**Update report summary for Great Boughton Parish Council (GBPC) – 16 June – 16 July 2025**

**1.Councillor surgery**

The first Saturday of the month at 10-11am Great Boughton Library and 11-12pm Caldy Valley Neighbourhood Church and Centre; figures to date

* **2023** - June – 2 July – 1 August – na
* September – 2 (10-12 GB Library) October – 1 November – 3 December – n/a
* **2024** January-1 February- 2 March – 1 April- 1 May – 1 June – 2 July -1 September – 2 October-6 November – 1 (cutback) December n/a
* **2025** January – 0 February – 0 March – 2 April – 3 May- 1 June – 1 July – Unknown(I led the Shed Lane Community Cut Back)
* **From September 2025 onwards -**  I have decided to discontinue joint Councillor Surgeries. Further update to follow. Residents can continue contact me via the usual channels.

**2.Community Events**

Attended -

* Mid Summer Watch Parade in Chester city
* Vicars Cross URC 60th Anniversary Celebration alongside the Lord Mayor of Chester
* Vicars Cross URC Summer Fayre
* Opening of the Community Garden, at Grosvenor Manor Care Centre, alongside the Lord Mayor of Chester, local schools and armed forces representatives
* Summer Fete at Dee Water Grange, Huntington
* Chester BusFest
* And led the Shed Lane Community Cut Back – 23 volunteers (including myself!) attended the event. A real success and a fantastic impact.

**3.Boughton Village Shopping**

* Contacted by Chester Cycling Campaign with news of surplus bike rack at a nearby school. *Ongoing communication with officers to explore option of replacing current, old rack outside the butchers. Permission obtained from Sanctuary to replace rack, as it is located on their land. Offer secured from Colas to collect new, remove old and re- fit new. Discussions continue, awaiting a date for fitting of the replacement rack.*
* Concerns raised about planters – *volunteer contacted but no reply as yet. Request sent to officers to assess the current state of the planters, alongside a pledge to support the renewal with my Councillor Ward funding.*

**4.Summary of Casework**

* Grassed verges on Green Lane, between the Library and shops, are overgrown. Land is not owned by the Council. *Contact made with Council officers and urged to contact the land owner on behalf of residents. Spar contacted and request made to contact land lord. Further contact will be made with other businesses to collectively address this issue with land lord. Local businesses all contacted, all very supportive. However, with various landlords involved I am now attempting to contact Blakemore Retail and have written to the registered land owner.*
* Enquiries raised about Lidl build at Caldy Valley Retail Park. *Awaiting amended legal agreement. Further enquiries received relating to trees. Update provided to resident.*
* Alerted that land on corner of Neville Road and Neville Drive is now very overgrown. *Flagged up to Council as a priority and recontacted resident previously interested in restoring this land, possibly setting up a community garden. No update.*
* Land dispute at the Holkham *– Update - Council has now wrote to properties on 6/12/24. Site revisited February 2025. All, bar 1 property has complied –return visit planed 1/7/25. 1 property, still non compliant. Next steps being discussed.*
* SEND support ongoing. *Question asked of Cabinet Member at Full Council in May.* *Answer fedback to residents.*

**General**

* Ongoing litter picks and ward walks/jogs continue
* Chaired Community Governance Review Meeting – agenda and minutes available online
* Due to political manoeuvring I have now been removed from my role as Chair of Community Governance Review Committee
* Due to political manoeuvring I have now been removed from my role as Fostering Panel Representative
* Traffic and grit notifications given on Social Media
* Follow on Social Media for regular updates

Facebook – Elizabeth MacGlashan Councillor Great Boughton

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