

MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

TUESDAY, 12 MAY 2026

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ITEM 9 - QUESTIONS FROM COUNCILLORS

QUESTION FROM COUNCILLOR R SUTTON TO THE RELEVANT PORTFOLIO HOLDER

'The government ran a formal public consultation from February 12th to March 26th 2026 on proposed Spatial Development Strategy (SDS) areas covering the whole of England. The period was just short of and, coincidentally, in parallel with the quite separate public consultation on the three LGR proposals for Leicestershire.

How were elected members and residents of North West Leicestershire informed of their right to contribute to the separate and unconnected SDS area consultation on whether Leicestershire-wide continues to be the most appropriate and effective geography for spatial planning to 2050 and beyond, or whether a wider East Midlands area might better facilitate growth and development. [Note: the Council website and local media carried full details of the LGR consultation]'

REPOSENSE FROM THE RELEVANT PORTFOLIO HOLDER TO COUNCILLOR R SUTTON

With regards to the Government Consultation on "Areas for producing spatial development strategies" the government website "Consultation on SDS geographies" reads:

"Please note that this is not a formal consultation and is instead intended to inform discussions with the sector, to determine whether and how to take these proposals forward."

As with all Government consultations, however, it is a matter for the Government to ensure that its consultations are publicised. The Council's constitution delegates responses to government consultations, formal or otherwise, to officers in liaison with the relevant cabinet member. In this case that was the Leader of the Council.

As members will be aware, there has been a long-standing agreement that Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland (LLR) is a sensible geography for a strategic authority as expressed in the LGR North, South, City submission which was considered by the Council's Corporate Scrutiny Committee and Cabinet. On that understanding when Leicestershire County Council, Leicester City Council and Rutland County Council were invited by government to express an interest in developing a Spatial Development Strategy and a Foundation Strategic Authority (FSA) the Leicestershire district council leaders at their meeting on 18 March agreed to support Leicestershire County Council and Rutland County Council expressing an interest in establishing an FSA on the LLR footprint.

Once confirmed, strategic planning authorities will not be able to commence work formally on an SDS until the legislation is commenced, which is currently expected to be summer 2026.

Whichever final boundaries are used to prepare SDSs, there will always be some issues, development needs, infrastructure or specific projects which cross them. It will be essential that strategic planning authorities engage and cooperate effectively across those boundaries. This is required by the National Planning Policy Framework and can be expected to be tested at the examination of an SDS.

Once further information on strategic planning authorities is available, members will be updated further.

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ADDENDUM TO AGENGA ITEM 13 – APPOINTMENTS TO COMMITTEES AND GROUPS, ELECTION OF CHAIRS AND DEPUTY CHAIRS

Since the publication of the agenda, it has become apparent that a term of office had not been included for the Independent Chair of Audit and Governance Committee.

In line with other Independent Members that are co-opted to committees, it is proposed that the term of office for the Independent Chair be four years, and that recommendation three of the report be amended to reflect this.

RECOMMENDATION:

- 3. APPOINTS MR PHIL HELM AS THE INDEPENDENT CHAIR OF THE AUDIT AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE FOR A FOUR YEAR TERM.**

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ITEM 13 – APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES AND GROUPS, ELECTION OF CHAIRS AND DEPUTY CHAIRS

NOMINATIONS

AUDIT AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE (9 members plus 1 independent Chair and 2 independent members)

Current Membership	Nominees for 2026/27
Chair: Councillor J Simmons Deputy Chair: None Councillor R Boam Councillor D Cooper Councillor D Everitt Councillor P Moulton Councillor G Rogers Councillor N Smith Councillor R Sutton Councillor A Wilson Vacant seat	Chair: Independent Chair Deputy Chair: Councillor J Simmons Councillor R Boam Councillor D Cooper Councillor M French Councillor P Moulton Councillor G Rogers Councillor N Smith Councillor R Sutton Councillor A Wilson

COALVILLE SPECIAL EXPENSES WORKING PARTY

Current membership	Nominees for 2026/27
Ward members for Bardon, Broom Leys, Castle Rock, Coalville East, Coalville West, Greenhill, Snibston North, Snibston South and Thringstone: Councillor J Legrys Councillor J Geary Councillor D Everitt Councillor C Beck Councillor L Windram Councillor M Wyatt Councillor M Burke Councillor J Windram Councillor M French	Ward members for Bardon, Broom Leys, Castle Rock, Coalville East, Coalville West, Greenhill, Snibston North, Snibston South and Thringstone: Councillor C Beck Councillor M Burke Councillor D Everitt Councillor M French Councillor J Geary Councillor J Legrys Councillor J Windram Councillor L Windram Councillor M Wyatt

