

Friendly Connected Communities of Leicestershire

Supporting Values and Principles

Friendly Connected Communities of Leicestershire is a simple and practical concept that encourages and suggests ways for communities to be more inclusive and resilient, and to help individuals to feel welcome, supported, safe and integrated wherever they live in Leicestershire.

Community groups and organisations that wish to endorse and support a Friendly Connected Community approach are invited to commit to the following core values and principles:

- A friendly, welcoming, and inclusive approach that seek to engage all sections of communities in community life and supports wide involvement and participation in community events, civic structures, and community facilities and activities.
- Open and accessible networking and communication which ensures that information on activities and services is widely shared within the community, not just a specific group, and activities are developed collaboratively.
- Empathy, tolerance, and respect for others which supports resilience, responsiveness to different needs, and a cohesive and integrated community.
- Recognition of the strengths, skills and knowledge of all individuals and groups within the community and the different contributions that people can make.
- Connecting all communities to ensure the diversity of the area is reflected in community activity.

