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Our Ref Hitchin Area Forum 5 March 2024
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To: Members of the Committee: Councillors Ian Albert (Chair), Clare Billing (Vice-Chair), Raj Bhakar, Val Bryant, Sam Collins, Elizabeth Dennis, James Denselow, Keith Hoskins MBE, Chris Lucas, Nigel Mason, Richard Thake, Dave Winstanley and Daniel Wright-Mason

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN OF A

MEETING OF THE HITCHIN AREA FORUM

to be held in the

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

On

TUESDAY, 5TH MARCH, 2024 AT 7.30 PM

Yours sincerely,

Jeanette Thompson
Service Director – Legal and Community

****MEMBERS PLEASE ENSURE THAT YOU DOWNLOAD ALL AGENDAS AND REPORTS VIA THE MOD.GOV APPLICATION ON YOUR TABLET BEFORE ATTENDING THE MEETING****

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. HITCHIN BID TOWN CENTRE UPDATE To receive a verbal update from the Hitchin BID Manager on their work in Hitchin town centre. | |
| 4. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - GRANT APPLICATIONS To consider community grant applications for recommendation to the Executive Member for Community and Partnerships. | |
| 5. GRANTS & COMMUNITY UPDATE To provide the Forum with an update to ensure Members are kept informed of the work of the Community and Partnerships Team. | (Pages 3 - 14) |
| 6. PRESENTATION - POLICE UPDATE Presentation by North Herts Safer Neighbourhood Team. | |
| 7. TOWN TALK To hear a written update about Churchgate read by the Forum Chair, followed by Q&A. | |
| 8. WARD MATTERS & OUTSIDE ORGANISATIONS To receive any verbal reports from Members and members of the public regarding Ward matters and Outside Organisations. | |
| 9. FUTURE AREA FORUMS To discuss topics for future meetings. | |