

Report of Planning sub committee 12.04.2018

I was elected as Chairman of the Planning sub-committee in September 2017.

To the end of March 2018 the planning sub-committee received and supported 8 Planning Applications: 3 relating to new, or variations of existing, housing applications, 3 to removal / pruning of trees subject to TPOs or in Conservation areas, 1 to a new vehicle access, and 1 to the gliding club flying conditions.

New Terms of Reference for the planning sub-committee have been agreed, largely to facilitate the creation of a quorum to review planning applications.

The Babergh and Mid Suffolk Joint Local Plan Consultation ("LPC") Document initial consultation process started on 21.08.17 and ended on 10.11.17.

A number of presentations have been received in relation to this. On 07.09.17 Cllr David Golding and I attended a presentation by BDC on the then current thinking behind the LPC Document, and on 14.09.17 Mr Bill Newman, Corporate Manager Strategic Planning at BDC, made a similar presentation to Brettenham Parish Council.

I understand feedback on the LPC is now being reviewed and the draft local plan will be released for the next consultation review process later this year. Housing delivery is one of 4 key priority areas (the others are Economy, Environment, and Healthy Communities and Infrastructure).