COMMUNITY SCRUTINY COMMITTEE (10 members)

Current membership	Nominees for 2026/27
<p>Chair: Councillor T Eynon Deputy Chair: Councillor A Barker</p> <p>Councillor M Ball Councillor D Bigby Councillor M French Councillor K Horn Councillor S Lambeth Councillor P Lees Councillor E Parle Councillor L Windram</p>	<p>Chair: Councillor T Eynon Deputy Chair: Councillor A Barker</p> <p>Councillor M Ball Councillor D Bigby Councillor K Horn Councillor S Lambeth Councillor P Lees Councillor E Parle Councillor J Windram Councillor L Windram</p>
<p>Substitutes: Councillors C Beck, M Burke, J Geary, R Morris, C Sewell, S Sheahan, J Simmons and N Smith</p>	<p>Substitutes: Councillors C Beck, M Burke, J Geary, R Morris, C Sewell, S Sheahan, J Simmons and N Smith</p>

CORPORATE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE (10 members)

Current membership	Nominees for 2026/27
<p>Chair: Councillor S Lambeth Deputy Chair: Councillor M Ball</p> <p>Councillor C Beck Councillor D Bigby Councillor M Burke Councillor K Horn Councillor A Morley Councillor R Morris Councillor S Sheahan Councillor J Windram</p>	<p>Chair: Councillor C Beck Deputy Chair: Councillor M Ball</p> <p>Councillor D Bigby Councillor K Horn Councillor S Lambeth Councillor A Morley Councillor R Morris Councillor S Sheahan Councillor J Windram Councillor L Windram</p>
<p>Substitutes: Councillors M Blair-Park, M French, J Legrys, E Parle, C Sewell, J Simmons, N Smith and L Windram</p>	<p>Substitutes: Councillors M Burke, J Simmons, N Smith and L Windram</p>

ELECTORAL REVIEW WORKING PARTY (5 members)

Current membership	Nominees for 2026/27
Councillor D Bigby Councillor J Legrys Councillor K Merrie Councillor A Woodman Councillor M Wyatt	Councillor D Bigby Councillor J Legrys Councillor K Merrie Councillor A Woodman Councillor M Wyatt
Substitutes: Councillors R Boam, R Canny, S Lambeth, R Morris, P Moulton, C Sewell and S Sheahan	Substitutes: R Boam, R Canny, S Lambeth, R Morris, P Moulton, C Sewell, S Sheahan and L Windram

EMPLOYEE JOINT CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE (6 members)

Current membership	Nominees for 2026/27
Councillor M French Councillor R Johnson Councillor J Legrys Councillor A Morley Councillor J Simmons	Councillor M French Councillor R Johnson Councillor J Legrys Councillor A Morley Councillor J Simmons Councillor M Wyatt
Substitutes: Councillors R Blunt, D Cooper, J Geary, C Sewell, A Wilson, A Woodman and M Wyatt	Substitutes: R Blunt, D Cooper, J Geary, K Horn, C Sewell, L Windram, A Wilson and A Woodman

LICENSING COMMITTEE (15 members)

Current membership	Nominees for 2026/27
Chair: Councillor N Smith Deputy Chair: Councillor J Simmons Councillor M Ball Councillor A Barker Councillor C Beck Councillor M Burke Councillor D Everitt Councillor M French Councillor K Horn Councillor R Johnson Councillor P Lees Councillor P Moulton Councillor G Rogers Councillor A Wilson Councillor J Windram	Chair: Councillor N Smith Deputy Chair: Councillor J Simmons Councillor M Ball Councillor A Barker Councillor C Beck Councillor M Burke Councillor D Everitt Councillor M French Councillor R Johnson Councillor K Horn Councillor P Lees Councillor P Moulton Councillor G Rogers Councillor A Wilson Councillor J Windram

Substitutes: Councillors D Cooper, T Eynon, T Gillard, S Lambeth, K Merrie, A Morley, E Parle, N Rushton, C Sewell, A Woodman and M Wyatt	Substitutes: Councillors D Cooper, T Eynon, T Gillard, S Lambeth, K Merrie, A Morley, E Parle, N Rushton, C Sewell, A Woodman and M Wyatt.
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LOCAL PLAN COMMITTEE (11 members)

