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## East Midlands APPG

**Co-Chairs: Nigel Mills MP (Amber Valley) Alex Norris MP (Nottingham North)**

The East Midlands All Party Parliamentary Group (EM APPG) has issued a call for evidence into the wider social and economic benefits (and opportunities) of major infrastructure investment in the East Midlands.

The East Midlands region had been historically 'under invested' relative to the UK average across a range of functions, most notably transport, which has had a negative impact on regional economic growth, productivity, and social mobility.

The APPG is keen to understand the extent to which national infrastructure investment underpins local investment by businesses and councils that results in social and economic benefits for people and places. This analysis will be used by Parliamentarians to engage with Government and the National Infrastructure Commission to address the Region's infrastructure deficit.

Written submissions of no more than 1,500 words are invited by 5.00pm on Friday 9th June 2023.

Two evidence sessions will take place as part of the APPG's Inquiry to provide an opportunity for Parliamentarians to hear from invited guests about the role of national infrastructure investment in securing wider social and economic outcomes for people and places in the East Midlands.

For more information on how to put forward your submission:

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## NATIONAL PAY OFFER

On Friday GMB announced that its members have rejected the LGS 'Green Book' pay offer by 64% to 36%. GMB added, "If negotiations aren't reopened and a revised offer made, we will move to industrial action ballots in some areas."

This follows last week's announcement that Unite members also voted to reject their pay offer.

Both unions will now conduct formal ballots for industrial action which are expected to run on a timetable similar to UNISON's strike ballot: from late May to early July. East Midlands Councils will keep members updated on any further developments.

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## 2023 LOCAL ELECTION RESULTS

Last week, voters took to the polls across the country to participate in local elections.

We provided an on the day update, as results were announced across the region, and have now published the final results from across the East Midlands on our website.

In the East Midlands, the results were as follows:

CONSTITUENCY	Previous majority	Seats	2023 majority	Seats	Change (Lab)	Change (Con)	Change (Lib)	Change (Indie)	Change (Green)	Change (UKIP)	Change (Reform)
<b>Derbyshire</b>											
Amber Valley Borough Council	Conservative	30/45	Labour	26/42	15	-21	1	2	3		
Bolsover District Council	Labour	18/37	Labour	31/37	13	1	-1	-13			
Chesterfield Borough Council	Labour	24/48	Labour	28/48	4		-1	-3			
Derby City Council	NOC (Con)	19/51	NOC (Lab)	23/51	6	-4	-3	1		-2	2
Derbyshire Dales District Council	Conservative	20/39	NOC (Lib Dem)	12/34	1	-6	5	-3	3		
Erewash Borough Council	Conservative	27/47	Labour	28/47	9	-11	0	1	1		
High Peak Borough Council	NOC (Lab)	22/43	Labour	29/43	7	-6	-2	1	0		
North East Derbyshire District Council	Conservative	30/53	Labour	28/53	10	-11	0	0	1		
South Derbyshire District Council	NOC (Con)	22/36	Labour	23/36	9	-10		1			
<b>Nottinghamshire</b>											
Ashfield District Council	Independent	30/35	Independent	32/25	-1	-1		2			
Bassetlaw District Council	Labour	37/48	Labour	38/48	1	4	-1	-4			
Broxtowe Borough Council	NOC (Lab)	14/44	Labour	26/44	12	-10	-2	0			
Gedling Borough Council	Labour	29/41	Labour	28/41	-1	1	2	-2			
Mansfield District Council	NOC (Lab)	15/36	Labour	25/36	11	3		-14			
Newark and Sherwood District Council	Conservative	27/39	NOC (Con)	14/39	4	-13	1	8			
Nottingham City Council	Labour	50/55	Labour	51/55	1	-2		1			
Rushcliffe Borough Council	Conservative	30/44	Conservative	25/44	3	-5	-2	4	0		
<b>Leicestershire</b>											
Blaby District Council	Conservative	25/39	Conservative	19/29	1	-6	4		1		
Charnwood Borough Council	Conservative	37/52	NOC (Con)	23/52	8	-16		1	7		
Harborough District Council	Conservative	22/34	NOC (Con)	15/34	2	-7	2		3		
Hinckley and Bosworth Borough Council	Liberal Democrats	21/34	Liberal Democrats	22/34	0	-1	1				
Leicester City Council	Labour	53/54	Labour	31/54	-22	17	2		3		
Melton Borough Council	Conservative	22/28	NOC (Con)	11/28	5	-11	1	5	0		
North West Leicestershire District Council	Conservative	20/38	NOC (Lab)	17/38	7	-8	1	1	-1		
Oadby and Wigston Borough Council	Liberal Democrats	24/26	Liberal Democrats	19/26		5	-5				
<b>Rutland County Council</b>	NOC (Con)	15/27	NOC (Lib Dem)	11/27	2	-9	8	-1	0		
<b>Lincolnshire</b>											
East Lindsey District Council	Conservative	29/55	NOC (Con)	26/55	-1	-3	0	3	1		
West Lindsey District Council	NOC (Con)	19/36	NOC (Lib Dem)	18/36		-5	6	-1			
South Holland District Council	Conservative	24/37	Conservative	19/37		-5		5			
North Kesteven District Council	Conservative	22/43	Conservative	25/43	2	3		-5			
South Kesteven District Council	Conservative	40/56	NOC (Con)	24/56	-1	-16	2	11	4		
Boston Borough Council	Conservative	16/30	Independent	24/30	-2	-11	1	13		-1	
Lincoln City Council	Labour	22/33	Labour	20/33	-2	0	2				
<b>TOTAL CHANGE</b>					103	-164	22	14	26	-3	2

