



**PARISH OF GROBY
NOTICE OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**

I hereby give notice that the **MEETING** of the **PARISH COUNCIL** of the above-named
Parish will be held at the **Parish Council Office, Leicester Road, Groby**
on

Monday 3rd August 2026 at 7.00pm

All members of the Council are hereby summoned to attend for the purpose of considering and
resolving the business to be transacted at the meeting as set out hereunder.

Parishioners and Press are most welcome to attend

Sue Hackett

Sue Hackett
Clerk to the Council

29th July 2026

AGENDA

1. CHAIR'S WELCOME

2. APOLOGIES

To receive apologies for absence and to record absences

3. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS AND REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS

To receive any disclosure of interests from members to any matter pertaining to the agenda and to
consider dispensations

4. MINUTES

- i. To approve and sign the minutes of the Annual Meeting of Groby Parish Council held on 6th July 2026
- ii. To approve and sign the minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of Council held on 20th July 2026

5. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

To allow members of the public to make representations in respect of the items listed on this agenda

6. POLICE REPORT

To receive any reports from the Police

7. COUNTY COUNCILLOR REPORT

To receive a report from Leicestershire County Council and to answer any questions from members

8. BOROUGH COUNCILLOR REPORTS

To receive reports from Hinckley & Bosworth Borough Council and answer any questions from members

- 9. CLERK'S REPORT** To receive a report from the Clerk on matters not mentioned elsewhere on the agenda
- i. To receive an update on the Summer Picnic in the Park Event on Sunday 16th August 2026.

10. CORRESPONDENCE

To receive, note and consider correspondence to the Council

13.	National Grid	Request to carry out tree work (close to power lines) on Council land. Work to be carried out at no cost to Council	Council to NOTE
14.	Beacon Race Events	Information about a trail running event passing through Groby in May 2027	Council to NOTE

11. COUNCILLOR RESIGNATION

To receive and note the resignation of Cllr Geoff Baker

12. STAFFING COMMITTEE

To consider the appointment of additional members to the Staffing Committee

13. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

- i. To receive and note the approved minutes from the Committee meeting held on 14th May 2026
- ii. To receive an update from the Committee and consider a resolution on the future of the Klondyke and its inclusion in the Neighbourhood Plan

14. COMMUNITY GRANT FUNDING

To receive and consider a Grant Application in line with Groby Parish Council's Grant Awarding Policy

15. FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE

- i. To receive and note the draft minutes from the Committee Meeting held on 27th July 2026

To receive the recommendations from the Committee from the meeting held on 27th July 2026

- ii. To receive a report and consider the Committee's recommendation in relation to a new Health and Safety Support Service
- iii. To receive and note the Income & Expenditure Report and EMR Report to 24th July 2026
- iv. To approve the recommended budget and EMR virements (movements)
- v. To receive and note the verified and signed bank reconciliations for June 2026
- vi. To approve payments of accounts and to note income

16. ESTATES COMMITTEE

To receive and note the approved minutes from the Committee meeting held on 4th June 2026

17. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

To confirm the next Full Council meeting is scheduled to take place on Monday 7th September 2026 at 7pm

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**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF GROBY PARISH COUNCIL
HELD AT THE PARISH COUNCIL OFFICE, LEICESTER ROAD, GROBY
ON 6th JULY 2026 COMMENCING AT 7.00PM**

Councillors Present:

Cllr C Lincoln (Chair)	Cllr G Baker	Cllr N Clarke	Cllr E Emmerson
Cllr K Griffiths	Cllr T Hollick	Cllr N Jones	Cllr A Mullins
Cllr C Mullins	Cllr G Richardson	Cllr L Trivett	Cllr C York

Also Present:

Parish Clerk
County Cllr O'Shea
Members of the Public - 1

COU/056/26-27 CHAIR'S WELCOME

The Chair welcomed all to the meeting and advised that the meeting was being recorded.

COU/057/26-27 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Cllr P Batty, Cllr D Hyde and Cllr S Jones. **RESOLVED** to accept these apologies. Apologies had also been received from Borough Cllr Lambert.

COU/058/26-27 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr Hollick declared an interest as a Borough Councillor and Village Hall trustee.
Cllr York declared a non-pecuniary interest in Groby CIC and an interest in the allotments.
Cllr Trivett declared a non-pecuniary interest in Groby CIC.

COU/059/26-27 MINUTES

- i. It was **AGREED** to amend the title on Page 10 to remove the word 'Annual' and to correct a spelling error at minute reference COU/042/26-27v. on Page 13.

Further to these amendments it was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Meeting of Groby Parish Council held on 15th June 2026 be approved and signed by the Chair as a true and accurate record.
Cllrs N Jones and Richardson abstained.

- ii. **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of Council held on 23rd June 2026 be approved and signed by the Chair as a true and accurate record.
Cllr Clarke abstained.

COU/060/26-27 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was none.

COU/061/26-27 POLICE REPORT

The Police Report was included in members' packs and was **NOTED**. Members **NOTED** the hi-powered e-bikes and e-scooters that had been witnessed racing down Ratby Road and Pymm Ley Lane.

It was **AGREED** for the Clerk to write to the Local Beat team to make them aware and to request greater presence.

COU/062/26-27 COUNTY COUNCILLOR REPORT

A report from County Councillor O'Shea was included in members' packs and **NOTED**. The report detailed:

- Update on the Pedestrian crossing requests for Groby Road (Junction with Bancroft Way) and Ratby Road (outside Brookvale Groby Community College). Leicestershire County Council had undertaken assessments at both locations. The results from both assessments fell below the threshold required to justify the provision of additional crossing facilities. Further evidence of the parking issues at the locations had been requested by LCC in order to investigate installing double yellow lines.
- The decision on the Local Government Reorganisation was expected on 15th July 2026.

