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To: The Members of the Hitchin Committee of North Hertfordshire District Council:

Councillors: David Leal – Bennett (Chairman), Deborah Segalini (Vice-Chairman), Alison Ashley, Judi Billing, Paul Clark, Simon Harwood, Joan Kirby, Bernard Lovewell, Alan Millard, Frank Radcliffe, R. Shakespeare – Smith, Adrian Smith and R.A.C. Thake.

You are invited to attend a meeting of the

## **HITCHIN COMMITTEE**

to be held at

**THE MAIN SCHOOL HALL  
HITCHIN BOYS SCHOOL  
GRAMMAR SCHOOL WALK  
HITCHIN**

on

**TUESDAY 2 SEPTEMBER 2014**

at

**7.30 p.m.**

Yours sincerely,



David Miley  
Democratic Services Manager

## AGENDA - PART I

ITEM	PAGE
1. <b>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</b>	-
2. <b>MINUTES – 22 JULY 2014</b> To take as read and approve as a true record the Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 22 July 2014.	-
3. <b>NOTIFICATION OF OTHER BUSINESS</b> Members should notify the Chairman of other business which they wish to be discussed by the Committee at the end of the business set out in the agenda. They must state the circumstances which they consider justify the business being considered as a matter of urgency. The Chairman will decide whether the item(s) raised will be considered.	-
4. <b>CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENT</b> Members are reminded that any declarations of interest in respect of any business set out in the agenda, should be declared as either a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest or Declarable Interest and are required to notify the Chairman of the nature of any interest declared at the commencement of the relevant item on the agenda. Members declaring a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest must withdraw from the meeting for the duration of the item. Members declaring a Declarable Interest which requires they leave the room under Paragraph 7.4 of the Code of Conduct, can speak on the item, but must leave the room before the debate and vote.	-
5. <b>PUBLIC PARTICIPATION</b> There will be three presentations at this meeting: <b>1. Hitchin Tidy Up – Hitchin Forum</b> <b>2. RISE (School workshops) – to be confirmed.</b> <b>3. Hitchin Stroke Group</b>	1
6. <b>HERTFORDSHIRE CONSTABULARY</b> To receive a presentation from Hertfordshire Constabulary regarding crime rates, performance and current policing priorities for Hitchin and North Hertfordshire overall.	3
7. <b>INFORMATION NOTE: NORTH HERTFORDSHIRE DISTRICT MUSEUM AND COMMUNITY FACILITY AT HITCHIN TOWN HALL</b> <b>THE STRATEGIC DIRECTOR OF CUSTOMER SERVICES</b> <i>For the Committee to be advised on the current status of the re-development of Hitchin Town Hall and adjacent buildings in Brand Street.</i>	5
8. <b>INFORMATION NOTE: CHURCHGATE AND SURROUNDING AREA</b> <b>THE STRATEGIC DIRECTOR OF FINANCE, POLICY AND GOVERNANCE</b> <i>To provide the Committee with an update on the latest position regarding Churchgate and Surrounding Area.</i>	11
9. <b>GRANTS POLICY REVIEW</b> <b>REPORT OF THE HEAD OF POLICY AND COMMUNITY SERVICES</b> <i>For the Committee to review the proposed changes to the NHDC Grants Policy.</i>	13

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<b>10. INFORMATION NOTE: NHDC ASSETS IN HITCHIN</b> THE HEAD OF FINANCE, PERFORMANCE AND ASSET MANAGEMENT <i>For the Committee to receive an update on NHDC assets and            potential disposals of assets in Hitchin.</i>	<b>55</b>
<b>11. HITCHIN TOWN CENTRE MANAGER</b> An oral presentation.	<b>65</b>
<b>12. MEMBERS OF THE HITCHIN COMMITTEE APPOINTED AS NHDC            REPRESENTATIVES TO OUTSIDE BODIES</b> Introduced by the Chairman.	<b>67</b>
<b>13. COMMUNITY UPDATE AND GRANT APPLICATIONS</b> REPORT OF THE HEAD OF POLICY AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT <i>For the Committee to receive an update on activities in Hitchin and a            review of budgets and any grant applications.</i>	<b>69</b>
<b>14. GRANT APPLICATION – HITCHIN STROKE GROUP</b>	-
<b>15. GRANT APPLICATION – FURNITURE LINK</b>	-

The dates of the meetings and venues of the Hitchin Committee to be held in the Civic Year 2014- 2015 are as follows:

**2014**

**Tuesday 2 December – Westmill Community Centre, John Barker Place**

**2015**

**Tuesday 3 March – Westmill Community Centre, John Barker Place**