

## District Councillor Report – February 2021

MSDC Babergh Joint Local Plan	<p>The Regulation 19 joint Local Plan consultation closed back in December 2020, No further points can now be raised. The Councils are aligning all the responses to make them suitable for the submission stage, this is scheduled for late March 2021. All of the representations are made available to the inspector, the Council has to demonstrate they have fully considered before the examination. Once the advice is submitted for examination the Council will provide further advice regarding the “weight” given to the plan under the NPPF para 48.</p> <p>The link to the full document is below</p> <p><a href="https://www.midsuffolk.gov.uk/assets/Strategic-Planning/JLPReg19/FullCouncil/BMSDC-Joint-Local-Plan-Pre-Submission-Nov-2020-FINAL.pdf">https://www.midsuffolk.gov.uk/assets/Strategic-Planning/JLPReg19/FullCouncil/BMSDC-Joint-Local-Plan-Pre-Submission-Nov-2020-FINAL.pdf</a></p>
District Budgets	<p>The District Council like all councils is setting its budget. The situation for Mid Suffolk is once again totally different to the County Budgets process. Yet again Mid Suffolk is projecting another increased underspend, the forecast surplus in 2021/2022 is over £3,000,000.00 with a current surplus of £848,000.00 forecasting over the next three years a cumulative surplus of £9,016,000.00. considering the Councils budget is less than £9,000,000.00.</p>

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