



PUBLIC NOTICE

Consultation on the submission draft Hitcham Neighbourhood Plan 2022 - 2037

Notice is hereby given that Hitcham Parish Council have submitted their draft Neighbourhood Plan to Babergh District Council for consultation and independent examination. This draft plan sets out a vision for the parish and contains policies which it intends will be used to help determine planning applications within the designated area.

Consultation on the 'Plan Proposal'

In accordance with Regulation 16 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 (as amended), Babergh District Council are consulting on this submission draft plan between Monday 24 March and Friday 9 May 2025.

Written comments are being invited from statutory consultees and from those who live, work and carry on business in the designated area (the parish) on whether or not this 'plan proposal' (the submitted Plan) meets the basic condition tests set out in Paragraph 8(2) of Schedule 4B of the Town & Country Planning Act 1990 (inserted by the Localism Act 2011).

- The submitted Plan etc. can be found online at: www.babergh.gov.uk/HitchamNP
- Printed copies of the draft Plan have been deposited at Hitcham Village Store, The Causeway, IP7 7NE and All Saint's Church, Hitcham, for viewing / borrowing on request
- If you are having difficulties accessing the consultation documents, please call us on 0300 123 4000 (Option 5, Option 4) during office hours so we can explore ways to help you.

All representations (your comments) must be made in writing and must be received by no later than 4:00pm on Friday 9 May 2025

If needed, a template 'Response Form' is available on our website. You should e-mail your comments to communityplanning@baberghmidsuffolk.gov.uk or you can post them to: 'Hitcham NP Consultation', c/o Planning Policy Team, Babergh District Council, Endeavour House, 8 Russell Road, Ipswich, Suffolk, IP1 2BX. Without prior agreement, it will not be possible to accept late representations.

At the end of the consultation period all valid comments will be passed on to the Independent Examiner. Do not assume that there will be further opportunities to introduce new information.

All information collected and processed by the District Council at this stage is by virtue of our requirement under the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 (as amended). All comments received will be made publicly available and may be identifiable by name/organisation. All other personal information provided will be protected in accordance with the Data Protection Act 2018. For more information on how we do this and your rights with regards to your personal information, and how to access it, please visit our website or call customer services on 0300 123 4000 and ask to speak to the Information Governance Officer.