning for pursuing unitary councils:

“Fewer politicians, with the right powers, will streamline local government to focus on delivering for residents. We will deliver this process as quickly as possible, including through legislation where it becomes necessary to ensure progress. Clear leadership locally will be met with an active partner nationally.” (the White Paper p100)

It also outlines expectations for how new unitary councils should relate to and incorporate community arrangements:

“We know people value the role of governance at the community scale and that can be a concern when local government is reorganised. We will therefore want to see stronger community arrangements when reorganisation happens in the way councils engage at a neighbourhood or area level.” (the White Paper p100)

### **What might this mean for the county council elections scheduled for May 2025?**

The minister's letter to leaders states that he "is minded-to lay secondary legislation to postpone local council elections from May 2025 to May 2026" to help local areas meet the timeframe and deliver the changes needed to deliver devolution and LGR."

As requested by the minister, the leader's letter contained in appendix C of the Cabinet papers, requested a delay to the May 2025 county council elections. Delaying the elections is a ministerial decision requiring Parliamentary process. We expect to hear his decision by the end of January/early February 2025.

### **How might town and parish councils be affected?**

The structural changes arising from LGR will change county and district/borough councils. They will not impact town and parish councils. Town and parish councils will be important stakeholders, particularly as a voice for local communities. The White Paper acknowledges their role in local governance and representation, stating government's intentions that:

"We will also work with the town and parish council sector to improve engagement between them and Local Authorities." (the White Paper p94)

and

"We will also rewire the relationship between town and parish councils and principal Local Authorities, strengthening expectations on engagement and community voice." (the White Paper p100)

### **What has Suffolk County Council decided so far?**

Following the publication of the White Paper and the ministerial letters on 16 December, the county council held an extraordinary Council meeting followed by an extraordinary Cabinet meeting on 9 January 2025.

The Council decision was to:

"Endorse that the leader responds to the minister expressing Suffolk County Council's interest in joining the Devolution Priority Programme, noting that acceptance onto this programme: i) makes a clear commitment to delivering both reorganisation and devolution to the most ambitious timeframe and ii) may postpone the 2025 County Council elections."

The subsequent Cabinet decision was to:

"Agree that the leader responds to the minister expressing Suffolk County Council's

interest in joining the Devolution Priority Programme by 10 January as requested in the minister's letter of 16 December (appendix A); noting that acceptance onto this programme: i) makes a clear commitment to delivering both reorganisation and devolution to the most ambitious timeframe and ii) may postpone the 2025 County Council elections."

As requested by the minister's letter, the county council's leader's response (appendix C to the 9 January 2025 Cabinet papers) stated:

"I can now confirm:

- Suffolk County Council's commitment to delivering both reorganisation and devolution to the most ambitious timeframe (with inaugural mayoral elections in May 2026) and
- Request that we be included in the Devolution Priority Programme:

The papers (including the ministerial letters) can be viewed here: Meeting Documents - Committee Minutes (Council) and Meeting Documents - Committee Minutes (Cabinet)

The meetings can be viewed here: <https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/council-anddemocracy/the-council-and-its-committees/county-council/webcasting> (Council)

<https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/council-and-democracy/the-council-and-itscommittees/cabinet> (Cabinet)

### **What happens next?**

We are currently waiting for the minister to confirm which areas he has decided to include on the DPP and, as a non-unitary area, all councils in Suffolk will receive a letter from the minister inviting them to develop proposals for LGR. If Suffolk is included on the DPP, there will be government-led consultation on devolution (including establishing a new Mayoral Strategic Authority) early in 2025 (by March). Also, the minister is likely to run a consultation at the end of 2025 on LGR proposals (following submission of the LGR business cases in Autumn 2025). Prior to that, it is likely that there will be locally led engagement to ensure that residents and partners are kept informed.

**9b.**

## **Devolution**

### **[VIEW THE BRIEFING PAPER ON ENGLISH DEVOLUTION WHITE PAPER FOR TOWN AND PARISHES IN SUFFOLK - produced by Suffolk County Council](#)**

It's been a busy couple of weeks here at SALC liaising with colleagues across the County Association network to find out more about impact of the formation of unitary authorities across the UK from a range of perspectives. We anticipated that our members would want to know more about the proposed changes and the briefing paper linked above explains the position, so in addition SALC have been focussing on learning from others, and will continue to do that.

