

# IMPORTANT - THETFORD GOVERNANCE REVIEW

Thetford Town Council has asked Breckland District Council to review the governance arrangements for the new development of 5,000 new homes, known as the Sustainable Urban Extension (SUE), which lies in the parishes of Croxton and Kilverstone (see map below). Review the arrangements and time table at: <https://www.breckland.gov.uk/CGR-review-2018>

In essence, Thetford Town Council is seeking to move the town boundary to absorb the SUE into the Town Council and be allowed to have 4 extra councillors. Thetford has already taken over some parts of Kilverstone, absorbing Cloverfield and tried, unsuccessfully, to take over Arlington Way in Brettenham Parish and Hill House Lane/Heathlands Drive in Croxton Parish. Both Croxton & Brettenham and Kilverstone Parish Councils have objected to this proposed boundary change as once the SUE starts to be developed, they will seek the extra councillors and believe that they would be better placed to look after the needs of the growing community. To this end, the 2 Parish Councils have developed a Joint Neighbourhood Plan (JNP) which has been submitted to Breckland. This plan will ensure the rural nature of the 3 parishes is preserved, the new residents of the SUE integrated into our growing community and that the whole community of all 3 parishes benefits from the new community facilities to be built in the SUE. Further the 2 Parish Councils will ensure the parish precept of all residents' council tax remains broadly in line with its present level of 18 – 20% of Thetford's, as shown below:

<b>Tax band D</b>	<b>Thetford</b>	<b>£ 122.71 pa</b>	<b>100 %</b>	<b>That's over £100 for each household &amp; even more for a Band E-G property</b>
	<b>Brettenham &amp; Kilverstone</b>	<b>£ 21.60 pa</b>	<b>18 %</b>	

This review is out for consultation which ends on Friday 16 March at 1700. It is extremely important that **everyone** living in the 3 parishes voices their view of this proposal. This should be done either on line at:

<https://www.breckland.gov.uk/article/7478/Thetford-Consultation>

or by email to: [elections@breckland.gov.uk](mailto:elections@breckland.gov.uk)

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**(Please be sure to include your name, address, and email address as well as your views)**