- Advance notice of Temporary Traffic Restriction Order on Glebe Road, Groby.
- Councils across Leicestershire unite to tackle illegal fly-tipping.

COU/063/26-27 BOROUGH COUNCILLOR REPORTS

Cllr Hollick had nothing to report.
No other Borough Councillor reports had been received.

COU/064/26-27 CLERK'S REPORT

A report was received from the Clerk which detailed:

- Members were advised that the resurfacing of the pathway at Marina Park had now been carried out. Small sections of Stamford Park path were still awaiting re-surfacing which would be carried out shortly.
- Members were advised that the bough of a Willow tree on Marina Park had come down resulting in emergency tree works by an external contractor to make the tree safe and remove debris from site.
- Members were advised that the next community litter pick event was taking place on Saturday 5th September 2026 between 10am – 12 noon.

COU/065/26-27 COUNCILLORS REPORT

A report from Cllr Lincoln following her attendance at the NALC Annual Conference was circulated to members at the meeting and **NOTED**.

COU/066/26-27 CORRESPONDENCE

To receive and note correspondence to the Council

9.	Bellrose Manor	Invite to Opening Day	This was NOTED .
10.	Sunrise Wellbeing	Request for volunteer(s)	RESOLVED that as this was private land it would not be possible to support this request and to respond to the company accordingly.
11.	Leicestershire County Council	Temporary Traffic Regulation Order	A TTRO for Glebe Road was included in members' packs and NOTED .
12.	National Grid	Request to carry out tree work (close to power lines) on Council land. Work to be carried out at no cost to Council.	RESOLVED to grant permission for the tree work to be carried out at no cost to Council.

COU/067/26-27 FREEDOM OF INFORMATION

A formal request to carry out an Internal Review in relation to a Freedom of Information response was included in members' packs.

RESOLVED for Cllr Trivett, Cllr C Mullins and Cllr Griffiths to conduct the Internal Review.

COU/068/26-27 ESTATES COMMITTEE

To consider the appointment of additional members to the Estates Committee

RESOLVED to appoint Cllr C Mullins to the Estates Committee

COU/069/26-27 FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE

- To receive and note the draft minutes from the Committee Meeting held on 29th June 2026**
The draft minutes from the meeting held on 29th June 2026 were included in members' packs and **NOTED**.
- To receive and note the Income & Expenditure and EMR Reports to 25th June 2026**
The Income and Expenditure report and EMR report to 25th June 2026 were included in members' packs and **NOTED**.

iii. To receive and note the verified and signed bank reconciliations for April and May 2026

The verified and signed bank reconciliations for April and May 2026 showing a bank balance of £360,225.97 as at 31st May 2026 were included in members' packs and **NOTED**.

iv. To approve payments of accounts and to note income

A Receipt Schedule detailing Income of **£ 737.00** was received and **NOTED**

RECEIPT SCHEDULE

Amounts received since last meeting

<i>Name</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Amount £</i>
Groby Juniors	Permit Fee	80.00
Lee Cooper Funeral	Memorial Permit	152.00
Resident	Cemetery Fees	345.00
Stallholder	Summer Event Stallholder Fees	10.00
Local Company	Removal and scrap value for obsolete Council van	150.00
Total		£ 737.00

A payment schedule detailing net payments of **£ 21,371.65** was included in members' packs.

RESOLVED to approve the Payment Schedule and make all the payments that were presented to the meeting.

PAYMENT SCHEDULE				
Payee	Details	Net Amount £	Vat £	Gross £
HBBC	Office & Premises Rates	221.00	-	221.00
HBBC	Cemetery Rates	140.50	-	140.50
HBBC	Qtrly: Dog Bin Contract Q2: 1st Jul - 30th Sept 2026	1,488.50	297.70	1,786.20
HBBC	Qtrly: Refuse & Recycling Q2: 1st Jul - 30th Sept 2026	353.60	-	353.60
Grobby Village Hall	Quarterly Rent Q1: 1st Jul - 30th Sept 2026	605.54	-	605.54
Siemens	Quarterly Photocopier Lease Rental: Jun - Aug 2026	176.62	35.32	211.94
Daisy Communications	Telephone & Broadband Charges	38.00	7.60	45.60
Scottish Power	Cemetery electricity	52.38	2.62	55.00
Stallard Kane	H&S Advisors	148.50	29.70	178.20
Various	June 2026 Salaries	7,559.19	-	7,559.19
HMRC	Tax & NI - June 2026	2,418.92	-	2,418.92
Leicestershire County Council	LGPS - Pension June 2026	1,724.46	-	1,724.46
Various	Mileage - June 2026	126.15	-	126.15
GPC Employee	Train Tickets x 2 (NALC Conference in London)	166.78	-	166.78
Print-a-Banner	Summer Event Banner	75.88	13.90	89.78
Pubpay & Stonehenge	Payroll Services: June 2026	20.70	4.14	24.84
Shed Landscapes	Grounds Maintenance: June 2026	2,533.36	506.67	3,040.03
AllStar Fuel Card	Van Fuel:	98.00	19.60	117.60
AllStar Fuel Card	Fuel Card: Equipment Fuel	48.00	9.60	57.60
AJ Gallagher Insurance	Additional Premium: Any over 21 driver	400.27	-	400.27
Playsafety Ltd	Annual RoSPA Playground Inspection 2026	696.00	139.20	835.20
Nicola Wood	Sensory Garden Murals x 2	600.00	-	600.00
Parish Council Websites	Domain Renewal x 2 years	60.00	12.00	72.00
Hinckley & Bosworth Borough Council	Cemetery Garden Waste Bin 2026-27	52.50	-	52.50
Tudor Environmental	Refuse Sacks & PPE Disposable Gloves	109.41	21.88	131.29
ESPO	Office Stationary	35.80	7.16	42.96
Granart	Kerb Sets and Rose Bowls x 8	640.00	-	640.00
Granart	Kerb Plaques x 2	172.00	-	172.00
Sharp Business	Photocopying Charges: Apr-Jun 2026	298.67	59.73	358.40
ICCM	2026-27 Annual Membership	110.00	-	110.00
Toolstation	Grounds maintenance sundries	17.59	3.52	21.11
Screwfix	Electric Concrete Breaker (Cemetery Insurance Claim)	183.33	36.67	220.00
		£ 21,371.65	£ 1,207.01	£ 22,578.66

COU/070/26-27 COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Approved minutes from the following Committee meetings were included in members' packs and **NOTED**.

