

**NORTH HERTFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL**

**HITCHIN COMMUNITY FORUM**

**MEETING HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER - DISTRICT COUNCIL OFFICES, GERONON ROAD, LETCHWORTH, SG6 3JF  
ON THURSDAY, 21ST MAY, 2026 AT 7.30 PM**

**MINUTES**

**Present:** *Councillors: Ian Albert, Val Bryant, Jon Clayden, Sam Collins, Elizabeth Dennis, Keith Hoskins, Chris Lucas, Nigel Mason, Dave Winstanley, Donna Wright and Daniel Wright-Mason.*

**In Attendance:** *Robert Filby (Committee, Member and Scrutiny Officer) and James Lovegrove (Committee, Member and Scrutiny Manager).*

**1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

*Audio recording – 43 minutes 22 seconds*

*N.B. There is no separate audio recording of this meeting. Time stamps refer to the recording of Annual Council on the 21 May 2026.*

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Clare Billing.

**2 ELECTION OF A CHAIR FOR THE CIVIC YEAR 2026/27**

Councillor Nigel Mason proposed and Councillor Keith Hoskins seconded and, it was:

**RESOLVED:** That Councillor Ian Albert be elected as Chair of the Hitchin Community Forum for the Civic Year 2026-27.

**3 ELECTION OF A VICE-CHAIR FOR THE CIVIC YEAR 2026/27**

Councillor Ian Albert proposed and Councillor Donna Wright seconded and, it was:

**RESOLVED:** That Councillor Clare Billing be elected as Vice-Chair of the Hitchin Community Forum for the Civic Year 2026-27.

The meeting closed at 8.16 pm

Chair