

NORTH HERTFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL



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Our Ref Southern Rural Community Forum
10 September 2026

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

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN OF A

MEETING OF THE SOUTHERN RURAL COMMUNITY FORUM

to be held in the

**HYBRID (VIRTUAL / COUNCIL CHAMBERS, COUNCIL
OFFICES, GERNON ROAD, LETCHWORTH GARDEN CITY, SG6
3JF)**

On

THURSDAY, 10TH SEPTEMBER, 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.	GREEN SPACE CONSULTATION Presentation on North Herts Council's green space consultation by North Herts Green Space Team followed by Q&A. Consultation runs from 6 July to 30 September 2026. Full details, and how to take part in the consultation can be found here: https://www.north-herts.gov.uk/news/have-your-say-north-herts-councils-green-spaces	(Pages 5 - 10)
4.	LOCAL GOVERNMENT REORGANISATION - WHAT IT MEANS FOR YOU Update and Q&A on Local Government Reorganisation. Information on the Local Government Reorganisation can be found here: Devolution and Local Government Reorganisation North Herts Council	
5.	NEW LOCAL PLAN UPDATE Update on New Local Plan by North Herts Council's Planning Team followed by Q&A.	
6.	PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - GRANT APPLICATIONS To consider community grant applications for recommendation to the Executive Member for Governance.	(Pages 11 - 22)
7.	COMMUNITY UPDATE To provide the Forum with an update to ensure Members are kept informed of the work of the Community Partnerships Team.	(Pages 23 - 24)

8. WARD MATTERS & OUTSIDE ORGANISATIONS

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

9. FUTURE COMMUNITY FORUMS

To discuss topics for future meetings.