Current membership	Nominees for 2026/27
<p>Chair: Councillor J Simmons Deputy Chair: Councillor M Ball</p> <p>Councillor D Bigby Councillor S Lambeth Councillor J Legrys Councillor P Lees Councillor R Morris Councillor P Moulton Councillor C Sewell Councillor L Windram Councillor M Wyatt</p>	<p>Chair: Councillor J Simmons Deputy Chair: Councillor M Ball</p> <p>Councillor D Bigby Councillor S Lambeth Councillor P Lees Councillor J Legrys Councillor R Morris Councillor P Moulton Councillor C Sewell Councillor L Windram Councillor M Wyatt</p>
Substitutes: Councillors A Barker, C Beck, R Blunt, D Everitt, K Horn, T Gillard, K Merrie and G Rogers	Substitutes: Councillors A Barker, C Beck, R Blunt, D Everitt, M French, K Horn, T Gillard, K Merrie, G Rogers and A Woodman

PLANNING COMMITTEE (11 members)

Current membership	Nominees for 2026/27
<p>Chair: Councillor R Boam Deputy Chair: Councillor R Morris</p> <p>Councillor D Bigby Councillor M Burke Councillor R Canny Councillor D Everitt Councillor J Legrys Councillor P Moulton Councillor C Sewell Councillor J Simmons Councillor N Smith</p>	<p>Chair: Councillor R Boam Deputy Chair: Councillor R Morris</p> <p>Councillor D Bigby Councillor M Burke Councillor R Canny Councillor D Everitt Councillor J Legrys Councillor P Moulton Councillor C Sewell Councillor J Simmons Councillor N Smith</p>
Substitutes: Councillors A Barker, R Blunt, D Cooper, T Eynon, J Geary, K Horn, P Lees, A Woodman and M Wyatt	Substitutes: Councillors A Barker, R Blunt, D Cooper, T Eynon, J Geary, K Horn, P Lees, L Windram, A Woodman, M Wyatt.

STAFFING COMMITTEE (formally Appointments/Investigatory Committee) (9 members)

Current Membership	Nominees for 2026/27
New committee	Chair: Councillor R Blunt Councillor D Cooper Councillor J Legrys Councillor A Morley Councillor G Rogers Councillor N Smith Councillor R Sutton Councillor L Windram Councillor M Wyatt

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APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES

NOMINATIONS

Body	Current Appointments	Nominees for 2026/27
Alderman Newton Education Foundation (1 seat)	Councillor J Geary	Councillor J Geary
Ashby de la Zouch Endowed Schools Foundation (1 seat appointed for District term (every 4 years))	Councillor K Horn	Councillor K Horn (as appointed in May 2023)
Breedon Quarry Liaison Committee (1 seat)	Councillor R Morris	Councillor R Morris
Charnwood Forest Geopark Charitable Incorporated Organisation (1 seat)	Councillor M Wyatt	Councillor M Wyatt
East Midlands Airport Independent Consultative Committee (1 seat & 1 substitute)	Councillors R Sutton and N J Rushton (Substitute)	Councillors R Sutton and N J Rushton (Substitute)
East Midlands Council (1 seat)	Leader of the Council	Leader of the Council
East Midlands Councils – Employers Board (1 seat – nomination to submit an expression of interest)	Planning and Infrastructure Portfolio Holder	Planning and Infrastructure Portfolio Holder
East Midlands Councils – Migration Board (1 seat – nomination to submit an expression of interest)	Housing, Property and Customer Services Portfolio Holder	Housing, Property and Customer Services Portfolio Holder
Interlink South Country Park Board Meeting (1 seat)	Councillor K Merrie	Councillor K Merrie
Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland Police and Crime Panel (1 seat)	Councillor A Woodman	Councillor A Woodman
Local Government Association – General Assembly (1 seat)	Leader of the Council	Leader of the Council
Moira Furnace Trust (1 seat)	Councillor D Cooper	Councillor D Cooper
MSV Donington Park Consultative Forum (7 seats)	Councillors for Castle Donington Central Ward, Kegworth Ward, Castle Donington Park Ward, Long Whatton and Diseworth Ward, Castle Donington Castle Ward, Daleacre Hill Ward and Worthington and Breedon Ward	Councillors for Castle Donington Central Ward, Kegworth Ward, Castle Donington Park Ward, Long Whatton and Diseworth Ward, Castle Donington Castle Ward, Daleacre Hill Ward and Worthington and Breedon Ward
North West Leicestershire Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Taxi Licensing Forum (3 seats)	Councillor A Barker, Chair of Licensing Committee and Deputy Chair of Licensing Committee	Councillor A Barker, Chair of Licensing Committee and Deputy Chair of Licensing Committee

