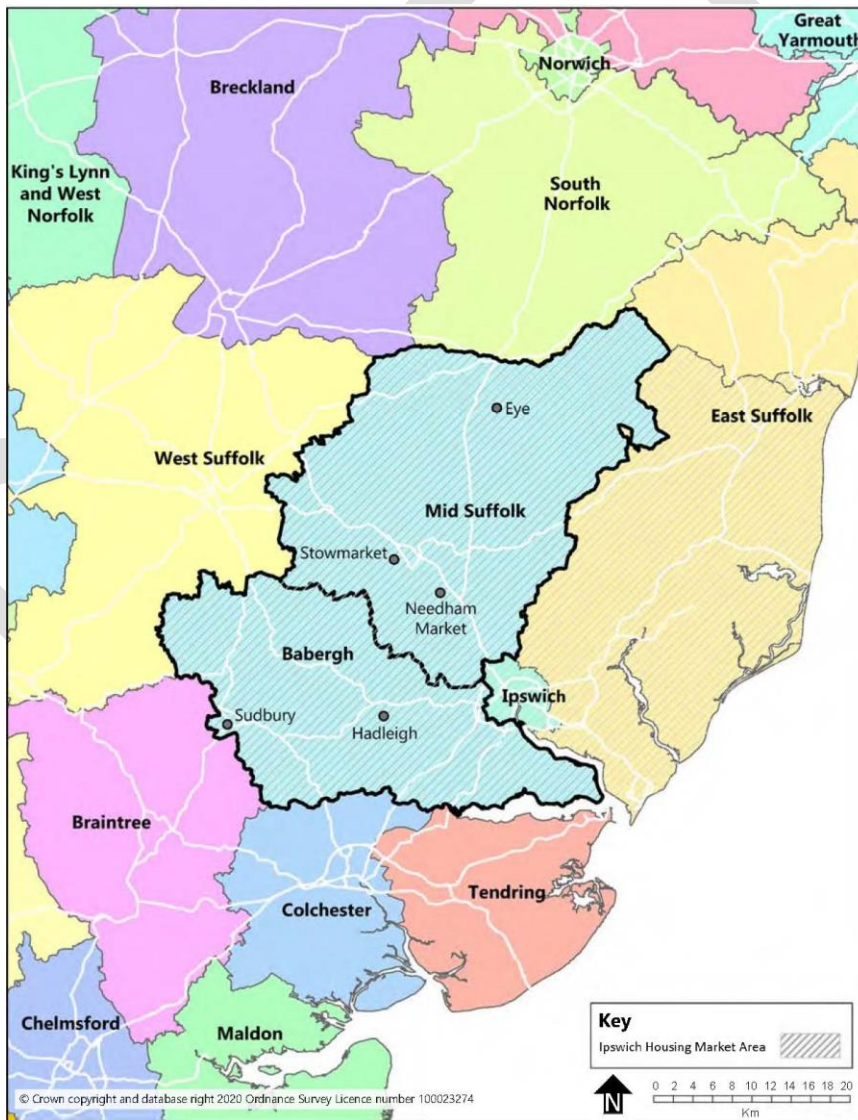


**Babergh and Mid Suffolk Joint Local Plan
Statement of Common Ground
Between
Babergh and Mid Suffolk District Councils
and
Suffolk County Council**

June 2021

1. Areas covered by the Statement of Common Ground

The Statement of Common Ground relates to the area covered by the local planning authorities of Babergh District Council and Mid Suffolk District Council.



2. Signatories to this Statement of Common Ground

The signatories to this Statement of Common Ground are:

- Babergh District Council,
- Mid Suffolk District Council, and
- Suffolk County Council.

3. Purpose and Scope of Statement of Common Ground

This Statement of Common Ground identifies the areas where Babergh and Mid Suffolk District Councils and Suffolk County Council are in agreement in principle on matters raised by Suffolk County Council to the JLP Pre-Submission (Regulation 19) Document (November 2020).

There has been extensive ongoing engagement between Babergh and Mid Suffolk District Councils and Suffolk County Council throughout the preparation of the Joint Local Plan (JLP). The Councils are continuing to work collaboratively through the Joint Local Plan Examination.

4. Matters raised where principle of suggested text agreed

Policy LP22 – Change in Land Use for Equestrian or Other Animal / . Rural Land Base Uses

LP22(1)(l) ~~The proposal must not cause any adverse impacts to highways safety. Significant impacts on highway safety or the function of the highway network must be mitigated. The resultant impact on highway safety or function must not be severe.~~

LP22(2)(h) ~~The proposal must not cause any adverse impacts to highways safety. Significant impacts on highway safety or the function of the highway network must be mitigated. The resultant impact on highway safety or function must not be severe.~~

Policy LP24 – New Agricultural / Rural Buildings in the Countryside

LP24(2)(d) ~~Proposals within rural areas must provide safe access. It must be demonstrated that such proposals would not cause significant levels of traffic severe cumulative impacts, particularly lorries/HGV's on rural roads.~~



Policy LP29 – Flood Risk and vulnerability

Policy LP29(3) ~~Mitigation is provided against existing and potential flood risks throughout the life of the development (including fluvial, surface, coastal and sewer flooding) through application of a sequential approach to flood risk, the implementation of Sustainable Drainage Systems (SuDS), and avoiding or mitigating risks to ground or surface water quality.~~

5. Process for reviewing the Statement of Common Ground

A further Statement of Common Ground will be produced for Matter 9 of the Joint Local Plan Examination.

6. Signatories

<p>Signed on behalf of Babergh District Council</p>  <p>Name: Tom Barker Position: Assistant Director, Sustainable Communities</p>	<p>Date: 04.06.21</p>
<p>Signed on behalf of Mid Suffolk District Council</p>  <p>Name: Tom Barker Position: Assistant Director, Sustainable Communities</p>	<p>Date: 04.06.21</p>
<p>Signed on behalf of Suffolk County Council</p> <p>Name: James Cutting Position: Head of Planning</p>	<p>Date:</p>