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Solar Partnership for Business

Babergh and Mid Suffolk Council have teamed up with West Suffolk Council to install solar panels on Business Owner's premises for free.

The electricity generated by the panels will be sold to the business at a rate lower than their current tariff, helping to save money on energy bills and reduce carbon emissions.

Solar for Business has been running in West Suffolk for nine years and saved more than a hundred businesses £700,000 approx.

To qualify, businesses must have a minimum consumption of 5,000 kWh per year.

For a firm paying 25p/kWh this would mean electricity bills of around £1,250 per year.

Latest CIL funding distribution

Town and Parish councils in Babergh are set to receive more than £274,000 in developer contributions to help community infrastructure keep pace with housing growth.

Grow your Wellbeing

Anyone in Sudbury or Great Cornard, aged 16+ who wants to learn about gardening, horticulture or nature conservation is invited to attend a free 'Grow Your Future' 12 week skills course. The course commences on Tuesday 20th May and runs until Monday 5th August at Belle Vue Park with sessions taking place from 10am to 12.30pm.

Free Compost for Babergh Residents

As part of Compost Awareness Week (4th to 10th May) in order to encourage people to adopt a greener lifestyle and enjoy the benefits of growing their own plants, Babergh is holding Free Compost giveaways this Spring. For residents in this area the local collection point will be the Station Road car park in Sudbury from 8am on Saturday 10th May.

Suffolk's Climate Action Plan for Schools

More than 30 Suffolk schools recently attended a conference to help them write their Climate Action Plans and deliver sustainability initiatives.

Suffolk's Local Nature Recovery Strategy consultation

A public consultation for Suffolk's local Nature Recovery Strategy has begun and will run until Wednesday 11th June. This will identify priorities and actions for restoring and enhancing nature across the county. Further details are on SCC website.