Body	Current Appointments	Nominees for 2026/27
PATROL (Parking and Traffic Regulations Outside London) Adjudication Joint Committee	Community Services and Climate Change Portfolio Holder	Community Services and Climate Change Portfolio Holder
Ravenstone Hospital Charity (2 seats)	Councillor J Simmons and N Smith	Councillor J Simmons and N Smith
Redbank Manufacturing Liaison Committee (1 seat)	Councillors S Sheahan	Councillors S Sheahan
Safer North West Leicestershire Partnership (1 seat)	Community Services and Climate Change Portfolio Holder	Community Services and Climate Change Portfolio Holder
Whitwick Quarry Liaison Committee (3 seats)	Councillors P Moulton, L Windram and M Wyatt	Councillors P Moulton, L Windram and M Wyatt

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ADDENDEUM TO AGENGA ITEM 16 – SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS 2026 – 2027

Since the publication of the agenda, it has become apparent that the scheduling required adjustment. Those adjustments have been made and revised schedule of meetings can be found below.

DRAFT SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS

May 2026 – June 2027

Audit & Governance Committee (6:30pm)

Weds, 10 Jun 2026 (Q4 updates)
Weds, 5 Aug 2026 (Q1 updates)
Weds, 11 Nov 2026 (Q2 Updates)
Weds, 13 Jan 2027 (Statement of Accounts)
Weds, 10 Feb 2027 (Q3 updates)
Weds, 28 Apr 2027 (Annual Audit Report)
Weds, 9 Jun 2027 (Q4 Updates)

Cabinet (5:00pm)

Tues, 19 May 2026
Thu, 11 June 2026 (Local Plan)
Tues, 23 Jun 2026 (Q4 budget monitoring)
Tues, 28 Jul 2026 (Q1 performance monitoring)
Tues, 25 Aug 2026 (Q1 budget monitoring)
Tues, 22 Sep 2026
Tues, 27 Oct 2026 (Q2 performance monitoring)
Tues, 24 Nov 2026 (Q2 budget monitoring)
Tues, 15 Dec 2026
Tues, 19 Jan 2027
Tues, 2 Feb 2027 (Budget)
Tues, 23 Feb 2027 (Q3 budget/performance monitoring)
Tues, 23 Mar 2027
Tues, 27 Apr 2027 (Q4 performance monitoring)
Thu, 3 Jun 2027 (first Cabinet following election)

Coalville Special Expenses Working Party (6:30pm)

Tues, 2 Jun 2026
Tues, 18 Aug 2026
Tues, 6 Oct 2026
Tues, 1 Dec 2026
Tues, 16 Feb 2027
Tues, 22 Jun 2027

Community Scrutiny Committee (6:30pm)

Thu, 25 Jun 2026
Thu, 10 Sep 2026
Thu, 3 Dec 2026
Thu, 25 Feb 2027
Thu, 22 Apr 2027
Thu, 24 Jun 2027

Corporate Scrutiny Committee (6:30pm)

Thu, 18 Jun 2026 (Q4 performance monitoring)
Thu, 20 Aug 2026 (Q1 performance monitoring)
Thu, 15 Oct 2026 (Q1 budget monitoring)
Thu, 10 Dec 2026 (Q2 budget/performance monitoring)
Thu, 21 Jan 2027 (Draft budget)
Thu, 18 Mar 2027 (Q3 budget/performance monitoring)
Thu, 17 Jun 2027 (Q4 performance monitoring)

Council (6:30pm)

Tues, 12 May 2026 (Annual Council)
Mon, 8 Jun 2026
Thu, 11 Jun 2026 (Local Plan)
Tues, 15 Sep 2026
Tues, 17 Nov 2026
Thu, 18 Feb 2027 (Budget)
Tues, 25 May 2027 (Annual Council)
Tues, 15 Jun 2027

Licensing Committee (6:30pm)

Weds, 24 Jun 2026
Weds, 16 Sep 2026
Weds, 4 Nov 2026
Weds, 24 Feb 2027
Weds, 23 Jun 2027

Local Plan Committee (6:00pm)

Weds, 20 May 2026
Thu, 4 Jun 2026
Weds, 22 Jul 2026
Weds, 23 Sep 2026
Weds, 25 Nov 2026
Weds, 27 Jan 2027
Weds, 17 Mar 2027
Weds, 16 Jun 2027

Planning Committee (6:00pm)

Tues, 9 Jun 2026
Tues, 14 Jul 2026
Tues, 11 Aug 2026
Tues, 8 Sep 2026
Tues, 13 Oct 2026
Tues, 10 Nov 2026
Tues, 8 Dec 2026
Weds, 20 Jan 2027
Tues, 9 Feb 2027
Tues, 9 Mar 2027
Tues, 13 Apr 2027
Tues, 8 Jun 2027