



## YOUR DISTRICT



Lady Street, Lavenham

The district covers an area of 240 square miles from Shotley in the Southeast to Lawshall in the Northwest. It is a large and diverse rural area with 76 parishes including two towns, Hadleigh and Sudbury.

There are 84,000 people living in the district and over the last 10 years we have experienced an expanding and ageing population. We expect that trend to continue. Between the 1991 and 2001 census:-

- The total population increased by 3,800 (5%).
- The number of young people under 20 did not change.
- The number of young adults between 20 and 30 fell by 2,500 (25%).
- The number of residents over 60 increased by 2,200 (13%).

We are also aware that whilst a large part of our district is not economically deprived when compared with the national position, there are pockets of deprivation in parts of Sudbury and Great Cornard.

So, in formulating our plans for the future, we have considered how the district's population and its needs will change, and what that will mean for the district and the services we provide.

## VISION

We have a vision that Babergh should be a district where strong and inclusive communities are built on active citizenship and where all citizens have the opportunity to develop to their full potential.



Canon Ament,  
Glemsford

We all face the challenges of a rapidly changing society and we need to move forward together if we are to make that vision a reality.

Partnership with our citizens and other organisations is the key.



Climbing Wall, Great  
Cornard Sports Centre

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