

Our Ref Hitchin Area Forum Sept 5th 2023
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To: Members of the Committee: Councillor Ian Albert (Chair), Councillor Clare Billing (Vice-Chair), Councillor Raj Bhakar, Councillor Clare Billing, Councillor Val Bryant, Councillor Sam Collins, Councillor Elizabeth Dennis, Councillor James Denselow, Councillor Keith Hoskins MBE, Councillor Chris Lucas, Councillor Nigel Mason, Councillor Richard Thake, Councillor Dave Winstanley and Councillor Daniel Wright-Mason

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN OF A

MEETING OF THE HITCHIN AREA FORUM

to be held in the

CHRISTCHURCH, BEDFORD RD, HITCHIN SG5 1HF

On

TUESDAY, 5TH SEPTEMBER, 2023 AT 7.30 PM

Yours sincerely,

Jeanette Thompson
Service Director – Legal and Community

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Agenda Part I

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1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE	
2. 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.	
3. TOWN TALK Presentation from Hitchin Area Forum on Town centre accessibility for people with mobility issues. Followed by Q&A.	
4. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION	
5. PRESENTATION - COST OF LIVING Presentation by Citizens Advice North Herts about the Cost of Living and the support available.	
6. HITCHIN BID TOWN CENTRE UPDATE To receive a verbal update from the Hitchin BID manager on their work in Hitchin town centre.	
7. GRANTS & COMMUNITY UPDATE To consider community grant applications for recommendation to the Executive Member for Community and Partnerships.	(Pages 3 - 16)
8. WARD MATTERS & OUTSIDE ORGANISATION To receive any verbal reports from Members and members of the public regarding Ward matters and Outside Organisations.	
9. FUTURE AREA FORUM MEETINGS To discuss topics for future meetings and discuss the virtual winter meetings.	