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New CIL funding -community infrastructure levy New charging agreed to improve local infrastructure

A new range of charges, which developers are required to pay to help improve infrastructure in East Suffolk, has been agreed.

Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) is a fee which East Suffolk Council charges developers when new development is built in the district. CIL can then be put towards improvements to local infrastructure, such as play areas, schools, transport schemes and GP surgeries. At a Full Council meeting on Wednesday 28 June, a new East Suffolk CIL charging schedule was adopted, which will come into force from 1 August 2023. The new schedule replaces two separate schedules for the former Waveney and Suffolk Coastal districts.

Halesworth is within a mid-tier residential area, and so new CIL charges are £100 per sqm for residential developments.

https://www.eastsuffolk.gov.uk/community-infrastructure-levy/

Helping families access affordable school uniform

Community groups, organisations and town and parish councils are invited to apply for funding to help provide school uniform to East Suffolk families in need.

The East Suffolk Uniform Bank grant scheme provides funding for community groups to open a new uniform bank or expand an existing uniform bank.

Once operational, donations of new or pre-loved good-quality uniform, sportswear and school equipment can be made to the banks, which will then be made available to families who may be struggling to afford uniform.

Full details about how to apply can be found at https://www.eastsuffolk.gov.uk/uniform-bank-grant-scheme/

For further details, please contact gemma.fraser@eastsuffolk.gov.uk

New partnership deal proposed by East Suffolk in 2021 now in force ESSL comes into force on July 3rd 2023

A new and separate service to East Suffolk Council – East Suffolk Services Limited – has now taken over the previous Norse contract as of July 3rd 2023. Services include waste management, recycling collection, parks and recreational area management etc.