

District Councillor Report: Coddendam Parish Council

September 2024

Supporting residents in need	To provide additional financial support. A further award of CTS to those in receipt of CTR up to the value of £50 to reduce their liability to council tax to replace a government fund which ends in October. Household Support Fund - Mid Suffolk District Council - baberghmidsuffolk.com
Stowmarket Town Centre Gateway Fund	To address vacancy rates and associated social and environmental impacts in Stowmarket Town Centre. A £1.5 million fund has been set up to enhance Stowmarket town centre. Stowmarket Town Centre Gateway Fund - Mid Suffolk District Council - baberghmidsuffolk.com
Local listed building development order (windows) and a local development order (solar PV on outbuildings)	Working with English Heritage BMSDC will make it easier for Grade II listed building owners to make energy efficiency upgrades to their properties subject to conditions. In the first place for works to windows and solar PV on outbuildings. To be reviewed annually as new energy efficiency technology evolves to make our listed buildings fit for the future. By the end of the autumn guidance for listed building owners will be available from MSDC.
Survey of residents	Mid Suffolk Council are carrying out an informal survey to find out how our residents want us to invest to improve facilities in our communities. This is an informal survey so if you have any ideas, please get in touch with either of your district councillors or visit the website here https://baberghandmidsuffolk.govocal.com/en-GB/projects/tell-us-mid-suffolk
Future waste collection service	Mid Suffolk Cabinet will be discussing the new waste collection service next week. The proposals include weekly food waste (the smelly stuff) collections from April 2026 as well as accepting more recyclable waste with the addition of a second recycling bin for every household. This means that the general waste black bin will not fill up as quickly, and the result being that there will be an average of 7 collections per month instead of 4 currently and the higher recycling rates evidenced in areas where this scheme is already in operation.
Innovation Awards	Businesses across the district are set to be recognised for fresh thinking and new ideas in the Babergh and Mid Suffolk Innovation awards this autumn. Nominations closed on 31 st August for the nine different awards available. The winners will be announced at a ceremony on Thursday 7 th November.
Needham Market old HQ building	The old HQ building in Needham Market is to be sold for development, in order to deliver the regeneration plans and funds for re-investment back into social housing. MSDC has already developed housing on the old Middle School site and part of the old office site behind the older building facing the high street.
Call for land summit	BMSDCs to host Call for land summit in September Councils to put landowners in touch with organisations that can help them improve their land for wildlife and nature.
Thurston By-election	Cllr Austin Davies has resigned from the Council due to the family relocating and a by-election will be held in Thurston Ward on 24 th September.

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