Leicestershire County Council

Minutes of a meeting of the Development Control and Regulatory Board held at County Hall, Glenfield on Thursday, 18 June 2026.

PRESENT

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| Mr. R. Bailey CC | Mr. J. Miah CC |
| Mr. M. H. Charlesworth CC | Mr. P. Morris CC |
| Mr. M. R. England CC | Mr. B. Piper CC |
| Mr. D. J. Grimley CC | Mr. P. Rudkin CC |
| Mrs. K. Knight CC | Mr. B. Walker CC |
| Mr. B. Lovegrove CC | |

1. Election of Chairman.

It was proposed, and seconded "That Mr. D. Grimley CC be appointed Chairman".

It was proposed, and seconded “That Mr. P. Morris CC be appointed Chairman”.

In accordance with Standing Order 25 a secret ballot took place. The Chief Executive announced the results of the ballot, as follows: 4 votes for Mr. Grimley CC and 6 votes for Mr. Morris CC.

RESOLVED:

That Mr. P. Morris CC be appointed Chairman of the Development Control and Regulatory Board until the date of the Annual Meeting of the County Council in 2027.

Mr. P. Morris CC – in the Chair

2. Election of Deputy Chairman.

It was proposed, and seconded "That Mr. D. Grimley CC be appointed Vice-Chairman".

It was proposed, and seconded “That Mrs. K. Knight CC be appointed Vice-Chairman”.

In accordance with Standing Order 25 a secret ballot took place. The Chief Executive announced the results of the ballot, as follows: 7 votes for Mr. Grimley CC and 3 votes for Mrs. Knight CC.

RESOLVED:

That Mr. D. Grimley CC be appointed Vice-Chairman of the Development Control and Regulatory Board until the date of the Annual Meeting of the County Council in 2027.

3. Minutes of the previous meeting.

The minutes of the meeting held on 19 March 2026 were taken as read, confirmed and signed.

4. Question Time.
It was reported that the Chief Executive had received no questions under Standing Order 32(4).

5. Questions asked by Members.
It was reported that the Chief Executive had not received any questions under Standing Order 32(1).

6. Urgent items.

There were no urgent items for consideration.

7. Declarations of interest.

The Chairman invited members who wished to do so to declare any interest in respect of items on the agenda for the meeting.

No declarations were made.

8. Presentation of petitions.

It was reported that the Chief Executive had not received any petitions under Standing Order 33.

9. Application for a Public Path Diversion Order - Proposed diversion of public footpath P12 (Part) at Butt Lane, Blackfordby.

The Board considered a report of the Director of Growth, Environment and Transport, a copy of which, marked 'Agenda Item 9', is filed with these minutes. The Board was also in receipt of a supplementary agenda pack which contained correspondence relating to the application and other relevant documents.

In accordance with the procedures for making representations to the Board, local resident Mr. Malcolm Ball spoke as an objector, and Mr. D. Harrison CC spoke as the local member.

In response to a question from a member, it was confirmed that the applicant had agreed to indemnify the County Council in relation to any claim for compensation arising from the application, and the applicant was required to put in place any arrangements required for paying the compensation.

A member raised concerns about the lack of clarity regarding the legal line of Public Footpath P12 and the fact that the original route had been obstructed. In response it was clarified that in these cases the County Council would usually take action to ensure the obstruction was removed and serve enforcement notices where necessary. Reassurance was given that the County Council regularly carried out work to ensure the route of the footpaths on the ground accurately reflected what was on the definitive map.

RESOLVED:

That an Order be made under Section 119 of the Highways Act 1980 to divert part of Public Footpath P12 at Butt Lane, Blackfordby in the Parish of Ashby De La Zouch, as shown on Plan No. 2575(P).

10. Chairman's announcements.

The Chairman advised that the next meeting of the Board would take place on Thursday 23 July 2026 at 2.00pm.

2.00 - 2.55 pm CHAIRMAN
18 June 2026