



Public Notice

The Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 (as amended) 'The Bures Neighbourhood Plan'

An application has been submitted by Bures Hamlet Parish Council and Bures St Mary Parish Council to their respective local planning authorities (Braintree District Council and Babergh District Council) to designate the two parishes as a single Neighbourhood Plan Area. The proposed area follows the parish boundaries.

If the application is successful, it will enable the two parishes to work together to prepare a Neighbourhood Plan (NP) covering the whole area. At the end of the preparation process, and if successfully 'made' (adopted), the NP will become part of planning framework for the designated area and be used by each authority to help determine planning applications where relevant.

Why are we consulting, and what are we consulting on?

Regulation 6 of the Neighbourhood Plan Regulations requires all multi-parish area applications to be consulted on for a minimum period of six-weeks. At the end of that period, both authorities must come to decision on whether or not to designate the whole plan area, and to issue a Decision Notice to that effect within a prescribed time period.

The **Area Designation Application** and proposed **Area Map** have been published on both local authority websites [see links below]. Paper copies may also be made available on request.

- <https://www.braintree.gov.uk/planning-building-control/neighbourhood-planning/13>
- www.babergh.gov.uk/BuresNP

At this stage, we are only consulting on the area being proposed, i.e., is it appropriate? For example, if there are properties bisected by the proposed boundary you may consider that they should be included or excluded from the designated area.

This is **not the time to submit detailed or specific comments** relating to other planning issues in the proposed area.

How to respond

All comments must be received by 4:00pm on Friday 15 October 2021. E-mail and postal address details are set out below. Our preference would be that responses are submitted by e-mail.

<p>Braintree District Council E: planningpolicy@braintree.gov.uk Post: FAO Allan Massow, Principal Planning Policy Officer, Braintree District Council, Causeway House, Bocking End, Braintree, Essex, CM7 9HB</p>	<p>Babergh District Council E: communityplanning@baberghmidsuffolk.gov.uk Post: FAO Paul Bryant, N'hood Planning Officer, Babergh & Mid Suffolk District Councils, Endeavour House, 8 Russell Road, Ipswich IP1 2BX</p>
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Please also note that all comments received will be held on file and, with the exception of personal details, published on both local authority websites.

[If you have any specific questions about the Bures NP, or wish to get involved, please contact the Parish Clerk]