

District Councillor Report: Elmswell Parish Council

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- New Joint Local Plan The draft Joint Local Plan was due to be discussed at Full Council in January, but unfortunately the administration has decided that putting it out for consultation in the next few months would be too difficult in the run up to the next election in May. Consequently, the draft Local Plan will now not be published until June. We have been told that it should still be on target to go to the inspector by the end of the year.
- 5 year Housing land supply In January MSDC published a consultation draft Housing Land Supply Position statement. This claims that MSDC has 5.32 year's supply. The consultation period runs until 28th February and a final statement should be published in March. The details can be found on the MSDC website <https://www.midsuffolk.gov.uk/planning/housing-delivery/>
- PCSO MSDC have agreed to fund two PCSO for the villages. PCSOs will be involved in a range of activities including parking related matters, speeding and low level anti-social behaviour, and will also be available to drop in on local businesses and community organisations. One PCSO is already out and about and the second has now been recruited.
- Area Parking Plan Following the adoption of the Civil Parking Enforcement orders, MSDC is producing an Area Parking Plan, which sets out the policies relating to parking within the district. Parking enforcement is to be carried out in Suffolk by the Districts and Boroughs. This is to be discussed by the Cabinet on Monday.
- Thedwastre Close Housing Following the site survey, the planning consultants concluded that due to surface water issues it was not expected to gain planning permission for redevelopment for this site and that the only option would be decontamination and refurbishment. An officer group has been set up to make the best use of the housing assets (such as this one) across the district.
- Locality Funding John and I have used up all our current Locality Funding. It is likely that another round of Councillor Locality funding is to be put into the 2019/20 budget.

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