- i. Planning & Development Committee meeting held on 16th April 2026
- ii. Events Committee Meeting held on 9th June 2026

COU/071/26-27 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next meeting is scheduled for Monday 3rd August 2026 at 7 pm.

The meeting closed at 7.47 pm

Signed:.....

Date:.....

Chair

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**MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF GROBY PARISH COUNCIL
HELD AT THE PARISH COUNCIL OFFICE, LEICESTER ROAD, GROBY
ON 20th JULY 2026 COMMENCING AT 5.30PM**

Councillors Present: Cllr C Lincoln (Chair) Cllr L Emmerson Cllr K Griffiths
Cllr T Hollick Cllr L Trivett Cllr C York

Also Present: Parish Clerk

COU/073/26-27 CHAIR'S WELCOME

The Chair welcomed all to the meeting and advised that the meeting would not be recorded due to the confidential nature of matters to be discussed.

COU/074/26-27 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Cllrs Batty, Clarke, Hyde, A Mullins, C Mullins and G Richardson. Cllrs G Baker, N Jones, and S Jones were absent. **RESOLVED** to accept these apologies.

COU/075/26-27 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS AND REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS

There were none.

COU/076/26-27 CLOSED SESSION

RESOLVED to move into Closed Session to exclude members of the press and public in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, due to the confidential nature of the business to be discussed in relation to consideration of staffing matters.

COU/077/26-27 STAFFING MATTERS

i. To receive the recommendations from the Recruitment Panel and to approve the appointment of the Grounds Operative

Members were advised that following shortlisting, six applicants had been invited for interview however only four applicants attended for interview on Thursday 16th July 2026.

A confidential report detailing information regarding the interviews along with the recommendations of the Recruitment Panel was circulated to those at the meeting.

RESOLVED that Candidate 4 be offered the position of Grounds Operative on the terms outlined in the confidential report.

ii. To discuss and consider staff training requirements

A recommendation report from the Staffing Committee in respect of staff training requirements was received and discussed.

RESOLVED to approve the staff training courses as detailed in the report.

COU/078/26-27 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of Full Council to be held on Monday 3rd August 2026 at 7pm.

The meeting closed at 5.55 p.m.

Signed:.....

Chair

Date:.....

Chair's Initials _____

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Extraordinary Meeting of GPC 20.07.2026



**Leicestershire
Police**
Protecting our communities

Market Bosworth & Surrounding villages Newsletter

Issue: August 2026

Your Local Team



**Sgt James
Cross**



PC 611 Smith



**PC Nik
Malbasa**

Your Dedicated Neighbourhood Team (DNT) is a group of local Officers dedicated to serving your community. The team is made up of Officers based in your area and supported by the wider Policing family.



**PCSO 6593
Needham**



**PCSO Blake
Sheffield**



**PC 404 Lewis
Greenway**

Your priorities are chosen quarterly and are based upon information gathered through NHL (Neighbourhood Link), social media, local engagement, and emerging crime trends. You have stated that the following key themes are important to you.

#YouSaidWeDid

You Said	We did
ASB - dirtbikes and scrambler motorbikes racing around the villages of Groby and Ratby as well as the Martinshaw woods.	See below for full update
Crimes of burglary from dwelling through the rural villages beat.	To combat this you can expect your local police team to be out on high visibility patrols. Where victims of crime are identified, visits to neighbouring properties have been completed to explore all possible lines of enquiry and to ensure that crime prevention advice and equipment is provided to reduce the risk of future victims.
Overweight vehicles are driving through restricted areas causing problems for villages and getting stuck.	We are working with local villages and parish councils to understand the issue, identifying companies that are repeatedly committing these breaches and will be taking a phased approach to resolving the matters via awareness and enforcement. Proactive operations are planned to take place in hot spot areas where offending vehicles will be dealt with positively.

News

Whilst out of their patrol car Officers heard the unmistakable sound of pops and bangs. Being less than a mile out from one of the hotspots for car-related ASB reports, they knew exactly where they were needed, and before anyone had managed to call it in, we were already heading straight there. By the time we arrived at the A511, a large car meet was setting up shop and they did not fancy sticking around to see our flashy lights and keen eye for an undeclared moderation. Sadly for those who weren't behaving, maybe a petrol station forecourt with high-quality CCTV isn't the best place to be. 20 ASB warning letters were issued to people witnessed racing, doing burnouts and more. The little red post van will be busy again. And yes, we are doing more than sending letters. These letters are a clear warning that the behaviour has been witnessed, recorded and linked to the vehicle. If it continues, we will take further action. New S.59 powers allow us to seize vehicles used in an anti-social manner on the first occasion without prior warning, so the envelope dropping through the letterbox is the best you could hope for if we've spotted you.

We have conducted a patch walk on Jenny's Way, Ratby, with the beat team and representatives from Platform Housing and Hinckley & Bosworth Borough Council. A number of issues were raised by residents and a collaborative problem solving approach will be looked at to try and resolve these issues going forward.

