

Our ref: Baylham NP LGS Consultation

Dated: Tuesday 22 April 2025

Sent by e-mail

Dear Sir / Madam

1. Baylham Neighbourhood Plan 2024 - 2037

2. Focused Consultation: Proposed deletion of Local Green Space no's 1, 2, 3, & 4

We are contacting you because you are a statutory consultee or because you or your client have previously expressed interest in the Baylham Neighbourhood Plan. This Plan is now at the examination stage.

On 9 April 2025, the Examiner sent an 'Open Letter' to the Parish Council which set out her initial assessment of the proposed Local Green Spaces [LGS] identified in Policy BAY 6. In summary, this letter explains that four of these LGS (no's 1, 2, 3 and 4) are not demonstrably special in terms of their designation (as required by para. 107(b) of the National Planning Policy Framework, Dec. 2024). The Examiner has therefore proposed that these four LGS should be deleted from Plan.

The Open Letter also explains that the above would constitute a significant change to the Plan. Consequently, the Parish Council were given the opportunity to consider whether it wished to withdraw their draft Plan from examination or to continue with the examination on the understanding that the final report will recommend the deletion of these four LGS. Responding, the Parish Council have agreed to proceed on the basis of the latter option.

At the Examiners request, this letter now publicises the intended deletion of these four LGS from the draft Plan, and it invites interested parties to submit written comments on this proposed significant modification only. Those comments must arrive by no later than 4:00pm on Wednesday 7 May 2025.

- You can email your comments to: communityplanning@baberghmidsuffolk.gov.uk
- Alternatively, you can post them to: 'Baylham NP LGS Consultation', c/o Planning Policy Team, Mid Suffolk District Council, Endeavour House, 8 Russell Road, Ipswich, IP1 2BX

If you have previously submitted written representations on this Plan that are unaffected by the matter described above, you do need to respond. The Examiner already has your comments on the rest of the Plan, and these will be taken into account.

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Please also note that any comments submitted at this stage cannot be treated as confidential and, with the exception of personal contact details, they will be published on our Baylham Neighbourhood Plan webpage after this consultation has ended.

Yours faithfully

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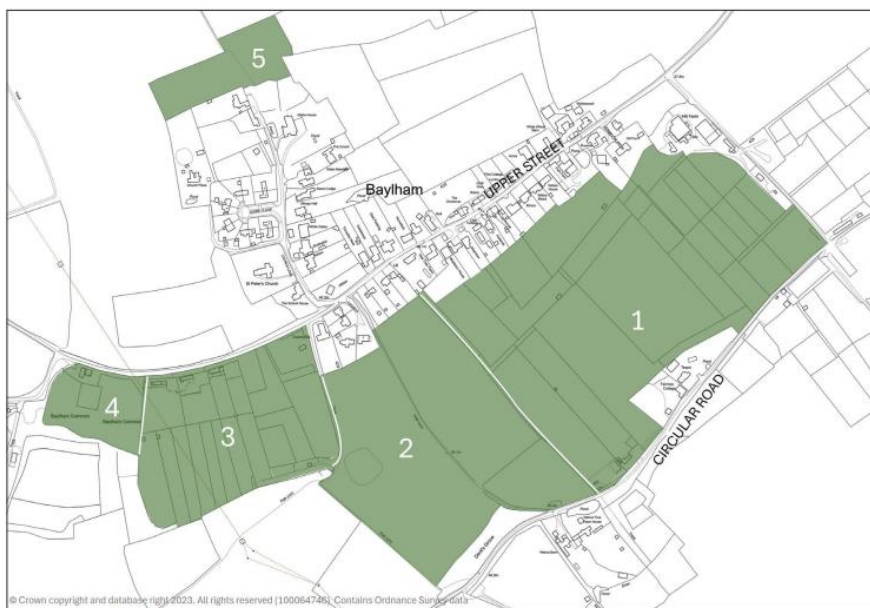
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Background Notes:

1. The submission draft Baylham Neighbourhood Plan can be found online at:

<https://www.midsuffolk.gov.uk/documents/d/mid-suffolk/baylham-np-sub-draft-dec24>

All five proposed Local Green Spaces are shown on Map 7 (page 21) and on the Policy Inset Map (page 34). For convenience, Map 7 is reproduced below:



Map 7 - Local Green Spaces

2. The Open Letter can be found within the Examination Correspondence document:

<https://www.midsuffolk.gov.uk/documents/d/mid-suffolk/baylham-np-exam-correspondence>

3. You may also want to re-visit the Local Green Space Assessment submitted as supporting evidence to the Baylham Neighbourhood Plan:

<https://www.midsuffolk.gov.uk/documents/d/mid-suffolk/baylham-np-lgs-assessment>

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