We have now met with Somerset, Cumbria and Cornwall Associations of Local Councils, one of our local MPs (more dates in the diary), Suffolk CC and attended briefings to parishes by Babergh/Mid Suffolk. We have added value to those sessions and grateful for the invite and opportunity to work together. We understand West Suffolk Councils have had a parish liaison meeting which we hope was informative and they and East Suffolk Council are in contact with us too.

We went to a County Officer Forum last week which resulted in a number of other County Associations wanting to collaborate on a range of issues so we share the learning, approach, templates and support each other to avoid duplication and ensure there is efficiency with time. This includes a webinar aimed at our larger council network which SALC are hosting with 13 other county associations inviting their larger councils too. We will be sharing our learning from this across our membership.

We are keeping abreast of NALC activities and updating them on what is happening in Suffolk to ensure there is a good flow of information.

So what next?

Whilst it is still very early days, it is timely that we have a SALC Board meeting coming up which includes our annual strategic review. As a reminder, the Board is made up of representatives from across the county (councillors and officers) and they will work with the team on future plans. It should be no surprise that devolution is the topic this year.

Our work so far is enabling us to have a better understanding of what the change might look and feel like based on previous models. However, we have no information or detail of what the Suffolk framework might be at the present time.

We need your help

We are now going to gather data that expands the information we currently hold about local councils in Suffolk. We would like councils to look out for our requests over the



next couple of months and respond accordingly. We will share more information about this shortly and publish progress on our dedicated page.

In the meantime we await news from Suffolk's request, expected in a few weeks, and I hope these updates are useful.

Sally Longmate

CEO, Suffolk Association of Local Councils

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# [SALC news / update for members](#)

## PAPER 8.b

### PAYMENTS AGREED/RATIFIED AT THE MEETING HELD ON 2<sup>nd</sup> DECEMBER 2024

#### PAYMENTS MADE

Payee	Detail	Method	NETT	VAT	TOTAL
Microsoft	Subscription	Direct Debit	8.60	1.72	10.32
A. Mendel	Expenses (stationery, phone contract, key cutting)	BACs	75.41		75.41
HMRC	P30 Q3	BACs	122.60		122.60
R. Belcher-Nairn	Clerk salary Dec 2024	BACs	490.60		490.60
Holbrook Poppy Appeal	Wreath	BACs	50.00		50.00
SALC	Invoice 28954/29019 & CN	BACs	343.20		
SALC	Invoice 29296	BACs	29.70		
Lloyds Bank	Savings Account – service charge	Direct Debit	0.37		0.37

#### INCOME RECEIVED

Payee	Detail	Method	NETT	VAT	TOTAL
Barclays	Transfer from account	BACs	211.20		211.20
Barclays	Transfer from account	BACs	2370.29		3270.29
Miss N Nagle	Allotment plot 14	BACs	7.40		7.40
V Prior	Allotment plot 11	BACs	5.20		5.20
F Ewart	Allotment plot 17	BACs	6.16		6.16
B Hallford	Allotment plot 13	BACs	4.80		4.80
J Leach	Allotment plot 3	BACs	28.40		28.40
A Mendel	Allotment plot 10	BACs	7.52		7.52
T Hamstead	Allotment plot 20	BACs	6.12		6.12
R Stone & C White	Allotment plot 19	BACs	4.00		4.00
Lloyds savings account	Interest - Dec	BACs	1.92		1.92
Lloyds savings account	Interest - Jan	BACs	4.25		4.25

#### PAYMENTS TO BE MADE

R. Belcher-Nairn	Clerk salary Jan 2025 (-4 overpaid hours Dec 24)	BACs	858.44		858.44
Andy Proctor	Case for defibrillator	BACs	65.00	15.34	92.04
HMRC	Overdue PAYE payments from 2024	BACs	414.21		414.21
BMSDC	Outstanding balance for dog bin emptying 24-25	BACs	414.00	82.80	496.80
Places4People	Neighbourhood Plan		1575.00	315.00	1890.00

**Countersigned by.....Chair of Parish Council**

**All payments authorised under The Parish Councils (General Power of Competence)  
(Prescribed Conditions) Order 2012**

**Note:** Council resolved at the 2023 Annual Meeting that it met the eligibility conditions, and this continues right through until the next relevant annual meeting which will be May 2027. This is regardless of whether the Council continues to meet those conditions for the duration, (para 7.12 of the Explanatory Memorandum to The Parish Councils (General Power of Competence) (Prescribed Conditions) Order 2012 refers.



