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See our handy guide to what your local councils are responsible for below.   Contact your local MP to: | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | * Tell them about a problem affecting the people in your area * Ask them to support a particular campaign you feel strongly about |  |  | | --- | | * Query a question by a government office or agency | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Your local county council takes care of: | |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Leicestershire County Council logo |  |  | | --- | | * School placements * Cutting of highway verges * Social services * Street lighting * Tips * Highway issues * Trading standards * Adult social care | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | District councils are responsible for: | |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Blaby DC logo |  |  | | --- | | * Environmental health * Bins and litter * Council Tax * Benefits * Planning * Housing * District parks and open spaces | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Contact your local parish councils for: | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | * Parish owned parks and open spaces * Cemeteries * Parish halls |  |  | | --- | | * Parish owned sports and recreation grounds * Bus shelters | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | We're on hand to help you with your queries, but also guide you in the correct way if it's not our direct responsibility. | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **⛏️ Community dig video coming soon** | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | A still from the Bouskell Park video | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | If you've been following our social media channels, or this newsletter, you will have seen us tell you all about the Buried Bouskell project in Blaby, with the Ice House restoration and the Community Dig.  We're excited to reveal that a 20-minute feature on the project is coming soon! We hear from the volunteers, learn about the history of the park and see some of the discoveries in the video.  Keep a lookout for more information on our website and social media, and we'll update you about it in our next newsletter! | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **⚡ EV Chargers launch in Blaby Town Centre** | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | [A picture containing text, outdoor, person  Description automatically generated](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-dAwBQCofYI) | |  | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | They're here! The first charging points in our pay and display car parks are live and ready to use!  Johns Court and Enderby Road car parks in Blaby are the first charging points to go live, with eight bays in each car park exclusively reserved for electric vehicle owners to charge their car.  Six bays in Weavers Court and two bays in Leicester Road, Narborough will be available for use in the coming weeks.  If you live local to these areas and cannot access a charging point they are perfect for you! Simply plug in and leave overnight.  EB Charging will be offering the first two months of charging for free as part of the scheme. The EB Go app will not need to be used during the free period.  Take a look at our video above, or find out more using the link below. | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | [**EV Chargers**](https://www.blaby.gov.uk/parking-and-roads/parking/electric-charging-points/) | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **🚨 District Covid update** | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | A national push for vaccinations continues and it has recently been announced that more than 75% of the adult population have now had both jabs.  From Monday (16 August), double jabbed people, or anyone aged under 18 **will no longer be legally required to self-isolate** if they are identified as a close contact of a positive Covid-19 case.  You can find your local clinic or book your vaccination on [the Leicester City Clinical Commissioning group page.](https://www.leicestercityccg.nhs.uk/my-health/coronavirus-advice/coronavirus-vaccine/big-vaccination-weekend/)  Mobile lateral flow testing vans will be stopping at locations across the county in the coming weeks, including Fosse Meadows on 20 August. You'll be able to pick up testing kits to use at home as and when you need them.  Recent data shows that Covid-19 rates are still very high compared to the spring, and these numbers have also increased in the last week. | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | [**Latest district Covid data**](https://coronavirus.data.gov.uk/details/cases?areaType=ltla&areaName=Blaby) | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **🏡 New Lubbesthorpe, new homes, new play area** | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | An illustration of what the new play area at New Lubbesthorpe will look like |  |  | | --- | | An illustration of the new houses approved at New Lubbesthorpe | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | New Lubbesthorpe's progress is continuing quickly and two updates to the development have recently been announced.  A multi-use games area has been approved and will be built in the coming weeks. The area will be free to use and is going to be placed next to the Primary School, near the popular play area. This will be built and paid for by the land owners as part of their requirements for the development.  We've also recently approved a Davidsons Homes application for 131 houses, including 26 affordable properties. For those familiar with New Lubbesthorpe, they will be on the bend of Tay Road, opposite the Redrow homes being built.  