## **Districtwide Community Updates**

- Co-ordinating various local and district wide Network Groups such as Youth Action, Food Provision, Arts and Culture and Green and Growing Group.
- A Wellbeing networking group has been established first meeting July 19<sup>th</sup>.
- Coordinating a project for the Cooperative Council's Innovation Network (CCIN) around how Arts & Culture can improve community cohesion and encourage vibrant town centres.
- Continuing to facilitate NHC Councillors' Community Surgeries.
- Sharing and disseminating information on social media and to mailing lists, keeping in touch with the community, voluntary, statutory and non-statutory agencies.
- Coordinating voluntary support response to Asylum Seekers based in North Herts.
- Working in partnership with the ground maintenance contractor John O'Conner, we're aiming for 'bee friendly' status for Letchworth, and if successful will roll out to other towns in the district 'Bee' part of it! | North Herts Council (north-herts.gov.uk)
- New Community Partnership Officer covering Baldock starting 10<sup>th</sup> July.

## Area Community Updates

- Facilitating a partnership project between Waste Not, Want Not and Keystage Housing to provide a community garden at the Lord Lister Hotel in Hitchin.
- Hitchin Festival July
- Hitchin Creative Day at Market Place July 1st
- The first day of the Hitchin Art Trail July 1st
- Chalking Churchgate at the Churchgate Shopping centre July 1st
- The World of Peter Rabbit<sup>™</sup> Storytime Trail at North Herts Museum
- Hitchin Eco Day July 15th
- Youth Showcase 2023 September 30th
- Afro-Carib Culture Fest Oct 7<sup>th</sup>
- 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of North Herts Minority Forum event Westmill Community Centre Oct