The beat team assisted HBBC in providing evidence in relation to an address in Groby where the resident had been causing significant ASB to neighbours. The evidence provided by police and HBBC has been presented to the Magistrates Court whereby a Full Closure order was granted preventing anyone including the resident to be at the address.

We have seen an increase in the number of reported incidents of Anti - Social Behaviour in the recent weeks in the Ratby area, involving teenagers. This ASB has now increased in nature to Criminal Damage and other offences. We have seen issues at the following locations: Use of Illegal of E-bikes/E-scooters and off road motorbikes on Jenny's Way and through Martinshaw Woods; Smashed windows at Ratby Primary School; Criminal damage to Ratby football club storage containers; Vandalism to the changing rooms at Ratby Cricket Club and Vandalism at Pear Tree Allotments. This is just a small number of the incidents so far with other locations not listed but we are aware of. Patrols have increased in Ratby, crime prevention devices have been given out already to some locations with more to be visited. Parents, can we ask that you are aware of where your children are in Ratby and what they are getting up to. It is only a small few that are sadly spoiling things for everyone else. If people are aware of who's involved or have information that might help stop this behaviour from escalating further, please contact Leicestershire Police and the beat team will happily look into this as a matter of urgency.

NEIGHBOURHOOD LINK:

Neighbourhood Link is a community messaging service from Leicestershire Police that provides news and information about policing activity or initiatives, crime prevention advice as well as major incidents affecting your area. In order to receive messages, you will need to register your details. Registration is free and simple to follow. Sign up at: <https://www.neighbourhoodlink.co.uk>

Please also take the time to let the Beat understand your concerns by completing the survey to the right. Simply scan your camera over the top and click.



Community engagements



[Leics.police.uk/local-policing/](http://www.leics.police.uk/local-policing/)



HinckleyPolice



@HinckleyPolice



hinckleyandblabynpa@leics.police.uk

BEAT SURGERY/EVENTS

Ratby Village Hall, 35 Main Street, Ratby
6th August 11-12

St Peters Parish Hall Market Bosworth
18th August 11-12

Thornton Community Centre
24th August 1500-1600

County Councils Report August 2026.

The Labour Government Devolution or I say Labour Land Grab would be more appropriate.

In mid-July the government published its proposals for Leicester and Leicestershire. Its clear to anyone that this is politically motivated by a labour government in favour of Leicester City's Labour Mayor Peter Soulsby. Its clearly not a democratic decision of the residents of Leicestershire as no public consultation has been officially requested. With what's at stake to the County their should have been a referendum. This is nothing more than a land grab Labour have given a massive chunk of the County to the City taking away a vast amount of housing rates and business rates from the County Council. This will have a knock-on effect the County's Rate payers and services. The Conservative group at County Hall have arrange for a mass demonstration at County Hall on Thursday 6th August at 1pm Prior to the emergency County Council meeting. Our Closest Neighbours Glenfield, Kirby Muxloe and Anstey have all been included in the City Land Grab. Groby Ratby and Fieldhead remain in the County. Rest assured I shall be fighting this proposal as your County Councillor and supporting a Judicial Review proposal by the Councils across Leicestershire.



Chief Executives of Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland Councils

Beatrice Andrews

Deputy Director, Local Government Reorganisation

Ministry of Housing, Communities & Local Government

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20 July 2026

Dear Chief Executives,

Thank you for your continued engagement and hard work throughout this process.

As you know, the Secretary of State has decided to move forward with implementation of the two unitary proposal submitted by Leicester City Council. In doing so, in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007, the Secretary of State will exercise the power to modify the proposal to achieve the boundary change requested alongside their proposal, with the exception of the part parishes. This is, of course, subject to Parliamentary approval. We will now prepare the necessary Structural Changes Order, which will be shared with you in due course for review and any factual amendments. This letter provides information on the decisions Ministers have taken in relation to that Order, the additional information that we require from you by **17 August**, the allocations of grant for the new unitary councils, and the next steps in the process.

Overview of the Structural Changes Order

As we have previously discussed, the Order will establish the new councils and abolish the existing councils. Your councils will remain responsible for services in your areas until they are abolished on 1 April 2028 and will be under a duty to co-operate with each other and with the new councils. The Order provides the transitional arrangements, with the core of that being elections to ‘shadow’ councils in 2027 and providing them with preparatory functions, including the preparation of budgets and plans, to enable the assumption of local government functions and powers on 1 April 2028. It will also provide duties to implement a Leader and Cabinet model, appoint statutory officers, and adopt codes of conduct and members’ allowances.

The Order will provide for matters that Ministers have decided upon following consideration of information in your proposals and your representations submitted in response to my letter of 19 May 2026. Some other matters have also been identified where we will need further input from you by **17 August** in order to finalise the Order and move through the stages described below.

Ministers have also noted that there have been a number of councils who have requested further time to respond on some matters, such as names and

councillor numbers. While decisions have been reached, having regard to proposals, representations and all other information available to them, to allow progress to be made, Ministers have been clear that they will consider any further unanimous representations (i.e. from all affected councils within the area of a new unitary) made by **17 August**. The final decision on what to include in the legislation is ultimately for the Secretary of State to ensure any new councils are well placed to go live.

