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

Councillors: Allison Ashley, Judi Billing, Nicola Harris, Simon Harwood, Joan Kirby, David Leal-Bennett, Bernard Lovewell, Alan Millard, Frank Radcliffe, Deborah Segalini, 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

**WESTMILL COMMUNITY CENTRE
JOHN BARKER PLACE
HITCHIN**

on

TUESDAY 26 MAY 2015

at

7.30 p.m.

Yours sincerely,



David Miley
Democratic Services Manager

AGENDA - PART I

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1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE	-
2. MINUTES – 3 MARCH 2015	-
<p>To take as read and approve as a true record the Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 3 March 2015.</p>	
3. MINUTES – 21 MAY 2015	-
<p>To take as read and approve as a true record the Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 21 May 2015.</p>	
4. NOTIFICATION OF OTHER BUSINESS	-
<p>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.</p>	
5. CHAIRMAN’S ANNOUNCEMENT	-
<p>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.</p>	
6. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION	-
<p>To receive presentations and petitions from members of the public including:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Hitchin Link Town Twinning Association;2. Hitchin Town Centre Initiative;3. Hitchin Festival;4. Hitchin Senior Citizens Welfare Committee;5. Daisychains;6. Phase.	
7. INFORMATION NOTE: NORTH HERTFORDSHIRE DISTRICT MUSEUM AND COMMUNITY FACILITY AT HITCHIN TOWN HALL INFORMATION NOTE OF THE STRATEGIC DIRECTOR OF CUSTOMER SERVICES	1
<p>For the Committee to be advised on the current status of the re-development of Hitchin Town Hall and adjacent buildings in Brand Street.</p>	

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<p>8. INFORMATION NOTE: BANCROFT RECREATION GROUND INFORMATION NOTE OF THE STRATEGIC DIRECTOR OF CUSTOMER SERVICES</p> <p>For the Committee to be advised on the current status of the re- development of Bancroft Recreation Ground.</p>	9
<p>9. INFORMATION NOTE: CHURCHGATE AREA INFORMATION NOTE OF THE STRATEGIC DIRECTOR OF FINANCE, POLICY AND GOVERNANCE</p> <p>To provide the Committee with an update on the latest position regarding Churchgate and Surrounding Area.</p>	19
<p>10. GARAGES AND ACCESS WAY, GARRISON COURT, HITCHIN REPORT OF THE HEAD OF FINANCE, PERFORMANCE AND ASSET MANAGEMENT</p> <p>To consult with the Hitchin Committee regarding proposed disposal of a block of garages and access way at Garrison Court, Hitchin.</p>	21
<p>11. HITCHIN TOWN CENTRE MANAGER</p> <p>To receive an oral presentation from the Hitchin Town Centre Manager.</p>	-
<p>12. GRANT APPLICATIONS AND COMMUNITY UPDATE REPORT OF THE HEAD OF POLICY AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT</p> <p>For the Committee to receive an update on activities in Hitchin and a review of budgets and determine grant applications.</p>	27
<p>13. WARD AND OUTSIDE ORGANISATIONS – MEMBERS’ REPORTS</p> <p>To receive any oral reports from Members regarding Ward matters and Outside Organisations.</p>	-

The dates and venues of the meetings of the Hitchin Committee to be held in the Civic Year 2015- 2016 are as follows:

Tuesday, 14 July 2015 – Hitchin Boys School, Grammar School Walk, Hitchin
Tuesday, 8 September 2015 – Hitchin Boys School, Grammar School Walk, Hitchin
Tuesday, 17 November 2015 – Benslow Music Trust, Benslow Lane, Hitchin
Tuesday, 12 January 2016 – Westmill Community Centre, John Barker Place, Hitchin
Tuesday, 1 March 2016 – Westmill Community Centre, John Barker Place, Hitchin