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Our Ref Hitchin Community Forum 10 December
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To: Members of the Committee: Councillors Ian Albert (Chair), Clare Billing (Vice-Chair), Val Bryant, Jon Clayden, Sam Collins, Elizabeth Dennis, Keith Hoskins MBE, Chris Lucas, Nigel Mason, Dave Winstanley, Daniel Wright-Mason and Donna Wright

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN OF A

MEETING OF THE HITCHIN COMMUNITY FORUM

to be held in the

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

On

TUESDAY, 10TH DECEMBER, 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 PRESENTATION - GRANT APPLICATIONS To consider community grant applications for recommendation to the Executive Member for Community and Partnerships. | (Pages 5 - 18) |
| 5. | PRESENTATION - EVERYONE ACTIVE COMMUNITIES TEAM Presentation by the Communities Team from Everyone Active about their work in the community. | |
| 6. | TOWN TALK - OPEN DISCUSSION To open the floor to questions and discussion relevant to Hitchin. | |
| 7. | HITCHIN MOSQUE UPDATE Hitchin Mosque representatives to update the forum on their search for new premises. | |
| 8. | CHURCHGATE To hear a short written update about the Churchgate consultation read by the Forum Chair. | |
| 9. | PRESENTATION - PARKING TARIFF CONSULTATION Presented by Cllr Daniel Allen, Leader of North Herts Council. | |
| 10. | COMMUNITY MATTERS | |

To receive an update from County Councillor Ian Albert on the recent flooding and fires in Hitchin.

11. COMMUNITY UPDATE

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

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12. WARD MATTERS & OUTSIDE ORGANISATIONS

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

13. FUTURE COMMUNITY FORUMS

To discuss topics for future meetings.