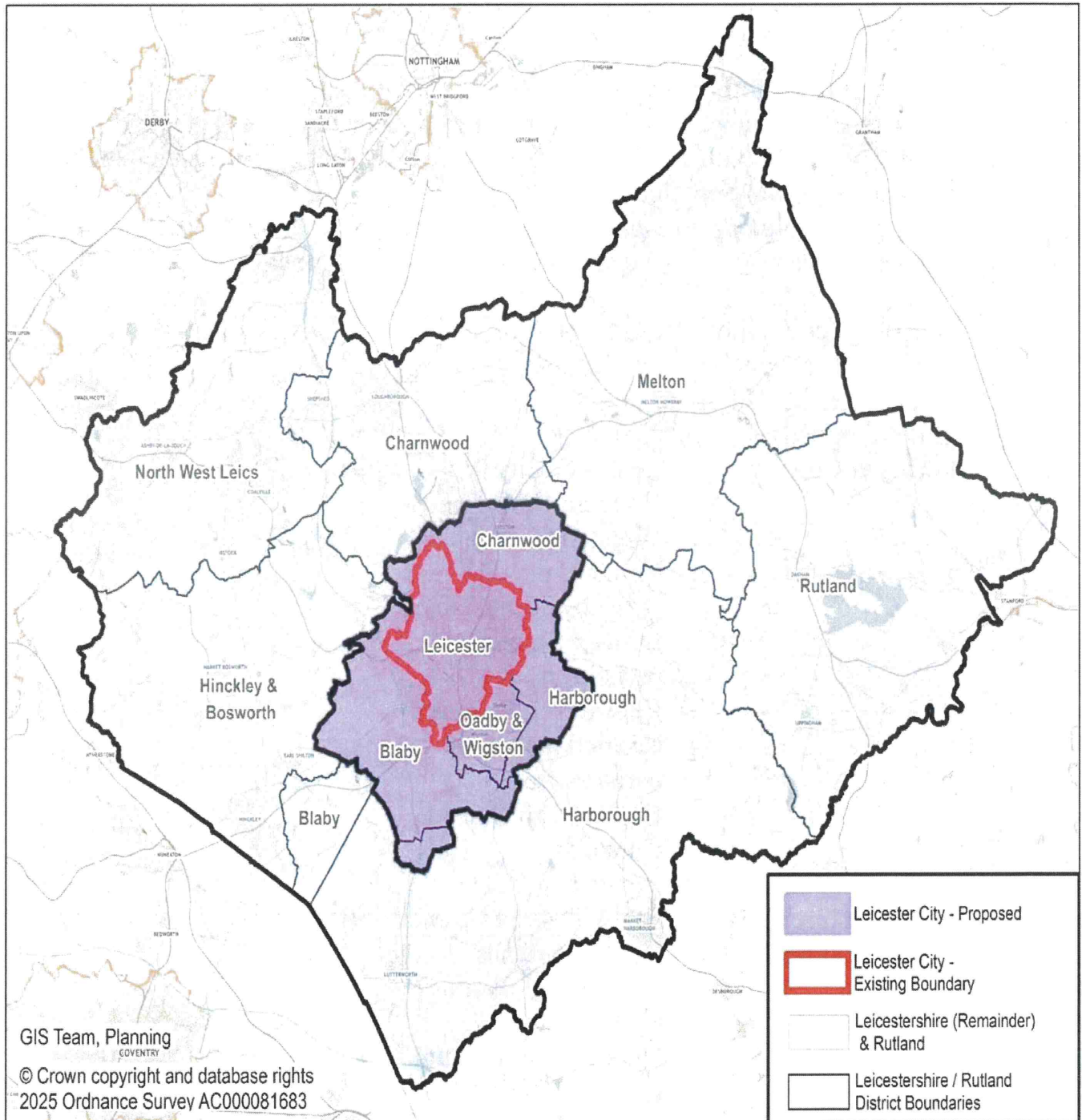
Matters that Ministers have decided

Ministers have now taken decisions on key areas within the Order and we are working closely with our lawyers to prepare a draft, which we anticipate we will share with you in September.

Names and councillor numbers

The new unitary councils, and the number of councillors that will represent them, are to be:	Areas Covered	Number of councillors
Leicester Council	Leicester City Council, Oadby and Wigston Borough Council, plus 16 parishes from Blaby District Council, 11 parishes from Charnwood Borough Council and seven parishes from Harborough District Council	91
Leicestershire and Rutland Council	Blaby District Council less 16 parishes, Charnwood Borough Council less 11 parishes, Harborough District Council less seven parishes, Hinckley and Bosworth Borough Council, Melton	94

Borough Council,
North West
Leicestershire District
Council and Rutland
County Council



Residents will know that I work closely with Trading Standards.
Here are some of the latest Scams please Beware!!

Will Writing Scams

 Warning: Be Alert to Unregulated Will Writing Services

Leicestershire residents are being warned to be on their guard of companies offering cheap Will writing and other legal services.

These companies are often unregulated but may give the impression that they are run by qualified solicitors, giving a false sense of trust. They are known to advertise online on TV shopping channels or in shopping centres. Once a consumer has made an enquiry, a representative may arrange to visit them at home.

 What to Watch Out For

During home visits, consumers have reported:

- Being pressured into purchasing more expensive wills
- Being encouraged to buy potentially unnecessary add-ons such as:
 - Lasting Power of Attorney (LPA)
 - Property Trusts
- Experiencing high-pressure sales tactics, confusion, and excessive charges

In some cases, promised documents were never received, or arrived after the 14-day cancellation period. This made it difficult to cancel agreements or contact the company.

 Concerns About Property Trusts

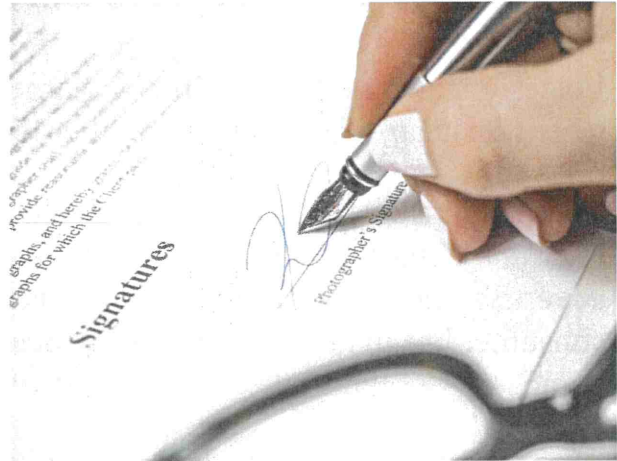
Caution is advised regarding Property Trusts in particular. Some consumers were told these would protect their home from being used by the local authority to pay for future care home fees.

