

Borough Report July 2026

It has been a very busy month for Planning! Regulations and policies which our officers have to work to rigidly are sometimes too restrictive and fortunately in some instances, elected members of the Planning Committee are able to make decisions based on experience and good old common sense. The Judicial Review regarding Market Bosworth N Plan bounces back and forward and makes more work for the legals!

I have noticed an increase in the number of organisations applying for grants recently which is really heartwarming and what we are aiming for. Kevin Taylor has certainly worked hard to get the message out there It has been a pleasure to work with him on many applications.

In Carlton, I am meeting with the Fete Dog Show manager, Catherine later in the month and have managed to enrol another volunteer from Barton in the Beans to help us on the day. We are anticipating being busier than last year and I have sponsored all of the 1st, 2nd and 3rd rosettes with Carlton Village fete clearly visible.

It was a real pleasure and education to visit one of the gardens in Main Street on a lovely sunny afternoon on June 14th. There was a lovely welcome and refreshments too!

With the help of parents, staff and governors of St Peters School, Market Bosworth Parish Council, Dr Luke Evans, Police inspector Neil Whittle, Josh Melen and myself, it looks like we are at last getting traffic calming in Station Road, Market Bosworth. Leicestershire Highways held a very short consultation for residents outlining the proposals which include, extending the 20mph limit, speed bumps/cushions, puffin crossing(s). We now await the outcome and details of what/when implementation, if any, will take place.

There is an extraordinary full council meeting on 14th July. Two agenda items:

- i. consideration for HBBC to purchase 10 – 15 one-bedroom properties to provide self-contained temporary accommodation on the basis it would be more cost effective than hotels/B& B's.
- ii. approval to publish HBBC Local Plan 2024-2045 (Regulation 19) for public consultation to commence August 2026 for 6 weeks.

I am currently dealing with 11 individual issues across the area.