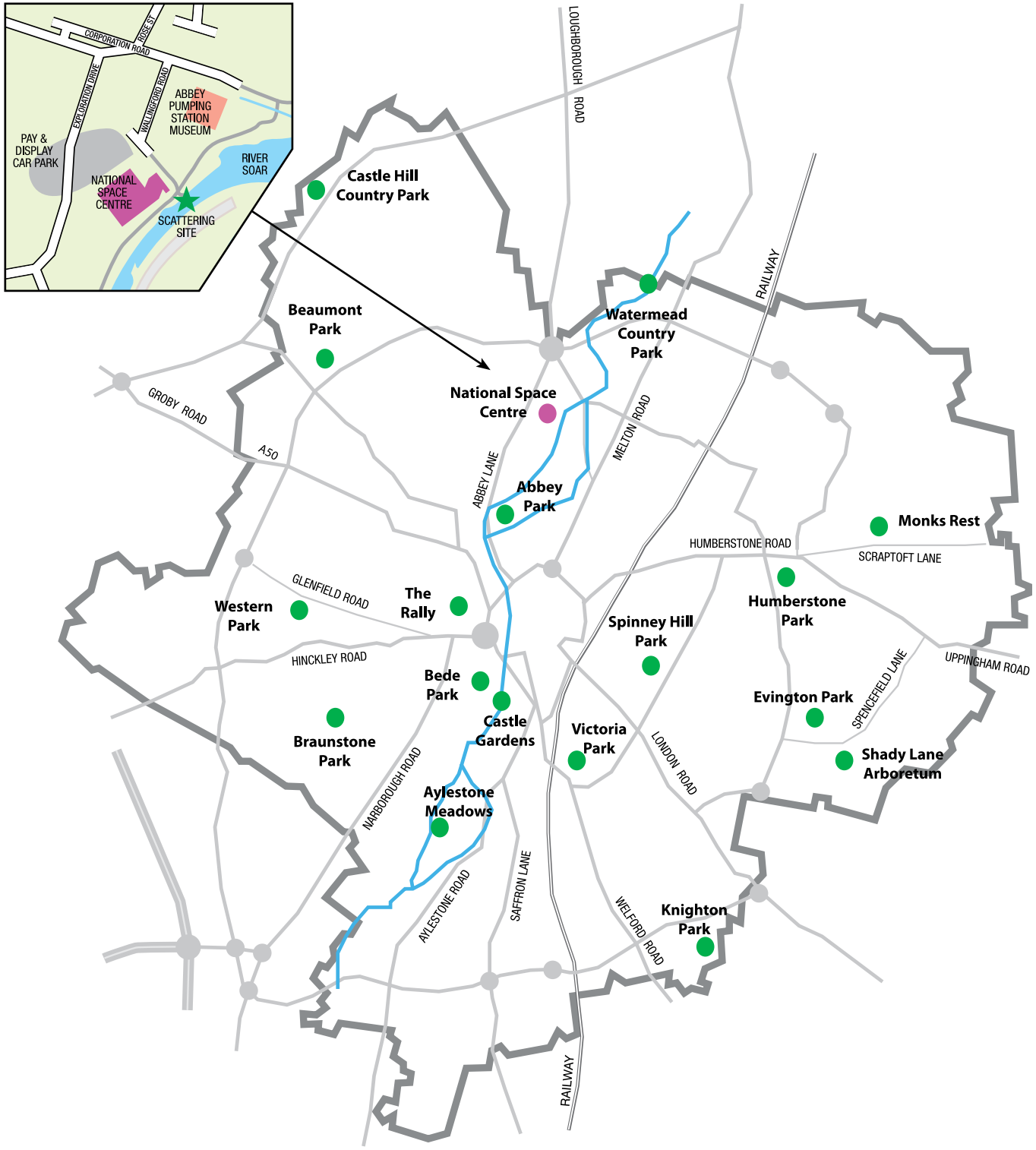

Scattering Ashes on Leicester's Parks and The River Soar

Leicester City Council

When someone dies you might want to scatter their ashes locally, to do this safely we have introduced new rules about where and when this can be done.

Ashes can be scattered at any of our parks, as well as along a stretch of the River Soar, near to the National Space Centre. Unfortunately, you are not allowed to leave memorials or flowers where the ashes are scattered.

In some locations you can purchase a tree or shrub, or have a memorial bench with an inscription plaque, the parks team can advise on these options.

If you wish to scatter ashes in a park, for which a fee is chargable, the person's next of kin or the executor of their will needs to complete a service request form. You can download this from the website at **leicester.gov.uk/ashes** or ask for one by calling 0116 454 1003.

When you are scattering the ashes you should make sure that they are scattered evenly. Please be mindful of other people – particularly those who might be nearby to you – when scattering the ashes, and think about the direction of the wind.

When scattering ashes on the River Soar, a quiet location has been selected that does not affect other users of the river. It is near the National Space Centre at Abbey Meadows and can be found by following the level path alongside the Centre towards the river. A platform will be found over the water. Cars can be parked close by using the pay and display facilities at the National Space Centre, Exploration Drive, LE4 5NS.

It is free to use. Please only place natural biodegradable objects in the water.