

NORTH HERTFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

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Our Ref Royston and District Community Forum 11 September 2024 Contact. Community Partnerships Direct Dial. (01462) 474230 Email. <u>community</u>@north-herts.gov.uk

To: Members of the Committee: Councillors Ruth Brown (Chair), Bryony May (Vice-Chair), Matt Barnes, Cathy Brownjohn, Ruth Clifton, Tim Johnson and Martin Prescott

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN OF A

MEETING OF THE ROYSTON AND DISTRICT COMMUNITY FORUM

to be held in the

HARDWICKE HALL, ROYSTON TOWN HALL, MELBOURN STREET, ROYSTON, SG8 7BZ

On

WEDNESDAY, 11TH SEPTEMBER, 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

Item

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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.

Community Governance Review

The Council resolved to commence a Community Governance Review for the whole district which focuses on parish level arrangements.

The first stage of the review is to consult, and the council is inviting residents, parish councils and any interested parties to have their say on current arrangements as well as suggestions for future arrangements via a survey which is open until 7 October.

There is a dedicated webpage on the Council's website titled 'Community Governance Review' which includes a link to the survey.

Please can I encourage you to complete the survey. If anyone has any Consultation, please queries regarding the email CommunityGovReview@north-herts.gov.uk

3. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - GRANT APPLICATIONS** (Pages 5

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

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COMMUNITY UPDATE 4.

To provide the Forum with an update to ensure Members are kept informed 19 - 20) of the work of the Community and Partnerships Team.

5. **ROYSTON TOWN COUNCIL**

Presentation by Mayor John Rees.

- 6. HERTFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL Presentation by Cllr Fiona Hill.
- 7. **PRESENTATION SUSTAINABLE TRAVEL TOWN** Presentation by NHC Town Centre Project Officer Anna Bradley.
- 8. PRESENTATION CREATE COMMUNITY Presentation by Create Community. <u>Create Community (createcommunity.co.uk)</u>
- 9. PRESENTATION STEP 2 SKILLS Presentation by JacQuie Gascoigne and Anne Tinker.

Step2Skills Home (hertfordshire.gov.uk)

10. PRESENTATION - HERTS FUTURES

Presentation by Hertfordshire Futures.

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11. WARD MATTERS & OUTSIDE ORGANISATIONS

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

12. OPEN DISCUSSION

To open the floor to questions and discussion relevant to Royston and the surrounding villages.

13. FUTURE AREA FORUMS

To discuss topics for future meetings.