However, reports indicate:

- Homeowners later experienced difficulties selling their properties.
- Some companies charged fees of up to 2% of the estate.

✓ How to Protect Yourself

- ✓ **Check credentials** – ensure you are dealing with a regulated solicitor or legal professional. You can find one here 🖱️ [Find a Solicitor - The Law Society](#)



- ✓ **Avoid cold callers** – never hand over money, property deeds, or personal details to someone unexpected.
- ✓ **Be wary of pressure** – urgent deadlines or aggressive sales tactics are red flags.
- ✓ **Take your time** – legitimate professionals will never rush you into signing paperwork.

🚩 Report It

If you believe you've been targeted or are the victim of a scam:

- 🌐 Visit: [UK's Home for Reporting Cyber Crime & Fraud - Report Fraud](https://www.reportfraud.police.uk/)
<https://www.reportfraud.police.uk/>

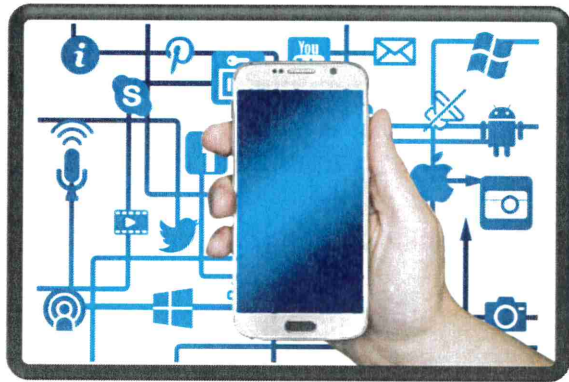
Or

- 📞 Call: 0300 123 2040

Fancy A Day Out?

🚩 The Surge in Fake 'Days Out' on social media – How to Spot Them and Stay Safe

Fraudsters are increasingly using professional-looking posts on platforms such as Facebook, Instagram, and TikTok to advertise non-existent events or heavily discounted tickets. Alongside the growth in legitimate promotions, there has been a worrying rise in fake or misleading adverts designed to scam consumers.



The posts often feature eye-catching images, convincing descriptions, and limited time offers to create a sense of urgency. In some cases, scammers impersonate well-known venues, brands, or even local attractions to gain trust and encourage quick purchases.

Key tactics include:

- **Eye-catching ads** featuring stunning destinations and low prices.
- **Fake business pages** with logos, reviews, and branding
- **Direct messaging** to collect payments quickly.
- **Limited time offers** to pressure people into booking without checking.

Once payment is sent, victims may receive no ticket or confirmation at all, fake tickets or itineraries, last-minute cancellations with no refund, or a trip that never existed.

⚠️ **Scam Warning Signs Checklist**

Look out for these common red flags:

- ✓ Prices that seem too good to be true
- ✓ Messages claiming "limited tickets remaining" or countdown timers creating pressure to buy quickly
- ✓ Poor spelling, grammar or low-quality adverts
- ✓ Newly created social media pages with very few followers
- ✓ A lack of genuine, independent customer reviews
- ✓ Comments that seem repetitive or overly positive
- ✓ Requests to pay by bank transfer or unfamiliar payment methods
- ✓ Links that take you away from official websites
- ✓ Lack of contact details or booking information

How to Stay Safe

Before making a purchase:

- ✓ Visit the attraction's official website or social media pages to confirm the event is genuine.
- ✓ Search for independent reviews rather than relying on comments attached to the advert.
- ✓ Purchase tickets directly from reputable retailers or authorised sellers whenever possible.
- ✓ Use secure payment methods, such as a credit card, which may provide additional protection.
- ✓ Take a moment to research before clicking on links to make a purchase

Report Suspicious Adverts

If you come across a suspicious advert or believe you have been targeted by a scam:

- ◆ Report the advert to the social media platform.
- ◆ Contact your bank or card provider if you have made a payment.
- ◆ Report the incident to Report Fraud (details below at the end)

- ♦ Share information with friends and family to help prevent others from becoming victims.

Summer Doorstep Crime Warning

As the weather warms up, rogue traders and doorstep criminals often become more active. Be cautious of anyone offering unsolicited home repairs, gardening work, or cleaning services. Never agree to work on the spot, pay cash up front, or feel pressured into making a quick decision.

Remember:

Always use reputable traders.
Check identification before opening the door.
Do not let unexpected callers into your home.

If in doubt, keep the door closed and seek advice from a trusted friend or family member.

If you are concerned about a suspicious caller, report it to Trading Standards via Citizens Advice on **0808 223 1133** or **contact the police if you feel threatened.**

Useful tools and resources:

- Check if something might be a scam here

www.citizensadvice.org.uk/consumer/scams/check-if-something-might-be-a-scam

- Check if a telephone number might be a scam here www.who-called.co.uk

If you would like to report a scam, or you have been a victim of fraud, you can get in touch with the following organisations:

- Report Fraud – www.reportfraud.police.uk or call on 0300 123 2040 to report fraud and cyber-crime.
- Citizens Advice Consumer Helpline - 0808 223 1133 for further advice and next steps.
- If you think fraudsters may have obtained your money, contact your bank immediately using the contact details on the back of your card or bank statement.

