

NOTES FOR PARISH COUNCILS

1/ Joint Local Plan

I sent an email in December informing you of the Joint Local Plan and the revised national Planning Policy Framework (NPPF2).

The meeting went to the council meeting in January and it was proposed to not bring the Local plan formally to councils before the District and Parish elections in May.

2/ Review of Polling districts paces and stations.

A meeting was held by council on Wednesday this week, and a publication of the draft results was sent by me to all Parishes in Brett Vale yesterday. As you are probably aware the new district to be called Cosford NW including all the present parishes will come in to being after the elections with new District Councillors. There will be a new Conservative candidate for these areas and information about this will be given soon.

3/ (For Brettenham) OBH

I have heard no more about plans for the planning meeting to discuss the housing proposed for Brettenham on OBH land, and when I have been told I will duly inform.

4/ Council Housing for Hadleigh

At a meeting on 23rd January it was agreed to approve an application to turn the former Angel Court care home into affordable housing . This is the first stage of the councils plan for 78 new homes in Hadleigh. For Angel Court this will mean :-Seven 1-bedroom flats for affordable rent ,Seven 1-bedroom flats for shared ownership, Two 2-bedroom flats for affordable rent. Five 2-bedroom flats for shared ownership. The remaining homes will be at the Corks lane area where the councils offices were located, and more information concerning these will be given later.

5/ A14 development.

I was informed by our MP James Cartlidge that a campaign led by Suffolk Chamber of Commerce highlights the need for national investment into improvements on the A14 was discussed in January. This includes improvements to key junctions at Ipswich, Bury St Edmunds and Newmarket, and major maintenance schemes between Haughley and Woolpit and between Copdock and the Orwell Bridge. This work would address the terrible Copdock interchange near Ipswich.

6/ Car parking in Babergh.

A consultation will be discussed to approve a new parking plan for the district. A Joint Area Parking Plan will set out proposals which does not include any increase in charges. The plan was considered by cabinet on Wednesday and a consultation will be launched in February and run for 6 weeks. The plan is required as part of a Suffolk-wide initiative for Suffolk Police to hand over to local authorities legal powers and responsibility for civil parking enforcements.

Cllr Michael Creffield (8/2/2019)