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To: Members of the Committee: Councillor Tom Tyson (Chair), Councillor Alistair Willoughby (Vice-Chair), Councillor Juan Cowell, Councillor Steve Jarvis, Councillor Michael Muir and Councillor Michael Weeks

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN OF A

MEETING OF THE BALDOCK AND DISTRICT AREA FORUM

to be held in the

BALDOCK METHODIST CHURCH, WHITE HORSE STREET, BALDOCK, SG7 6QB

On

MONDAY, 11TH SEPTEMBER, 2023 AT 7.30 PM

Yours sincerely,

Jeanette Thompson Service Director – Legal and Community

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Agenda <u>Part I</u>

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1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

2. MINUTES - AREA COMMITTEE 20 MARCH 23

To take as read and approve as a true record the minutes of the meeting of the Area Committee held on the 20 March 2023.

3. 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.

4. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - GRANT APPLICATIONS

To consider community grant applications for recommendation to the Executive Member for Community and Partnerships.

5. GRANTS & COMMUNITY UPDATE

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To provide the Forum with an update to ensure Members are kept informed of the work of the Community and Partnerships Team.

6. PRESENTATION - COST OF LIVING

Presentation by Citizens Advice North Herts and Letchworth, Hitchin & Baldock Foodbank about the Cost of Living and the support available. Followed by Q&A.

7. WARD MATTERS & OUTSIDE ORGANISATIONS

To receive any verbal reports from Members and members of the public regarding Ward matters and Outside Organisations.

8. FUTURE AREA FORUMS

To discuss topics for future meetings and discuss the virtual winter meetings.