

## Babergh Price Increase 26/27



**From** BMSDC Public Realm Mailbox <public.realm@baberghmidsuffolk.gov.uk>

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Dear Clerk,

I'm sorry that the letter you received from the Public Realm team on 17th Feb 2026 regarding the annual price increase for litter and dog bin emptying services may have reached you after the meeting at which you will have set your annual precept. In past years this charge has increased by inflation, but the Council has more recently had to make the decision to move to full cost recovery of its chargeable services and without adequate notification we appreciate this has resulted in this unexpected level of increase. The problem being that with our annual billing and budgeting cycle, we have not properly addressed the timing and earlier notification required to allow you to make timely budgetary decisions. To ensure this situation does not arise again we will send you a pre notification letter next year before Christmas, detailing the expected charge subject to full council approval in the February Budget.

Should your council not be able to afford or accept the increase in charges then we are happy to work with you to look at reducing the number of bins you have for collection. If you decide you want the same number of bins collected, but want extra time to pay this charge, then please also contact us.

Please accept my apologies for any difficulties this may have caused you .

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