



Community Alert

Loose Parish Council (LPC) – Keeping you updated

Issue No. 65

Loose Neighbourhood Development Plan
Pre-Submission Consultation (Regulation 14)

Have your say - Public Consultation
Thursday 10 September until Friday 23 October 2026

Loose Parish Council is inviting comments on its Pre-Submission Draft Neighbourhood Plan. The draft plan sets out ambitions and planning policies to guide how land is used locally over the period to 2038. It merges and updates the existing neighbourhood plans for Loose and North Loose. The draft plan and associated documents can be viewed on the Loose Parish Council website:

<https://www.loose-pc.gov.uk/loose-neighbourhood-plan>.

Printed copies can be viewed at:

- **Loose Parish Pavilion**, King George V Playing Field, Walnut Tree Lane, Loose ME15 9RG: during Parish Council meetings and events.
- **YMCA, Melrose Close**, Maidstone ME15 6BD: Mon-Fri 06.30-22.00; Sat 08.00-18.00; Sun 08.00-16.00.
- **Coxheath Library**, Heath Road, Coxheath ME17 4EH: Mon, Thurs, Fri 09.00-17.00 (closed 12.00-13.00); Tues 14.00-17.00; Sat 09.00-13.00.

Public events

Saturday 19 September, 09.30-12.00	- Pop-up Information at Boughton Parade, Loose Road
Tuesday 22 September, 10.00-16.00	- Drop in any time, YMCA, Melrose Close
Tuesday 29 September, 14.30-17.00	- Drop in any time, Loose Parish Pavilion
Tuesday 29 September, 19.00 for 19.30	- Presentation at Loose Parish Pavilion
Sunday 4 October, 14.00-16.30	- Drop in any time, Loose Parish Pavilion

The consultation period runs from 10 Sept to 23 Oct 2026. Comments can be submitted during this period by completing the survey form as follows:

1. Preferred option: online at

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/LooseReg14>

2. Download the survey from the Parish Council website and either

- send by e-mail to office@loose-pc.gov.uk
- post to Neighbourhood Plan Consultation, Loose Parish Council, PO Box 634, Maidstone ME17 4YR
- or pop in the letterbox at the Loose Pavilion.

Loose Neighbourhood Development Plan
Our Community, Our Plan, Our Future

09 September 2026

The new school year has begun!

Loose Parish Council wishes everyone recently returned to school or starting for the first time a wonderful year! Remember to read, fall in love with learning and make the most of every opportunity!

To all parents, carers and responsible adults, on behalf of residents and local businesses, we ask that you ensure you park considerably and carefully in and around the local schools. We appreciate parking can often be difficult but poor parking choices can block sightlines for other drivers, obstruct the pavement for pedestrians and put people in unnecessary danger. Double yellow lines and zig zags are in place for safety reasons, and all Loose schools are on a rota for enforcement patrols.



Instead of taking risks close to a school, why not enjoy a little “walk and talk” from a safer parking area a short distance away.

We open our Pavilion car park early to help ease the situation on the Loose Road, but if you use the Pavilion car park, we ask that you use it for **pick up and drop off ONLY**. We do not provide parking for school events or swimming lessons and by using our car park, it impacts on our hirers and other park users. When leaving the car park, please leave very slowly, ensuring you take time to look left.

Vacancies to get involved in your community:

Adopt a planter: Two planters on Boughton Parade are looking for carers – an individual, a group or a school? Vouchers provided for planter contents.

Become a Councillor: Help shape the future of Loose and make decisions for your community.

Love Loose Hate Litter: Join the amazing team of litter pickers. Equipment (pickers, gloves and the special bags) provided. You choose your area and go out when it suits you or join the monthly sessions.

Environment volunteers: Join the working parties run by local groups in the Loose Valley, Mangravel Wood, or when needed, footpath clearing sessions. Contact us for more info on any of the above.

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