I hope residents have had a relaxing break if you have been away. If not and you about to go away, then I wish you a relaxing holiday. Please make sure you fully secure your property before going away.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank residents and councillors for your continued support. I am available at Parish Council meetings, or I can visit you if you need help or advice. Remember I am only an Email or a phone call away.

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Into the unknown, or maybe not

Well now we know the labour Government has revealed It's absolutely outrageous self- centred plans for their Long awaited two tier authorities for the country. A plan that locally will only benefit the Leicester City Mayor by allowing him to land grab sections of some neighbouring Boroughs forcing villages like Kirby Muxloe, Glenfield, Anstey the whole of Oadby and Wigston parts of Blaby, Charnwood and Market Harborough to come under an enlarged city Authority. All this is totally undemocratic and not even in their manifesto and furthermore the residents of these areas had no say in whether they were in agreement or not it is simply being imposed on them.

As Council Leader Stuart Bray said in an EGM held last week to discuss the proposals it means that as Hinckley-Bosworth North West Leicestershire, Charnwood, Melton Mowbray, Rutland, Market Harborough and a small portion of Blaby will make up the Combined other Authority surrounding the now enlarged City it is almost certain that the residents of the Hinckley-Bosworth Borough will almost certainly see a large increase in their Council Tax under this new extremely large Authority.

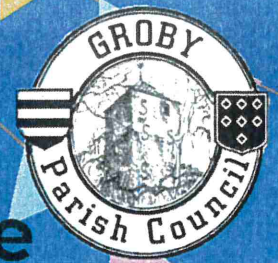
Under the Liberal Democrat administration the last few years has seen the Borough with the lowest council Tax in the County and one of the lowest in the Country whilst still receiving excellent service from Officers and Staff of the administration as borne out by the excellent Peer Review only last year.

I have only heard one Groby resident say publicly on local radio that he thought it was a good idea as he frequently went into the city and never went to Hinckley, I can only say he doesn't know what he's missing, only this weekend as I write this it is the Annual Feast Hinckley which has already attracted very large crowds coming into the town to enjoy the many different foods available.

In the meantime we have already instigated a petition for this unwanted, unasked for and definitely not needed proposal to be scrapped we are also looking into requesting a Judicial Review and have already been told that ALL Tory Council Leaders will support us as there is a very strong case for a Legal challenge.

Councillor Ted Hollick

2/8/26¹



Come and join us for the

PICNIC IN THE PARK

SUNDAY 16TH AUGUST **STAMFORD PARK, GROBY**

12PM - 4PM

INFLATABLES

FOOD & DRINK VENDORS

GAMES

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

VARIETY OF STALLS

AND MORE!

Bring your picnic blankets!

**FREE
ENTRY**



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**MINUTES OF THE GROBY PARISH COUNCIL
NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD AT THE COUNCIL OFFICES, LEICESTER ROAD, GROBY, LEICESTER
ON 14th MAY 2026 at 7.00 pm**

Parish Councillors Present:

Cllr C Lincoln Cllr A Mullins

Other Committee Members Present:

Mark Griffin Nigel Studd

Others Present:

Colin Wilkinson – Plan-it X

Officers Present:

Parish Clerk

NP/001/26-27 ELECTION OF CHAIR

Cllr Lincoln proposed, Cllr Mullins seconded, and it was **RESOLVED** to elect Mark Griffin as Chair of the Neighbourhood Plan Advisory Committee.

NP/002/26-27 ELECTION OF VICE CHAIR

Mark Griffin proposed, Cllr Mullins seconded, and it was **RESOLVED** to elect Cllr Carol Lincoln as Vice Chair of the Neighbourhood Plan Advisory Committee.

NP/003/26-27 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from John Caswell, Peter Griggs, Katy Groom and Cllr Hollick.

NP/004/26-27 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were none.

NP/005/26-27 MINUTES

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Neighbourhood Plan Advisory Committee Meeting held on 12th February 2026 be approved and signed as a true record.

NP/006/26-27 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE 2026-27 MEMBERSHIP

It was confirmed that Parish Councillors Carol Lincoln, Ted Hollick and Anita Mullins had been appointed to the Committee at the Parish Council's Annual Meeting held on 11th May 2026.

RESOLVED to co-opt the following other Committee members to the NP Advisory Committee:
Mark Griffin, John Caswell, Peter Griggs, Katy Groom and Nigel Studd.

NP/007/26-27 PRE-SUBMISSION CONSULTATION RESPONSE TO GROBY PARISH NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

i. To receive and review the representations received during the consultation period

Colin Wilkinson briefed the meeting on the responses that had been received during the consultation period (29 in total). The representations had been incorporated into a table which had been shared with members and Colin explained that he was now working through the table to make comment on each individual response and to recommend whether or not any action relative to the draft plan was required. Once Colin had completed the table it would be circulated to members and another Committee meeting called.

- ii. To discuss key issues raised during the consultation including: Updated Basic Conditions; Late submissions; Housing allocation of 130 dwellings (Land South of Jacqueline Road) and 180 dwellings (Land South of Sacheverell Way); Groby GP Surgery; Locally Important Views; The Klondyke; SEA Screening Statement; Green Wedge Review 2025; Photos

Key issues which had been raised during the consultation were discussed and the following actions AGREED:

- Peter Griggs to verify the cycleway responses and report back;
- Carol Lincoln to contact Groby GP Surgery to request direction regarding a new surgery site and report back;
- The Klondyke policy is too vague and simply states a holding position. The policy needs more direction with a deliverable plan of action or alternatively make recommendation to Full Council that the policy is removed from the Plan. Carol Lincoln/Mark Griffin to give this further thought and report back;
- Further thought in respect of the Green Wedge / Allocation of housing is needed as there is an argument to say that if we do not allocate our share of housing in the neighbourhood plan, then we cannot use the Green Wedge to protect Groby and prevent development;
- More illustrative photographs are required for the plan.

