

District Councillor Report: Framsdén

July 2025

Council Meeting	<p>Mid Suffolk's monthly council meeting took place this month on the 26th June. The council welcomed newly elected Cllr Dr Agnes Watson following the recent bye election and discussed annual reports regarding Joint Audit (alongside Babergh council), and Overview & Scrutiny, a review into CIL expenditure by Cllr Stringer, and Mid Suffolk's new plans regarding the transformation of the Creting Road waste depot in Stowmarket, in preparation for the rollout of the Simpler Recycling scheme.</p> <p>The council voted to approve a motion from Cllr Overett, stating it's strong support for communities in Mid Suffolk who wish to adopt lower speed limits including 20 mph limits to improve road safety, and calling on SCC to make the process of revising speed limits simpler, less costly, and more transparent. Council also approved a motion from Cllr Carter to review the council's approach to disability and to appoint a Disability Champion</p>
Double glazing on listed buildings	<p>A consultation on the proposal to grant blanket consent for secondary double glazing on listed buildings is open until 11th July.</p> <p>Local Listed Building Consent Order - Windows - Mid Suffolk District Council - babergh.gov.uk / midsuffolk.gov.uk</p>
Warm homes (!)	<p>The council's support for households to reduce their energy use and emissions has received national recognition in the Climate Emergency Scorecards</p>
£3M CIL Fund for New Cycle Path to Link Mid Suffolk Villages	<p>A new cycleway and footpath to connect Woolpit with services in Elmswell will enable residents to access crucial services without the use of a car. The scheme is a key piece of active travel infrastructure for the district, and is supported in both Suffolk County Council and MSDC's Local Walking and Cycling Infrastructure Plans. SCC will adopt and maintain the path once constructed</p>
Church Awarded £33k CIL Fund For Sustainable Light and Heat System	<p>£33k as part of Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) funding has been given to Rattlesden Parochial Church council for a new heat and light chandelier for the church, allowing for a warmer, comfortable, and environmentally sustainable system for the church. Both this and the footpath were discussed and agreed upon in this month's council meeting</p>
Stowmarket Food Museum Funding	<p>Mid Suffolk has awarded the museum £1.4M to support their Lottery funding bid to redevelop the site and renovate the timber barn and Bobby building.</p>
Pride in your Place grant relaunched	<p>The fund which originally launched in 2023 to promote local identity and tidy up the environment is now open for applications. Parish Councils, voluntary and community groups can apply for grants between £250 - £5000. The fund can be used for community planting schemes, local heritage and cultural initiatives, new signage, benches and seating areas for public use, equipment for litter picks and community clean-up among other supported initiatives. For more information please visit our Community Funding page -</p> <p>https://www.midsuffolk.gov.uk/community-funding</p>
Local Government Reorganisation	<p>The survey for residents to express their views on the future of local government is still available on the Mid Suffolk District Council website:</p> <p>https://midsuffolk.govocal.com/en-gb/projects/have-your-say-suffolk</p>

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