

Consultation on an update to the Draft Statement of Community Involvement

The Councils are undertaking public consultation on an update to their Statement of Community Involvement (2014), between Friday 29th June and Monday 30th July 2018. The Statement of Community Involvement (SCI) sets out how the Councils will consult and involve the community and stakeholders in the planning process.

It has been necessary to update this document to reflect changes to the Councils' communication methods; to reflect the support offered to neighbourhood planning groups; to acknowledge the introduction of the Community Infrastructure Levy; and to detail the introduction of a planning pre-application charging service.

If you know of anyone else who may be interested in this consultation please feel free to pass on the details.

The draft SCI update can be viewed on either Council website:

<https://www.babergh.gov.uk/planning/planning-policy/adopted-documents/babergh-district-council/statement-of-community-involvement/>

<https://www.midsuffolk.gov.uk/planning/planning-policy/adopted-documents/babergh-district-council/statement-of-community-involvement/>

Copies can also be viewed upon request at our customer service centres: 54 Ipswich Street, Stowmarket IP14 1AD or Sudbury Town Hall, Old Market Place, Sudbury CO10 1TL. The current adopted SCI (2014) and the equalities screening assessment (2014), will also be available to view on the websites or at the customer service centres.

We would welcome your responses which will be considered in preparing the draft SCI update, and encourage you to respond electronically to localplan@babermidsuffolk.gov.uk, or by post to: Planning Policy Team, Babergh & Mid Suffolk District Councils, Endeavour House, 8 Russell Road, Ipswich IP1 2BX, by 4.00pm on 30th July 2018.