25 August 2017

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To: Members of the Committee: Councillor Nicola Harris (Chairman), Councillor Ian Albert Vice-Chairman), Councillor Judi Billing, Councillor Paul Clark, Councillor Elizabeth Dennis, Councillor Simon Harwood, Councillor Bermard Lovewell, Councillor Alan Millard, Councillor Frank Radcliffe, Councillor Ray Shakespeare-Smith, Councillor Adrian Smith, Councillor Martin Stears-Handscomb and Councillor Richard Thake

You are invited to attend a

MEETING OF THE HITCHIN COMMITTEE

to be held in the

PETER MORRISON HALL, BENSLOW MUSIC SCHOOL, BENSLOW LANE, HITCHIN

On

TUESDAY, 5 SEPTEMBER, 2017 AT 7.30 PM

Yours sincerely,

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David Miley Democratic Services Manager

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1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

2. MINUTES - 27 JUNE 2017

To take as read and approve as a true record the minutes of the meeting of this Committee held on the 27 June 2017

3. NOTIFICATION OF OTHER BUSINESS

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 any item(s) raised will be considered.

4. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

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. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

To receive petitions and presentations from members of the public including:

- 1. Hammersmatch;
- 2. Hitchin Town Twinning;
- 3. Rhythms of the World.

6. FEASIBILITY STUDY RE LINK ROAD OFF STOTFOLD ROAD UPDATE

To receive a verbal update from County Councillors Judi Billing and Derrick Ashley regarding the feasibility study regarding a link road off Stotfold Road.

7. HIGHWAYS MATTERS

The Chairman to lead a discussion regarding Highways Matters

8. GRANTS AND COMMUNITY UPDATE REPORT OF THE COMMUNITIES MANAGER

To update the Committee on the activities and actions of the Communities Officer, to advise on the current expenditure and balances of the delegated budgets and to consider applications for grant funding.

9. CONSULTATION IN RELATION TO THE PROPOSED STREET TRADING (Pages 25 - 56)

REPORT OF THE LICENSING MANAGER

To comment upon the proposed Street Trading Policy for the Council, particularly in relation to any matters specific to Hitchin.

10. HITCHIN TOWN CENTRE MANAGER

To receive an oral presentation from the Hitchin Town Centre Manager

11. UPDATE ON THE GREEN SPACE STRATEGY - PLAY AREAS

To receive an update from Councillors Simon Harwood and Martin Stears-Handscomb regarding the work they have been undertaking regarding play areas

12. UPDATE FROM THE MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT FOR HITCHIN AND HARPENDEN

(Pages 57 - 58)

To receive an update from Bim Afolami, Member of Parliament for Hitchin and Harpenden.

13. WARD MATTERS AND OUTSIDE ORGANISATIONS - MEMBERS' REPORTS

To receive any oral reports from Members regarding Ward matters and Outside Organisations.

14. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AT FUTURE MEETINGS

To receive suggestions for Items to be discussed at future meetings from Members of the Committee

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