After these homes are built the first phase of the development will be close to completion, with just the first local centre and one more set of homes to come. There will eventually be 4,250 homes at the site, which is south of Leicester Forest East. | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **ℹ️ Apply for funding to help your community group** | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | There's only a few weeks left to apply for the next round of our Community Grants funding! Your local community and voluntary group can benefit from funding. We've got a number of grant types.  Whether your group wants to fund a coach for a day out, repair a car park or buy computer equipment, there could be funding available for you.  Our current funding types include:   * Capital Green Grants - up to £4000 * Revenue Green Grants - up to £500 * Large Capital Grants - up to £4,000 * Small Capital Grants - up to £500 * Revenue Grants - up to £500 * Everyone Active Grants - up to £500   Apply online before Wednesday 01 September by using the link below. | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | [**Community Grants**](https://www.blaby.gov.uk/leisure-health-and-community/community/community-grants/?utm_source=13+august+general&utm_medium=newsletter&utm_campaign=community+grants) | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **🎥 Fosse Meadows from the air** | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | [A picture containing text, grass, sign, outdoor  Description automatically generated](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nxJygiW-k4I) | |  | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Fosse Meadows is one of our most popular parks in the district. With miles of walking routes, a coffee van, play areas and woodland, it is the perfect day out for dog walkers and families.  Take a look at Fosse Meadows from the air with our new drone footage and find out more about the parks and open spaces in the district using the link below. | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | [**Parks and open spaces**](https://www.blaby.gov.uk/leisure-health-and-community/parks-and-green-spaces/parks-and-open-spaces/) | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **😅 Leisure centres fighting fit** | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | It has been fantastic to see our leisure centres welcome back more and more users over the last few months.   Enderby and Huncote Leisure Centres, managed by Everyone Active, have been popular since they were reopened in the spring. Their teams have worked incredibly hard to ensure that each centre is as safe as possible to use.  Start or continue your fitness journey by finding out more on the [Enderby](https://www.everyoneactive.com/centre/enderby-leisure-and-golf-centre/) and [Huncote](https://www.everyoneactive.com/centre/huncote-leisure-centre/) Leisure Centre web pages. | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **🏍️ British Championships returning to Huncote** | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Huncote Hornets BMX team | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Huncote Hornets, the BMX team based at Huncote Leisure Centre, will be hosting their second British Cycling BMX British Championships at the end of August.  Taking place on the Bank Holiday Weekend, riders from across the country and their families will be arriving to compete on the track. Team GB's recent BMX success at the Olympics will make this an eagerly anticipated round.  The club have worked hard to ensure residents experience no issues such as parking, just like their successful hosting in 2018. Local shops, pubs and restaurants are also set to benefit from the campers. If you'd like to visit, entry on the day is FREE!  More information is available on the Huncote Hornets Facebook page below. | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | [**Huncote Hornets Facebook**](https://www.facebook.com/LeicesterBMX/?ref=page_internal) | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **📍 Upcoming events in our area** | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Here's the latest round up of events taking place in the district in the coming weeks:  **Glastonblaby - A Correction.**In the last issue we put the wrong location for the Glastonblaby festival. Please see below the correct location for the event, and we apologise for any confusion caused.   * Saturday 21 August, 11.30am-6pm: [Glastonblaby Charity Music Festival](https://www.facebook.com/events/3756473867723402/?acontext=%7B%22event_action_history%22%3A%5b%7B%22mechanism%22%3A%22search_results%22%2C%22surface%22%3A%22search%22%7D%5d%2C%22ref_notif_type%22%3Anull%7D" \t "_blank), Westleigh Park, Lutterworth Road * Saturday 28 August, 11am-3pm: Bouskell Park Family Day, Welford Road   Come along to Bouskell Park's family day to see a showcase of findings from our archaeological dig, witness a demonstration of medieval life and have a glimpse inside the ice house!   * 28-30 August [All Saints Sapcote PTA Scarecrow Festival,](https://www.facebook.com/All-Saints-Sapcote-PTA-Scarecrow-Festival-28-30-Aug-2021-104372135275835/?ref=page_internal) located across the village of Sapcote   The first Sapcote Scarecrow Festival runs over August's bank holiday. Attendees will be treated to a Makers Trail of local businesses selling their goods and 40 displays based on children's books.   * Saturday 4 September, 11am-3pm: [A Place To Grow Community Open Day](https://www.blaby.gov.uk/leisure-health-and-community/parks-and-green-spaces/a-place-to-grow/), Mill Lane, Enderby   Our very own A Place To Grow Community Garden will be opening its doors for you to visit. Expect live music, food and refreshments, and plants and produce sales!   * Saturday 7 and 14 September, 11-1pm: Beginner Social Tennis, [Enderby Lawn Tennis Club](https://www.facebook.com/enderbylawntennisclub)   This is the perfect activity to get out and active after months of isolation. All welcome, no matter the skill set. | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | A picture containing text, clipart  Description automatically generated | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | | |

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