

## NORTH HERTFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

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24 September 2025

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

#### NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN OF A

# MEETING OF THE ROYSTON AND VILLAGES COMMUNITY FORUM

to be held in the

## HARDWICKE HALL, ROYSTON TOWN HALL, SG8 7DA

On

WEDNESDAY, 24TH SEPTEMBER, 2025 AT 7.30 PM

Yours sincerely,

Isabelle Alajooz Director – Governance

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

### Agenda <u>Part I</u>

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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. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - GRANT APPLICATIONS

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To consider community grant applications for recommendation to the Executive Member for Governance.

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#### 4. PRESENTATION - BURLOES DEVELOPMENT

Presentation by Ian Keith (Vistry) and David Fletcher (Ceres Property), regarding planning application 24/01013/HYA.

#### 5. PRESENTATION - LOCAL GOVERNMENT REORGANISATION

(Pages 9

Presentation and Q&A on Local Government Reorganisation, by Cllr Daniel Allen, Leader of the Council.

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Information on the Local Government Reorganisation can be found in the links below.

- Help shape Hertfordshire's future have your say on changes to local government | North Herts Council
- Devolution and Local Government Reorganisation | North Herts
  Council

#### 6. COMMUNITY UPDATE

(Pages

To provide the Forum with an update to ensure Members are kept informed 11 - 12) of the work of the Community and Partnerships Team.

#### 7. ROYSTON TOWN COUNCIL

Presentation by Mayor Luke Haugh.

#### 8. HERTFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Presentation by the Leader of Hertfordshire County Council, Cllr Steve Jarvis.

#### 9. WARD MATTERS & OUTSIDE ORGANISATIONS

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

#### 10. OPEN DISCUSSION

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

#### 11. FUTURE AREA FORUMS

To discuss topics for future meetings.