NP/008/26-27 NEXT MEETING

The date and time of the next meeting to be advised.

The meeting closed at 8.30 p.m.

Signed:
Chair

Date:



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**MINUTES OF THE GROBY PARISH COUNCIL
FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD AT THE COUNCIL OFFICES, LEICESTER ROAD, GROBY, LEICESTER
ON 27th JULY 2026 at 3 pm**

Present: Cllr C Lincoln (Chair), Cllr T Hollick, Cllr C Mullins

Also present: Parish Clerk

FGP/010/26-27 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Cllr Clarke, Cllr Emmerson and Cllr York.
RESOLVED to accept these apologies.

FGP/011/26-27 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were none.

FGP/012/26-27 MINUTES

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Finance & General Purposes Committee Meeting held on 5th May 2026 be approved and signed as a true record.

FGP/013/26-27 CLERK'S REPORT

The Clerk advised that using her delegated authority for expenditure a counter top fridge for the Council office had been ordered at a cost of £90. This was **NOTED**.

FGP/014/26-27 HEALTH AND SAFETY SUPPORT SERVICE

Members were advised that the current contract for Health & Safety Support was due to expire on 5th September 2026 and this was **NOTED**. Quotations for a new Health and Safety contract were received and discussed.

AGREED to RECOMMEND to Full Council to approve the quotation from Worknest to provide a combined HR/Employment and Health & Safety Support Service on a 5-year contract at an additional annual cost of £1,150.

FGP/015/26-27 FINANCIAL REPORTS

i. To review the Income & Expenditure Report and EMR Report to 24th July 2026

The Income & Expenditure Report and EMR Report to 24th July 2026 were included in members' packs. Members were advised that there had been a miscoding of £40 on line 4486 (QEII Rose Garden charges) which needed to be moved to line 4100 (Admin Costs) which was **NOTED**.

The reports were verified and **NOTED**.

ii. To consider any budget virements and EMR movements

Further to verifying the Income & Expenditure and EMR reports, budget and EMR virements were considered.

AGREED to RECOMMEND to Full Council for the following virements to be made:

- (a) £10,000 from Election Budget (4200) to EMR Election Costs (348);
- (b) £5,000 from Contingencies (4395) to a new EMR for Replacement Equipment Reserves to build up reserves for a replacement John Deere / IT equipment / Council van

iii. **To review and verify the Bank Reconciliation for June 2026**

The bank reconciliation and bank statement to 30th June 2026 was included in members' packs.

The bank reconciliation for June 2026 was **VERIFIED** and signed.

FGP/008/26-27 PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS AND INCOME

The Payment Schedule was included in members' packs.

It was **AGREED to RECOMMEND to FULL COUNCIL** that the payment of accounts presented to the meeting be approved. Income was **NOTED**.

FGP/009/26-27 NEXT MEETING

The date and time of the next meeting to be held on Monday 27th July 2026 at 3pm.

The meeting closed at 3.32p.m.

Signed:
Chair

Date:.....

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**MINUTES OF THE GROBY PARISH COUNCIL
ESTATES COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD AT THE COUNCIL OFFICES, LEICESTER ROAD, GROBY, LEICESTER
ON 4th JUNE 2026 at 2 pm**

Present: Cllr L Emmerson, Cllr C Lincoln, Cllr K Griffiths, Cllr A Mullins and Cllr C York

Also present: Administrative Assistant
Members of the Public - 0

EC/001/26-27 ELECTION OF CHAIR

No nominations were received. It was **RESOLVED** to defer this item to the next Committee meeting.

EC/002/26-27 ELECTION OF VICE CHAIR

Cllr Emmerson proposed, Cllr York seconded, and it was **RESOLVED** to elect Cllr Lincoln as Vice Chair of the Estates Committee.

EC/003/26-27 APOLOGIES

Cllr N Clarke and Cllr L Trivett were absent. Apologies were received from Cllr L Trivett. It was **RESOLVED** to accept these apologies.

EC/004/26-27 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were none.

EC/005/26-27 MINUTES

It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Estates Committee Meeting held on 2nd April 2026 be approved and signed as a true record.

EC/006/26-27 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was none.

EC/007/26-27 CORRESPONDENCE

It was shared with the Committee that the farmer cutting the grass on Butlers Field in exchange for the hay was unable to continue. It was **AGREED** that Cllr Mullins and the office would contact local farmers to offer the same agreement.

Reports of rats along the Mineral Line were shared along with communications with 3 local pest control services. It was **AGREED** to enquire about Hinckley & Bosworth Borough Council's Pest Service.

EC/008/26-27 LITTER PICKING DATES

The next dates for litter picking events were set as Saturday 4th July and Saturday 5th September 2026.

EC/009/26-27 QUARRY PARK

- i) The Committee were informed that the Quarry Park gate had been fixed and that the contractors hired to fix the MUGA fence were waiting on suppliers for the new MUGA panel.
- ii) A report of antisocial behaviour on Quarry Park on Friday 22nd May was shared with the Committee. It was **AGREED** to report this to the local Beat team.

EC/010/26-27 PARK FOOTPATHS

The Committee were informed that Allroads Asphalt Solutions Ltd would be reinstating the footpaths on Marina Park and parts of Stamford Park from Monday 22nd - Friday 26th June 2026.

EC/011/26-27 MOWING QUOTATION

It was **RESOLVED** to accept the quote from SHED Grounds Maintenance for the enclosed play areas on Marina Park and Quarry Park to be cut twice in July for £334.15.

EC/012/26-27 NEXT MEETING

The next Estates Committee meeting is scheduled to take place on Thursday 2nd July at 2pm.

The meeting closed at 14:57 pm

Signed:
Chair

Date:.....