

28 November 2022

Our Ref Hitchin Committee/8 December 2022
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To: Members of the Committee: Councillor Ian Albert (Chair), Councillor Clare Billing (Vice-Chair), Councillor Raj Bhakar, Councillor Val Bryant, Councillor Sam Collins, Councillor Elizabeth Dennis-Harburg, Councillor James Denselow, Councillor Keith Hoskins MBE, Councillor Chris Lucas, Councillor Nigel Mason, Councillor Kay Tart and Councillor Richard Thake

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN OF A

MEETING OF THE HITCHIN COMMITTEE

to be held in the

HITCHIN TOWN HALL, BRAND STREET, HITCHIN, SG5 1JE

On

THURSDAY, 8TH DECEMBER, 2022 AT 7.30 PM

Yours sincerely,

Jeanette Thompson
Service Director – Legal and Community

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Agenda Part I

Item	Page
1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE	
2. MINUTES - 11 OCTOBER 2022 To take as read and approve as a true record the minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on the 11 October 2022.	(Pages 5 - 16)
3. NOTIFICATION OF OTHER BUSINESS Members should notify the Chair of other business which they wish to be discussed at the end of either Part I or Part II 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 Chair will decide whether any item(s) raised will be considered.	
4. CHAIR'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 Chair 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, wishing to exercise a 'Councillor Speaking Right', must declare this at the same time as the interest, move to the public area before speaking to the item and then must leave the room before the debate and vote.	
5. HITCHIN BID MANAGER To receive a verbal presentation from the Hitchin BID Manager.	
6. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION To receive petitions, comments and questions from the public.	
7. AIR QUALITY UPDATE VERBAL UPDATE FROM THE ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH MANAGER To receive a verbal update from the Environmental Health Manager on the Air Quality Monitoring in Hitchin. This has previously been discussed at the Hitchin Area Committee at the meeting of the 28 June 2022 and relevant papers and Minutes can be found here: Agenda for Hitchin Committee on Tuesday, 28th June, 2022, 7.30 pm North Herts Council (north-herts.gov.uk) .	

8. **INFORMATION NOTE - CHURCHGATE SHOPPING CENTRE UPDATE** (Pages
INFORMATION NOTE OF THE SERVICE DIRECTOR – ENTERPRISE 17 - 18)

To provide Members an update on Churchgate Shopping Centre.

9. **GRANTS AND COMMUNITY UPDATE** (Pages
REPORT OF THE POLICY AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT MANAGER 19 - 32)

To advise the Members on the current expenditure and balances of the Committee Grant budgets.

To bring to the Members' attention recent requests received for Committee grant funding, made by community groups and local organisations.

To advise of the activities and schemes with which the Community Engagement officers have been involved in.

To bring to the Members' attention some important community-based activities that will take place during the next few months.

10. **WARD MATTERS AND OUTSIDE ORGANISATIONS - MEMBERS' REPORTS**

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

11. **POSSIBLE AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS**

The Chair to lead a discussion regarding possible agenda items for future meetings.