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21st August 2017

Dear Mrs Scott

BABERGH AND MID SUFFOLK JOINT LOCAL PLAN CONSULTATION

Babergh District Council and Mid Suffolk District Council are launching the first stage of consultation on a new Joint Local Plan. **This consultation is starting on Monday 21st August 2017 and will run until 5pm on Friday 10th November 2017.** This consultation is part of the initial stages of plan production and is being carried out under Regulation 18 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012.

The Joint Local Plan will inform how our Districts will develop over the next 20 years. It will establish how much housing and land for businesses will be needed and where it will go, alongside protecting and enhancing the environment and delivering infrastructure.

We recently contacted you in relation to briefing sessions that we have set up for all Parish and Town Councils and Parish Meetings. The purpose of these briefings will be to explain the content of the consultation document and to outline the consultation process, and for you to ask any questions you may have.

Please find enclosed with this letter:

- A paper copy of the Babergh and Mid Suffolk Joint Local Plan: Consultation Document – you may wish to make this available to residents within your Parish / Town;
- 2 x copies of posters - please display these around your Parish / Town and let us know if you require any additional copies.

Paper copies of the consultation document are also available at libraries within the Districts and at the Councils' offices for the duration of the consultation period.

A series of public drop-in events are also being held. These will run from 2pm to 7pm and are being held at the following venues⁶:

⁶ The events in Sudbury and Stowmarket will also include additional special 'Vision For Prosperity' events for the two towns. The Councils are seeking views on the public's priorities for delivering projects within the towns. See more at www.babergh.gov.uk/VFPSudbury or www.midsuffolk.gov.uk/VFPStow and follow us on twitter at #VFPSudbury and #VFPStow.

- Monday 2nd October – The Blackbourne Community Centre, Blackbourne Road, Elmswell, IP30 9GY
- Wednesday 4th October – United Reformed Church, Ipswich Street, Stowmarket, IP14 1AD
- Thursday 5th October – Eye Community Centre, Magdalen Street, Eye, IP23 7AJ
- Monday 9th October – Tattingstone Village Hall, School Road, Tattingstone, IP9 2NA
- Wednesday 11th October – Hadleigh Town Hall, The Guildhall, Market Place, Hadleigh, IP7 5DN
- Thursday 12th October – Sudbury Town Hall, Old Market Place, Sudbury, CO10 1TL


To view the consultation document online, along with the accompanying Sustainability Appraisal and evidence documents, and to submit your comments, please visit our websites at www.babergh.gov.uk/jointlocalplan or www.midsuffolk.gov.uk/jointlocalplan. Comments should ideally be submitted online via the consultation system available through the websites. Alternatively comments can be emailed to localplan@baberghmidsuffolk.gov.uk or posted to Strategic Planning, Babergh and Mid Suffolk District Councils, Corks Lane, Hadleigh, Suffolk, IP7 6SJ. A printable comments form can be downloaded from the websites or collected from the Councils' offices or from libraries in the Districts. If you wish to deliver your comments in person please telephone us on the number below.

Please ensure that your comments on the Joint Local Plan are received by 5pm on Friday 10th November 2017.

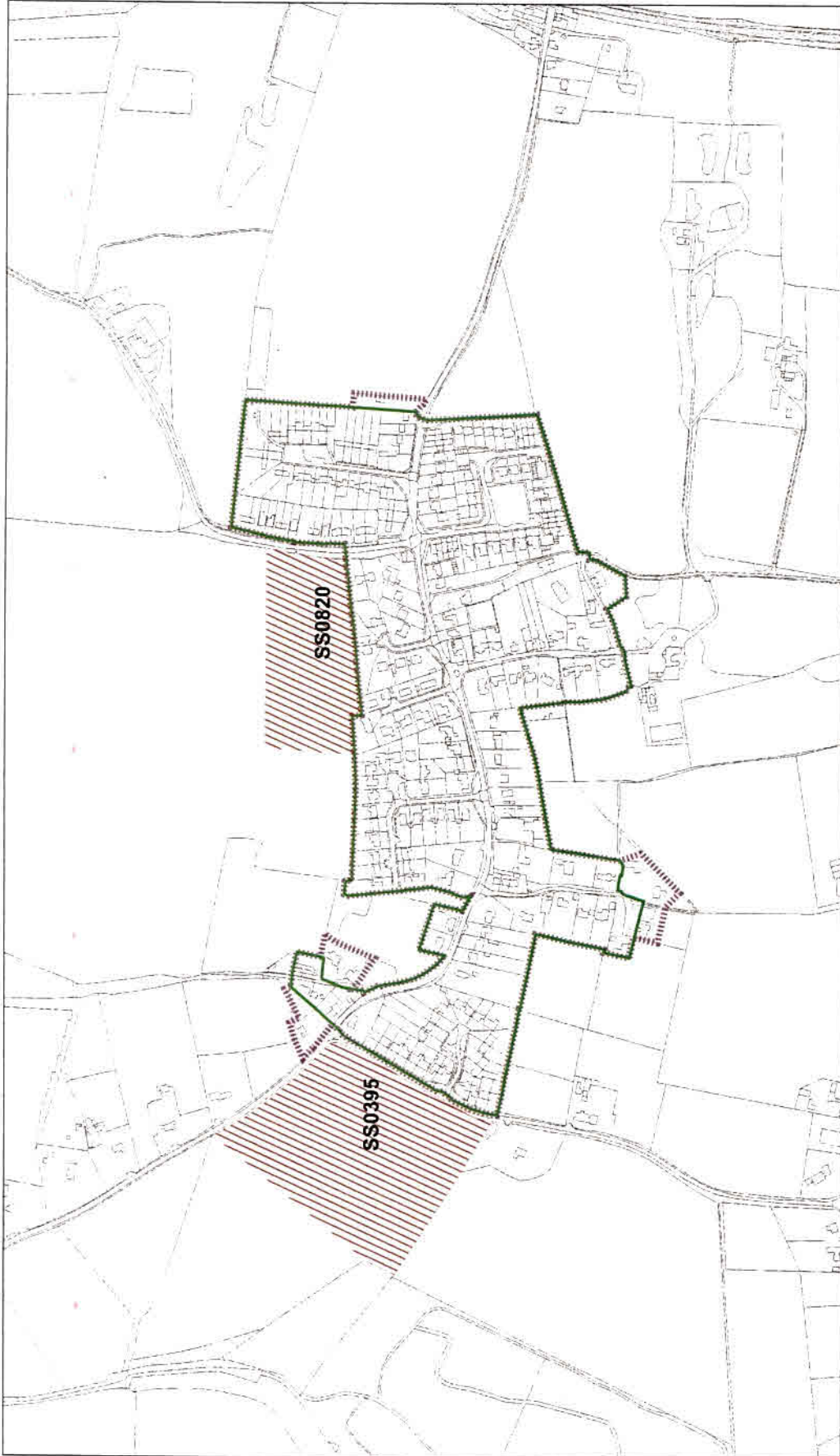
Following this first consultation, we will consider all of the comments received before we publish the next version of the Joint Local Plan for further consultation.

Should you have any queries in relation to the new Joint Local Plan, please do not hesitate to contact the Strategic Planning team using the contact details above. (Please note that when calling our main telephone number, 0300 123 4000, you will need to select option 5, and then option 4).

Yours sincerely



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