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# BROADNOOK

COMMUNITY TRUST

*A place to grow..*



Newsletter | September 2025

## Welcome to Broadnook!

We're delighted to share the very first edition of the Broadnook Community Trust newsletter, created especially for our new residents. As Broadnook grows, the Trust is here to help shape a vibrant, well-connected community where everyone feels at home. This newsletter will keep you updated on local news, events, services, and opportunities to get involved. It's also a space to celebrate the people and stories that make Broadnook unique.

We are always looking for residents with ideas and energy who want to play a part in shaping our new community—so please feel free to reach out to us at [info@broadnooktrust.org.uk](mailto:info@broadnooktrust.org.uk).

We look forward to working together to build a strong and friendly neighbourhood—and we're so glad you're part of it from the beginning.

Warm regards, **Iona, Broadnook Community Trust**

## Meet the Trustee – Rob Gladstone

Hello and welcome to Broadnook Garden Village! My name is Rob Gladstone, and I've been the Vicar of Rothley Church since 2001, when I moved here with my wife and our two young children. Because Broadnook falls partly within Rothley Parish, I was involved in the early discussions about the vision for the Garden Village nearly ten years ago.



It's a real joy to see that vision now becoming reality and to help arrange some of the first welcome events for new residents.

Historically, churches have often played a role in shaping and supporting new communities, so I was delighted to be invited to serve as one of the Trustees of the Broadnook Community Trust. In this role, I hope to walk alongside you as Broadnook develops and, where helpful, offer pastoral and spiritual support too.

Before moving to Leicestershire, I taught Geography and Geology in Dudley, led canoeing and climbing in North Devon, and worked in churches in Stoke and Norwich. Having grown up in London, I'm also a lifelong Spurs fan—and when I get the chance to relax, you'll usually find me heading for the hills.

— Yours, Rob

## The Broadnook Big Lunch – A Celebration of Community

On Sunday 8th June, around 50 residents gathered for the first Broadnook Big Lunch, organised by the Broadnook Community Trust with Rothley Church and local volunteers. Despite a few showers, spirits stayed high as neighbours shared food, stories, and laughter in the amphitheatre, with children enjoying games on the slopes.

A highlight was the group photo by the Broadnook sign—captured by drone—which sparked a wonderful idea: to make this an annual tradition, documenting the growth of our community year by year. The day was a true reflection of what Broadnook is all about: connection, collaboration, and celebrating the journey of building our new neighbourhood together.



## Meet Your Local Policing Team

We are PC 1947 Dave Bennett and PCSO 6174 Jon Harrison, your dedicated officers for Birstall and Wanlip, now including Broadnook in our area. Our goal is to enhance safety and community connections. We're visiting the area during day and night shifts and planning a public engagement event to connect with residents. For updates and crime prevention advice, visit the Leicestershire Police website or sign up for Neighbourhood Link. In emergencies, dial 999; for non-emergencies, call 101 or report online. We look forward to meeting you!



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## Rothley Parish Church

Rothley Parish Church has been part of the community for over 1,000 years, and we are delighted to welcome Broadnook residents to the neighbourhood. We strive to serve everyone – of all faiths or none – and have loved working with the Broadnook Community Trust over the past year to host welcome events. We look forward to helping you build connections with neighbours and with the wider community.

We offer weekly parent & toddler groups, men's and women's meetings, and a monthly family event called Shine. If you're considering baptisms, weddings or funerals, we're here for those significant moments too. Our Hope Explored course offers space to reflect on life's bigger questions.

We also partner with the local primary school, run the Soar Valley Food Bank, and bring people together for special occasions like Remembrance Day, Harvest and Carols by Candlelight. You are warmly invited to join us at these events or simply drop in to visit our historic church, which has strong links to the abolition of slavery. For more information, see: [rothleychurch.org.uk](http://rothleychurch.org.uk)

## Have your say on Broadnook's Future

Charnwood Borough Council has launched a Community Governance Review (CGR) for Broadnook Garden Village to review how Broadnook should be represented locally. The review will explore whether Broadnook should become its own civil parish with a new parish council, which would mean adjusting existing parish boundaries. No decisions have been made yet—the Council is gathering views to see if changes are needed. This important review will help shape how our new community is represented and governed. The consultation is now open and runs until 30 November 2025.

This is your chance to share your views and help influence decisions about Broadnook.

To take part, simply scan the QR code or visit:

[www.charnwood.gov.uk/pages/broadnook\\_community\\_governance\\_review](http://www.charnwood.gov.uk/pages/broadnook_community_governance_review)



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Join us for a festive evening of

# SPARKLERS & SMORES

Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> November 5:00pm - 7:00pm

Food and Fun for all

Davidsons Marketing Suite  
Broadnook Garden Village  
Hot chocolate, smores, cakes, mulled wine and more available...

[info@broadnooktrust.org.uk](mailto:info@broadnooktrust.org.uk)

## EAST GOSCOTE UNITED FOOTBALL CLUB

East Goscote United FC offers football for everyone – boys, girls, and adults of all ages. From competitive teams to social football, there's a place for every player to enjoy the game.

**What We Offer:**

- ✓ Football for boys, girls, and adults from age 4 to open age
- ✓ Competitive and social football
- ✓ A welcoming, inclusive club environment

**FIND OUT MORE**

Secretary: [EGUFC@outlook.com](mailto:EGUFC@outlook.com) | [www.EGUFC.co.uk](http://www.EGUFC.co.uk)

## A CLUB FOR EVERY CHILD. A GAME FOR EVERYONE.

### Rothley Imps Junior Football Club

**We Provide:**

- Teams for All Ages** from Mini Dribblers U4s through to U17s
- Growing Offer for Girls' Football** from U5s upwards
- Quality & Safeguarding** FA Qualified & DBS-Checked Coaches
- Competitive Football** league matches in the Leicestershire & District League from U7s
- Player Development** training tailored to every child's pace, focussed on skills, respect & inclusion and fun

**Why Join?**

- Proud Community Club** long-established and rooted in community spirit
- Supportive & Welcoming** for players and parents alike
- Get Involved** opportunities for parents to volunteer and be a part of their child's journey

**Season & Training:**

- Train All Season** August to June
- Play the Game** friendly & league matches September to May

**Become Part of Our Community:**

Visit the clubs website to find out more and register your interest using the contact us page.

**ROTHLEY IMPS JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB**  
Proudly supporting grassroots football in Rothley and the surrounding area.  
[www.rothleyimps.co.uk](http://www.rothleyimps.co.uk)

## Exciting News from Davidsons Homes!

We're thrilled to announce the opening of four stunning showhomes across our two developments—The Haywoods and The Middletons. Come explore the charm and craftsmanship that make these homes truly special.

Plus, don't miss our fantastic Refer a Friend scheme, designed to help homeowners bring loved ones even closer. Speak to our friendly sales managers today to learn more.



## Bovis Welcomes You to Limewood and Fern

We were delighted to open our Limewood and Fern 5-bedroom show homes in July 2025. We'd also like to warmly welcome everyone to come down to our sales centre, say hello to our helpful sales team, and take a good look around our stunning new homes.

