



County Council Report for Walsham-le-Willows Parish Council – April 2019

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New Parking Order - Suffolk Co Co has (on 1st April) published a new map based Parking Order for Mid Suffolk, it shows all current on-street parking, loading and waiting restrictions. See: <https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/roads-and-transport/traffic-management-and-road-safety/waiting-and-loading-restrictions/>

Roadside Vegetation Trimming Guidance – If a town/parish council would like to undertake hedge or tree noticing there is now a registration mechanism with Suffolk Highways, mindful that special requirements apply to work during bird nesting season - 1st March to 31st July. Request details of this process from customer.service@suffolk.gcsx.gov.uk

Grass Cutting – Plans and improvements to this year’s programme include:

- Recruiting new contractors to work with Suffolk Highways to undertake the works.
- Assigning the County into two areas covered by two distinct contractors, rather than one
- Publishing the programme earlier to enable planning for additional cuts if needed.

The grass cutting programme is published online at [grass cutting webpages](#). It includes 2 cuts on the A & B network and a single cut on C & U roads, some flexibility is inbuilt for seasonal variation.

A140 Roundabouts – the planning application for two roundabouts on the A140 at Yaxley and Thrandeston/ Brome will be determined by the County Council planning committee on 30th April. Construction is anticipated this summer. Refer to: <http://suffolk.planning-register.co.uk/Planning/Display?applicationNumber=SCC/0110/18MS>

Womens OVO Cycle Race -.On Monday June 10th the first stage of Britain’s longest-running professional UCI Women’s World Tour series race will pass through Walsham en route to Stowmarket. Download the [Stage 1 map from Beccles to Stowmarket](#) (PDF, 734KB).

Energy Grants - A range of energy and environmental funding for community projects can be found at; <http://www.greensuffolk.org/green-communities/grants-and-funding-opportunities/>

For village halls: [Applicants can apply for grants by following this link.](#)

Extended Hours at Recycling Centres - Suffolk County Council’s 11 centres are open from 9am to 5pm every day (including Sundays, but NOT Wednesdays) from Monday 1 April to September. On Thursdays from May to August, all sites will be open until 7pm.



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MSDC Housing Land Supply - A March report concludes that there is now a 5.06-year housing land supply using July 2018 National Planning Policy Framework guidance. This enables Mid Suffolk to base current planning decisions for new homes on its Local Plan rather than on national policies. The new District home building target is a running average of 690 dwellings per year.

CIL May Bid Round and Updated Database - Mid Suffolk and Babergh's [Exacom database](#) – gives the public access to developer CIL and S106 contributions towards infrastructure back to 1974. Refer to the updated current CIL database for Mid Suffolk:

<https://baberghmidsuffolk.moderngov.co.uk/documents/s14239/MC1848%20CIL%20Expenditure%20Framework%20Review.pdf>

Please note that a new (3rd) CIL Bid Round opens on the 1st May and closes on the 31st May.

Neighbourhood Plans - Two communities – Debenham and Stradbroke -have seen their Neighbourhood Development Plans adopted in March as part of Mid Suffolk's Development Plan, they are the 2nd and 3rd areas in the district to complete this process. The Plans now become part of Mid Suffolk's Development Plan and will be material in determining planning applications.

Partnership with Norse Group - Mid Suffolk and Babergh District Councils have established joint venture companies to build local housing on council-owned land. Babergh Growth and Mid Suffolk Growth will work in partnership with property experts Norse Group, which has already established a similar successful partnership in Norfolk, known as Broadland Growth.

Upcoming Council Decisions & Meetings: The current Decisions List can always be viewed using the following link: <https://www.babergh.gov.uk/the-council/forthcoming-decisions-list/>

For agendas and minutes, please visit the [Democratic Services homepage](#).

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