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Our Ref Southern Rural Community Forum
11 June 2026
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To: Members of the Community Forum: Councillors Dominic Griffiths (Chair), Paul Ward (Vice-Chair), David Barnard, Joe Graziano, Caroline McDonnell, Ralph Muncer, Lisa Nash, Steven Patmore, Louise Peace, Vijaiya Poopalasingham, Claire Strong and Laura Williams

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN OF A

MEETING OF THE SOUTHERN RURAL COMMUNITY FORUM

to be held in the

**KNEBworth VILLAGE HALL, PARK LANE, KNEBworth,
SG3 6PD**

On

THURSDAY, 11TH JUNE, 2026 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 **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. ANNUAL SOUTHERN RURAL COMMUNITY FORUM MINUTES To approve the annual minutes of the 2024, 2025 and 2026 Southern Rural Community Forums.	(Pages 5 - 10)
4. PRESENTATION - NEW LOCAL PLAN SCOPING CONSULTATION Presentation on New Local Plan scoping consultation by North Herts Council's Planning Team followed by Q&A. Consultation runs from 11 May to 28 June 2026. Share your views on: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• How you would like to be involved in shaping the Local Plan• The key issues the Local Plan should address• What should be included in the overall vision for North Herts Full details, and how to take part in the consultation can be found here: https://www.north-herts.gov.uk/.../share-your-views-new...	
5. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - GRANT APPLICATIONS To consider community grant applications for recommendation to the Executive Member for Governance.	(Pages 11 - 22)
6. 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 23 - 24)
7. WARD MATTERS & OUTSIDE ORGANISATIONS	

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

8. **FUTURE COMMUNITY FORUMS**
To discuss topics for future meetings.