### APPLICATION FOR A GRANT

Before completing this form, please read carefully the attached document entitled *Tattingstone Grant Awarding Policy*.

#### General information for applicants

It is Tattingstone Parish Council's intention (subject to budget restrictions and available resources) to support initiatives from local community groups and organisations. Priority will be given to applicants who have not previously received grants from Tattingstone Parish Council. The size of any grant awarded is at the discretion of the Parish Council but will not exceed £500 in any one application.

If you have any queries on the completion of this form please contact the Parish Clerk, Tattingstone Parish Council, 18 Birch Drive, Brantham, CO11 1TF. Email: [clerk@tattingstoneparishcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@tattingstoneparishcouncil.gov.uk)

#### DETAILS OF YOUR ORGANISATION

Name of Organisation: Tattingstone Playing Field Committee

Address: 29 Red Cottages Church Road Tattingstone

Ipwich IP9 2NA

Contact Telephone No.: 07745 914637

Email: Linda 29 red @ aol.com

Registered Charity No.: .....

If you are part of a larger organisation, enter its name: .....

Principal aims and objectives: To service and maintain and  
promote leisure activities on Tattingstone  
Playing Field.

### DETAILS OF GRANT REQUESTED

Explain your need for a grant with the likely number of beneficiaries, their age profiles and their location

To help pay for the hire of circus performer  
to demonstrate, entertain and take part in activities  
with the local children during the annual village  
fete on Tattingstone Playing Field, on  
Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> July 2025

Grant requested: £ 500

### DETAILS OF OTHER GRANTS

Received in the last two years..... received in 2024 to help pay  
for same entertainer £500

Currently applied for.....

Please use this space for any significant information about your organisation not already supplied

we run the playing field on donations only and  
raised monies only as we are not allowed to  
charge as this is a trust

I certify that the foregoing replies are accurate to the best of my knowledge

Signature of applicant

*D J Brown*

Office Held

*Chair*

Date

*26/1/2025*

Our email:	heritage@baberghmidsuffolk.gov.uk
Our direct line:	03001234000 Opt 5 Opt 3
Postal Address:	Endeavour House 8 Russell Road Ipswich IP1 2BX

15.01.2025

Dear Sir/Madam

# Bentley Historic Core Conservation Area, Public Consultation

**Further to recent feedback the consultation period has been extended to Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February 2025**

Babergh District Council is consulting on a proposed conservation area in the parish of Bentley. The proposed designation is supported by a Conservation Area Appraisal and Management Plan (CAAMP) document that defines and evaluates the special interest of the study area and identifies management principles for future development and opportunities to better reveal its significance.

The proposed designated area and supporting CAAMP have been drafted to inform future change, development and design in and around the Bentley Historic Core, so that its sensitivities and unique character can be preserved and enhanced in accordance with the Council's legal duties.

A public consultation on the proposed new conservation area and CAAMP initially ran for a period of six weeks from **Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December 2024 to Friday 24<sup>th</sup> January 2025**. Further to recent feedback we have extended the consultation period to **Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February 2025** and the Council is keen to hear your views.

All comments received within the consultation period will be carefully considered to help us to finalise the CAAMP and confirm that it is appropriate to make the designation.

The draft proposed CAAMP, including details of the area proposed to be designated as the Bentley Historic Core Conservation Area can be accessed direct from our website here: <https://www.babergh.gov.uk/conservation-area-consultations>.

Any comments must be received by **Friday 21st February 2025**



**Babergh and Mid Suffolk District Councils**  
Endeavour House, 8 Russell Road, Ipswich IP1 2BX  
Telephone: (0300) 1234 000  
[www.babergh.gov.uk](http://www.babergh.gov.uk) [www.midsuffolk.gov.uk](http://www.midsuffolk.gov.uk)

Comments can be sent in through a number of ways:

- By email: [heritage@baberghmidsuffolk.gov.uk](mailto:heritage@baberghmidsuffolk.gov.uk)
- By post: Heritage Team, Babergh District Council, Endeavour House, Russell Road, Ipswich IP1 2BX

Yours Sincerely,

**Philip Isbell**

*Acting Director of Planning – Sustainable Communities*