

- COU/120/25-26** **To receive a Newsletter from Leicestershire Police**
It was noted that a Newsletter from Leicestershire Police has not been received since November.
- COU/121/25-26** **Public Participation**
(15 minutes are set aside for members of the public to raise issues and ask questions)
A member of the public spoke in relation to planning application 25/0141/FUL - Land west of The White House, Hinckley Road, Leicester Forest West.
- It was noted that each of the ten pitches would consist of a static and a touring caravan and members were advised that there had been communication with LCC Highways in relation to access.
- COU/122/25-26** **Clerks Report**
- i. **To verify all payments made since the previous meeting**
Payments made since the previous meeting were verified by members
 - ii. **To verify and authorise the Payments Schedule**
There were no payments which required authorisation.
 - iii. **To verify Bank Reconciliations**
A Bank Reconciliation was presented and verified by members.
 - iv. **To verify Income and Expenditure to date**
Income (97.9%) and Expenditure (74.3%) to date was verified by members.
- COU/123/25-26** **To provide an update and consider:**
(permission to be gained from Muxloe Recreation Ground Charity, where required)
- i. **Kirby Meadows**
Members were advised that a response is awaited.
 - ii. **The Byways**
A response from the District Council was noted.
- PROPOSED by Cllr F Quilliam and SECONDED by Cllr M Mulholland
- It was **RESOLVED** to advise the Letting Agent of Council's intention.

iii. **Lighting column 12 on Gullet Lane**

This item was deferred.

iv. **Traffic issues on Main Street and water quality testing**

The ongoing traffic issues on Main Street were discussed at length.

PROPOSED by Cllr C Frost and SECONDED by Cllr M Fox

It was **RESOLVED** to contact St Bartholomew's in the first instance, to verify whether consideration could be given to providing some payable parking spaces at the rear of their car park. A 20-mph speed limit is to be discussed with LCC, together with a one-way system, which resident's views are to be gained upon, at the appropriate time.

Members were advised that the Environment Agency has been contacted in relation to correspondence received regarding water quality. *A copy of the response is to be circulated to members.*

v. **Castle Farm**

Members considered the retrospective planning application and noted that it contravenes Historic England requirements.

PROPOSED by Cllr C Frost and SECONDED by Cllr F Quilliam

It was **RESOLVED** to contact Blaby District Council to establish the situation.

vi. **Path near Millenium Wood**

Members were advised that a contractor has been contacted and is to view the required works

PROPOSED by Cllr C Frost and SECONDED by Cllr N Bruen

It was **RESOLVED** that a quotation up to Court Close be gained.

COU/124/25-26

To receive the Leisure, Parks and Cemetery Committee's recommended budget and to discuss and consider the budget proposal for 2026/27

The Leisure, Parks and Cemetery Committee recommended their proposed budget for 2026/27, taking into account Allotment, Cemetery and Tennis Court expenditure and income.

PROPOSED by Cllr C Frost and SECONDED by Cllr M Fox

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It was **RESOLVED** that the Leisure, Parks and Cemetery Committee's recommended budget be APPROVED.

Further to approving the Leisure, Parks and Cemetery Committee's recommendation, Council considered the remainder of the 2026/27 budget proposal, taking into account Administration, The Byways, Christmas, Community and Environmental, Council Office, Donations, Grants In Kind to the Community Centre Charity, Grants In Kind to the Recreation Ground Charity, S.137, Staff Costs and Subscriptions expenditure and income.

An allowance for contingencies was also considered.

It was noted that Council have general reserves of £53, 592, £16,747 is ringfenced for the Recreation Ground Charity and due to the observations made by one resident, Council have been required to earmark £200,000 to ensure they are able to meet the audit fees which this resident has generated over a number of years.

It was noted that total expenditure/income of £277, 695 requires a precept of £243,490.

PROPOSED by Cllr C Frost and SECONDED by Cllr M Fox

It was **RESOLVED** that Council APPROVE the budget and request a precept of £243,490, which equates to £117.95 on a band D property (an increase of £5.61 and 4.99% increase on the previous year)

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To note any other business

(This item should only be used to register future agenda items or items that are solely for information only. No issues requiring a decision or with a financial implication can be raised)

The tennis coach is to be contacted to establish the condition of the tennis courts.

Councils Representative for KML&CH noted that Council's support regarding a Summer Event and a Christmas Tree Festival is to be considered.

COU/126/25-26

To confirm the date and time of next meeting

The next meeting will be held on Thursday 29th January 2026 at 7 p.m. at LFE Parish Hall, due to Kirby Muxloe Council Chamber being in use on this evening.

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PROPOSED FOR CLOSED SESSION

In accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 and the Local Government Act 1972 ss100 and 102, members of the public and press are likely to be excluded from the meeting at this point due to the confidential nature of the business.

PROPOSED by Cllr C Frost and SECONDED by Cllr D Everley

Due to Council needing to consider sensitive, confidential and/or legal matters to ensure individuals and organisations are protected, it was **RESOLVED** to move into closed session.

COU/127/25-26

To receive an update on requests concerning Audit of Accounts, Freedom of Information and Data Protection and to discuss and consider associated matters

Members considered the draft PIR from the External Auditor, (which it responded to with accompanying evidence) with the PIR received.

It was noted that the External Auditor had not responded to any of the points made, in particular Council's request to substantiate how the cost of investigating the objections, was deemed proportionate to the amount of money it relates.

COU/128/25-26

To receive an update on Staffing and to discuss and consider associated matters

An update was provided on staffing and Occupational Health.

PROPOSED by Cllr C Frost and SECONDED by Cllr F Quilliam

It was **RESOLVED** that temporary assistance be gained and consider Occupational Health further.

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 9.45 p.m.

Chairman's Signature

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Date

29/11/2026

Chairman's Initials

C.J.F.