

District councillor Derek Davis report to Chelmondiston Parish Council March 2019

Still no news on any formal application on land by Hill House Farm.

Eight social homes have been given permission to replace three prefabs in Shotley. Three have been allocated as local needs, meaning Chelmondiston residents will get priority if no Shotley or Erwarton residents are eligible. The other five are designated for Babergh-wide needs, meaning Chelmondiston residents can apply for the two bed properties.

Babergh cabinet will scrap means testing for people applying for our Disabled Facilities Grant less than £5,000. The fund is for people looking to assist in any form people looking to adapt, repair, or rebuild residential property. The idea is to people are able to stay at home and live independently.

Babergh have agreed to allow a Business Rate relief of up to a third on businesses with a rateable value of less than £51,000 for 2019/2020.

I have been asked to represent Babergh at Westminster after a team within my portfolio as cabinet member for Organisational Delivery were shortlisted for a national award for their work on the new Exacom database, giving comprehensive information on CIL and S106 going back to 1974.