

A weekly round up of local government news in the East Midlands brought to you by
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National Pay Offer:
Unite ballot
results



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Results across the
East Midlands



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**Coronation of King
Charles III**

NATIONAL PAY OFFER UNITE BALLOT RESULTS

This week, Unite announced that its members have voted to reject their pay offer.

Unite LGS 'Green Book' members have voted to reject their pay offer by 75 per cent to 25 per cent

Unite Craft 'Red Book' members voted to reject their pay offer by 76 per cent to 24 per cent.

Unite now plans to conduct formal ballots for industrial action with both groups, 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, including the results of the GMB ballot, which is expected soon.

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2023 PAY AWARD FOR CHIEF OFFICERS

Agreement has today been reached on the 2023 pay award for local authority Chief Officers.

The details of the agreement which, in summary, is for a 3.5% increase with effect from 1st April 2023, can be found here:

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April's edition of the EMC HR Bulletin is now available. This month, Employment Law expert Darren Newman looks at reasonable adjustments, with a focus on what "reasonable" means from a legal perspective, and whether there is greater clarity on this for employers from ACAS's new guidance.

Also in the April Bulletin:

- Getting the best from Occupational Health
- EMC Councillor Development Programme Offer
- Support for Coaching in the Region
- Increases to Statutory Payments

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2023 LOCAL ELECTION RESULTS

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

This was the first election since Rishi Sunak became Prime Minister, and it's also the first election where voters have been required to present ID in order to cast their ballot.

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) |
|--------------------------------------------|---------------------|-------|---------------------|-------|--------------|--------------|--------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|
| Derbyshire | | | | | | | | | | |
| Bolsover District Council | Labour | 18/37 | Labour | 31/37 | 13 | 1 | -1 | -13 | | |
| North East Derbyshire District Council | Conservative | 30/53 | Labour | 28/53 | 10 | -11 | 0 | 0 | 1 | |
| Nottinghamshire | | | | | | | | | | |
| 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 (Con) | 20/44 | Labour | 26/44 | 12 | -10 | -2 | 0 | | |
| Mansfield Mayor | Andy Abrahams (Lab) | | Andy Abrahams (Lab) | | | | | | | |
| Leicestershire | | | | | | | | | | |
| North West Leicestershire District Council | Conservative | 20/38 | NOC (Lab) | 17/38 | 7 | -8 | 1 | 1 | -1 | |
| Hinckley and Bosworth Borough Council | Liberal Democrats | 21/34 | Liberal Democrats | 22/34 | 0 | -1 | 1 | | | |
| Blaby District Council | Conservative | 25/39 | Conservative | 19/29 | 1 | -6 | 4 | | 1 | |
| Lincolnshire | | | | | | | | | | |
| East Lindsey District Council | Conservative | 29/55 | NOC (Con) | 26/55 | -1 | -3 | 0 | 3 | 1 | |
| South Holland District Council | Conservative | 24/37 | Conservative | 19/37 | | -5 | | 5 | | |
| South Kesteven District Council | Conservative | 40/56 | NOC (Con) | 24/56 | -1 | -16 | 2 | 11 | 4 | |
| West Lindsey District Council | NOC (Con) | 19/36 | NOC (Lib Dem) | 18/36 | | -5 | 6 | -1 | | |
| 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 | | | |

AWAITING RESULTS

Derbyshire

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| Amber Valley Borough Council | Conservative | 30/45 |
| Chesterfield Borough Council | Labour | 28/48 |
| Derby City Council | Conservative | 21/51 |
| Derbyshire Dales District Council | Conservative | 20/39 |
| Erewash Borough Council | Conservative | 27/47 |
| High Peak Borough Council | NOC (Lab) | 22/43 |
| South Derbyshire District Council | NOC (Con) | 22/36 |

Nottinghamshire

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|--------------------------------------|--------------|-------|
| Gedling Borough Council | Labour | 29/41 |
| Rushcliffe Borough Council | Conservative | 29/44 |
| Mansfield District Council | NOC (Lab) | 15/36 |
| Newark and Sherwood District Council | Conservative | 27/39 |
| Nottingham City Council | Labour | 50/55 |

Leicestershire

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| Oadby and Wigston Borough Council | Liberal Democrats | 22/26 |
| Harborough District Council | Conservative | 22/34 |
| Melton Borough Council | Conservative | 22/28 |
| Charnwood Borough Council | Conservative | 37/52 |
| Leicester City Council | Labour | 53/54 |

Leicester Mayor

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| Peter Soulsby (Lab) | |
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Rutland County Council

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| Conservative | 15/27 |
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Lincolnshire

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| North Kesteven District Council | NOC (CON) | 20/42 |
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Across the region there has been a shift in the political make-up of some councils, with many authorities moving to No Overall Control, or changing hands entirely.

A number of Council Leaders across the region have lost their seats, including Jonathan Morgan of Charnwood Borough Council, David Lloyd of Newark and Sherwood, Lord Gary Porter, of South Holland District Council, Kelham Cooke, of South Kesteven District Council and Paul Skinner, of Boston Borough Council.

East Midlands Councils will provide a full update on results within next week's briefing.

In the meantime, coverage of local results can be found on BBC News: Local election results from the East Midlands

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THE CORONATION OF THEIR MAJESTIES KING CHARLES III AND QUEEN CAMILLA

Tomorrow, the nation will watch the historic Coronation of Their Majesties King Charles III and Queen Camilla.

There will be ceremonial processions in London before and after the Coronation service at Westminster Abbey in London. There will also be a Coronation Concert on 7 May.

Across the region, people will be celebrating with street parties and events, which can be found on the interactive map on the Coronation website. Councils are encouraged to share the map as appropriate to enable people to find events near them.



**FIND LOCAL
EVENTS**



EAST MIDLANDS COUNCILS NOMINATION PROCESS

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.

In addition to this, there are a further 40 places which are allocated based on the political balance of the region.

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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.

Bookings are now open for the first sessions within our 2023 Programme, including:

•Chairing Skills

⇒Develop your chairing skills in face to face, virtual and hybrid settings.

•Role of the Civic Head

⇒Understanding the role of the Civic Head along with key tips and strategies.

•Planning Reform

⇒An update on the Government's planning reform agenda and the future role of local planning authorities.

•Hitting the Ground Running—New Councillor Workshop

⇒Covering a range of national and regional issues, and further understanding your local ward role

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

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