

County Councillor Annual Report 2021/22

This report summarises the activities of the following member of the County Council during 2021/22

Name of Councillor Bryan Lovegove

Division Represented **Belvoir**

Electoral Division activities

Main Activities and the impact during the past year:

The Belvoir division covers a wide rural area with 12 Parish Councils. This in itself is a large task to service, with the demands of the Parish Councils varying dependant on size. Main activities revolve around traffic issues and explaining the challenges involved with introducing traffic management solutions. Over the year I have also spent time looking into damage caused on green lanes, high speed internet connectivity and flooding issues. I try where possible to meet individuals and groups who have a concern as I feel that personal connection is important.

Bottesford makes up one third of the residents in the division and this also has particular issues due to its unique location. Traffic management, the tip closure and long term funding of the community library have been high on my agenda during the year.

Community Leadership Role

There are always issues to address both large and small, but even a small issue is large to the individual who raises it. I treat all issues the same and even if it is not always within my remit as a County Councillor, I do try and find out relevant information that can help the individual or Parish Council.

Engagement with the Council, other statutory bodies and public utility companies (Water, Gas etc) about services in the area

I have regular contact with the officers in County Hall to follow up on particular issues that I raise on behalf of individuals and Parish Councils.

When needed I am also in contact with officers in Melton Borough Council to follow up on local issues. There is a six monthly meeting with the Melton Borough Council leader and Chief Executive to cover key aspects that are on our respective agendas.

Priorities for the immediate future are:

I will continue my focus on the key issues across the division that include traffic management, ultra-fast broadband connectivity and flooding issues.

Also actively responding to individuals concerns and issues in a timely professional manner.

Council Activities

County Council Committees You Served On

Highways and Transport Overview and Scrutiny Committee
Development Control and Regulatory Board
Highways and Transport Communication Panel

Local Committee/Outside Bodies

Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland Combined Fire Authority

Other Bodies

Long Clawson Village Hall – Board member
Leicestershire and Rutland Young Farmers Clubs – County management
Board member and current East Midlands Area President and National Vice
Chairman

Learning and Development

Always try to attend the all member briefing sessions as these are valuable in keeping up to date and informed on a wide range of important subject areas.

Other Matters

The range of expertise at Parish Councils is a challenge, as is the importance of them setting relevant agendas. For some Parish Councils there is an increasing burden of official documentation that needs to be completed and I believe this puts many individuals off.

Communications

My main communication is through the Parish Councils and also by meeting individuals and groups face to face to help deal with their issues and challenges.

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Signed by Councillor:-

Date:- 30th June 2022