



Lichfield  
District Council

# Your District Council **2025/26** Highlights



## Delivering our LD2050 vision

Our Lichfield District 2050 strategy sets out a long-term ambition to create thriving communities, protect our environment and support a strong local economy. These highlights show how we are turning that vision into real outcomes across the district.

# A message from the Leader of the Council



One of the things that makes Lichfield District so special is the strength of our communities — the pride people take in where they live, the support neighbours give one another and the shared ambition to create a place that continues to thrive.

Over the past year, I've had the privilege of seeing first-hand the difference that partnership working, local pride and community spirit can make. From investing in our parks and facilities to supporting residents through difficult times and helping local projects grow, our focus has been on building a district where people feel supported, connected and optimistic about the future.

Our long-term vision through LD2050 is about more than delivering services; it's about shaping a greener, healthier and more prosperous district while protecting the things people value most. This leaflet highlights just some of the progress we've made together, and I want to thank our residents, partners, businesses and staff for the part they play in making Lichfield District such a great place to live, work and visit.

## Councillor Doug Pullen

Leader, Lichfield District Council



## Active communities

### Supporting healthier, more active lives

We continue to invest in opportunities for residents to stay active and connected.

This year we opened Lichfield Leisure Centre and maintained our sports pitches, play areas and community facilities, supporting around **2,700 members** each week. Across the district, **1,919 health and wellbeing activities** helped more than **1,400 residents** enjoy a healthier lifestyle.

Our parks and open spaces remain some of the district's most valued assets, with Beacon Park and Burntwood Park both achieving Green Flag status for their quality and safety.



## Confident communities

Helping people feel safe, supported and proud of where they live

Supporting residents remains at the heart of everything we do. Residents contacted us more than **106,000 times** through online services, live chat and WhatsApp, helping provide quicker answers and reduce waiting times.

We helped **558 households** at risk of homelessness and invested **£2.1 million** in new temporary accommodation to provide safe places to stay while people find permanent homes.

Through our Council Tax Reduction Scheme, around **5,300 households** received support, with up to **100% discount** available for residents on the lowest incomes.

Our Community Safety Partnership supported around **5,000 people** through events, enforcement activity and personal safety initiatives, helping keep our communities safe.

## Green communities

Protecting our environment for future generations

We continue to invest in creating a cleaner, greener district.

Our teams collected more than **5 million bins** this year, supporting around **50,000 households**, while preparations continue for the launch of weekly food waste recycling.

We maintain **72 parks** and green spaces across the district and continue to tackle environmental crime, investigating fly-tipping and issuing fines to help protect our streets, parks and countryside.



# Prosperous communities

Supporting a thriving district and delivering value

We are committed to supporting local businesses, investing in neighbourhoods and ensuring residents receive value for money.

Working with partners, we carried out hundreds of inspections to tackle illegal trading, protect consumers and support legitimate businesses.

More than **£1.4 million** was awarded to community projects this year, supporting local facilities, play areas, health services and neighbourhood improvements. A further **£250,000** supported voluntary and community groups across the district.

Our Design Code continues to guide high-quality, sustainable development that reflects the character of our communities.



## Working together for our communities

The average household contributes around £3.80 per week to district services, around 9% of the total Council Tax bill, funding parks, waste services, housing, community safety and local services.

Every day we work with residents, businesses and partners to support communities, protect the environment and create opportunities across the district. Together, we are building a place we can all be proud of, now and for the future.

Thank you for being part of our district's story.



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