EXTRAORDINARY COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING – 13TH SEPTEMBER 2022

POSITION STATEMENT FROM THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL

I know I speak on behalf of all Members and staff of the County Council when I say that we are all deeply moved by the death of Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II.

As a mark of respect, during the period of mourning, the Union and County Flag will be flown at half-mast. County Hall will also be lit up in purple during this period. All public meetings have also been cancelled.

As the Chairman has said, we have opened a book of condolence at County Hall, but we also have a virtual book of condolence which can be found on the Lieutenancy website – www.leicestershire.gov/lieutenancy.

On Saturday and Sunday I joined the Lord Lieutenant, the Chairman of the County Council, the Lord and City Mayor of Leicester, the Bishop of Leicester, the Police and Crime Commissioner and Chief Constable, to lay a wreath at Green Dragon Square in Leicester and to attend the Proclamation reading at Leicester Town Hall.

I know the Lord Lieutenant has been very grateful for the support he has received from the Lieutenancy staff at County Hall, led by Graeme Wardle and Jo Morrison over the last few days, which have been extraordinarily busy, and which will continue for a few days yet. I'd like to add my thanks.

Mr N. J. Rushton CC Leader of the Council

