


Parish Council meeting update 14/07/2025


 Borough & County Council Reports - Cllr Lovegrove provided an update on the Local Government Reorganisation and Devolution proposals. Final proposals are expected to be submitted in November 2025.

On local matters, he reported on planning case APP/Y2430/C/24/3343530, confirming that both he and Cllr Orson have requested an urgent meeting with Melton Borough Council's Development Control to ensure the matter is addressed promptly. Both councillors continue to support the Parish Council and local residents.

The recent culvert pressure wash in Long Clawson has been successfully completed. Investigations are underway to resolve concrete blockages beneath The Pingle and the doctor's surgery.

Clerk's Report

- Allotment inspections revealed several plots in poor condition. Formal notices will be sent requiring tenants to restore plots within 28 days. Non-compliance may result in tenancy termination and invoicing for clearance costs.
- Melton Borough Council has paid their invoice for grounds maintenance carried out between 10 March and 19 May 2025.
- The Parish Council is awaiting final resolution of a billing dispute with Waterplus regarding the Hose allotments. It has been confirmed the site is not connected to the sewer system and surface water drainage charges should not have been applied.

 The Planning Inspectorate upheld an appeal against an enforcement notice issued by Melton Borough Council regarding land north of East End, Long Clawson. The notice was quashed on procedural grounds—not on planning merit. No planning permission has been granted for the mobile home or residential use.

The Parish Council shares residents' concerns and will:

- Contact MBC to ask whether a new enforcement notice will be issued.
- Seek legal advice on the potential to block vehicular access via VG63.

Community Speed Watch – Hose

The Parish Council has received interim data from the recent Community Speed Watch:

- 158 vehicles recorded
- Average speed: 38.9 mph
- 23% exceeded 40 mph | 3% exceeded 45 mph
- Highest recorded speed: 53 mph
- Morning peak (8–9 a.m.) showed highest traffic volume and speed
- Evening rush (4–6 p.m.) also showed elevated speeds

The Clerk will request updated speed surveys from Leicestershire County Council and contact the Police and Crime Commissioner to request a speed enforcement van

🌿 Hedge Review - The Parish Council thanks Keith Neill-Smith (Parish Tree Warden) and Adam Goodall (Principal Tree and Woodlands Manager, LCC) for their efforts.

The Council supports the planting and maintenance of whips, provided a working party can be arranged.

🧹 The Harby Litter Pick will take place on Saturday, 15 November 2025. Volunteers welcome!

🚗 A resident raised safety concerns regarding vehicles parked near the junction of Main Street and Colston Lane, Harby. Reduced visibility is a risk. While there are no parking restrictions, the matter has been reported to Leicestershire County Council. The Police may issue fixed penalty notices in cases of unnecessary obstruction.

📅 Next Parish Council Meeting - ⓘ Monday, 8 September 2025 ⌚ 7:00 p.m. 📍 Valley Christian Centre, Harby