### Mayoral Elections

Leicester Mayor

Peter Soulsby (Lab)

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Mansfield Mayor

Andy Abrahams (Lab)

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In addition to welcoming many new Councillors to EMC, we also said goodbye to some members who had an active role within EMCs leadership and various boards, who have retired from their role, or were not re-elected.

We want to take this opportunity to thank those members for their dedicated work over the years, and wish them well in their future endeavours.

We look forward to meeting and working with our new members over the coming months.

EMC will shortly be inviting nominations for membership. All local authority members are allocated one place on EMC, which is usually the Leader of the Council unless otherwise specified.

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## EMC COUNCILLOR DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

To support our member councils following the elections, EMC is providing a comprehensive and value for money Councillor Development Programme, complementing the in-house learning provided by your own local authority. While new members are being inducted into your authorities, we are asking existing members to share details of our Councillor Development Programme with new colleagues:

Thursday  
**25**  
MAY

### Chairing Skills for Members

The 2.5 hour session has been developed for Councillors in the East Midlands, who are interested in developing their chairing skills in face to face, virtual and hybrid settings. It is suitable for both chairs and vice chairs.

Wednesday  
**7**  
JUNE

### The Role of the Civic Head

This session will benefit Elected Members who anticipate election to the office of Mayor or Chair of Council at Annual Meetings. Attendance by civic office support staff has also proved useful and beneficial in understanding the role and building effective working relationships.

Thursday  
**22**  
JUNE

### Planning Reform - One Year On

This event will discuss key aspects of the Government's planning reform agenda and the future role of local planning authorities, bringing together expert speakers from the legal profession, Government, academia and the private sector.

Friday  
**14**  
JULY

### Hitting the Ground Running: *New Councillor Workshop*

This session has been specifically designed to support newly elected members. We aim to complement your own council's induction programme by covering a range of national and regional issues as well as further understanding your local ward role. This session also provides valuable networking opportunities with other newly elected and experienced councillors from across the region.

**Take a look at our Councillor Development Programme Brochure, and book your place here:**

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## EMC Leadership

Chair: Cllr Martin Hill OBE  
Vice Chair: Cllr Sarah Russell  
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