



OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Date: Tuesday, 15 September 2026

Time: 6.00pm,

Location: Council Chamber - Daneshill House, Danestrete

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Members: Councillors: Ellie Plater (Chair), Matthew Hurst CC (Vice-Chair),
Jim Brown, Andy McGuinness, Phil Bibby, Jeff Bullock,
Leanne Brady, Peter Clark, Claire Parris, Jackie Hollywell,
Ricki Rands, Jade Woods and Tom Wren

AGENDA

PART 1

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

2. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

To approve as a correct record the minutes of the meetings of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee held on 21 July 2026.

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3. PART I DECISION OF THE CABINET - GENERAL FUND MEDIUM TERM FINANCIAL STRATEGY UPDATE (2026/27 - 2030/31)

To consider the decision of the Cabinet to update Members on the General Fund Medium Term Financial Strategy (MTFS) and on the Fair Funding Agreement 2027/28-2028/29.

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4. PART I DECISION OF THE CABINET - HRA MEDIUM TERM FINANCIAL STRATEGY REVIEW

To consider the decision of the Cabinet to update Members on the Housing Revenue Account (HRA) Medium Term Financial Strategy (MTFS).

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5. PART I DECISION OF THE CABINET - 1ST QUARTER REVENUE AND CAPITAL MONITORING REPORT 2026/27 – GENERAL FUND AND HRA

To consider the decision of the Cabinet to update Members on the projected General Fund (GF), Housing Revenue Account (HRA) and Capital 2026/27 net expenditure and seek approval to amend the General Fund, HRA and Capital budgets as part of the quarterly revenue monitoring review.

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6. PART I DECISION OF THE CABINET - ANNUAL TREASURY MANAGEMENT REVIEW 2025/26 AND PRUDENTIAL INDICATORS

To consider the decision of the Cabinet to note the annual Treasury Management Report for 2025/26 and to approve the actual 2025/26 prudential and treasury indicators in the report.

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7. PART I DECISION OF THE CABINET - CORPORATE PERFORMANCE QUARTER 1 2026/27

To consider the decision of the Cabinet to receive a report highlighting the Council's performance across key priorities and projects for Quarter One 2026/27, following the approval of the new 2026/27 Corporate Performance Suite.

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8. PART I DECISION OF THE CABINET - HOUSING ANNUAL REPORT, ANNUAL COMPLAINTS SELF-ASSESSMENT AND SERVICE IMPROVEMENT REPORT 2025/26

To consider the decision of the Cabinet to review the Housing Complaints and Service Improvement Report 2024/25, and the annual self-assessment against the Housing Ombudsman's Complaint Handling Code.

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9. PART I DECISION OF THE CABINET - GSK RELOCATION UPDATE: IMPACT, RESPONSE AND OPTIONS

To consider the decision of the Cabinet regarding the Council's initial response to the announcement of the relocation of GSK, including engagement with GSK, Government, Hertfordshire partners, businesses and other stakeholders.

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10. URGENT PART I DECISIONS AUTHORISED BY THE CHAIR OF THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

To note the urgent Part I Decision authorised by the Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee

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11. URGENT PART I BUSINESS

To consider any Part I business accepted by the Chair as urgent

12. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

To consider the following motions:

1. That under Section 100(A) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as described

in paragraphs 1 – 7 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act as amended by Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006.

2. That Members consider the reasons for the following reports being in Part II and determine whether or not maintaining the exemption from disclosure of the information contained therein outweighs the public interest in disclosure.

13. PART II MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

To approve as a correct record the Part II Minutes of the meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee held on 21 July 2026

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14. PART II DECISION OF THE CABINET - WHOLLY OWNED COMPANIES UPDATE REPORT

To consider the decision of the Cabinet to update Members on the Council's subsidiary companies and those the Council has an interest in.

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15. PART II DECISION OF THE CABINET - COUNCIL TAX AND HOUSING RENT AND RECHARGEABLE DEBT WRITE OFFS GREATER THAN £10,000

To consider the decision of the Cabinet regarding a report writing off Council Tax debt deemed irrecoverable which is properly due to the Council and is more than £10,000.

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16. URGENT PART II DECISIONS AUTHORISED BY THE CHAIR OF THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

To consider any urgent Part II Decisions authorised by the Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee

17. URGENT PART II BUSINESS

To consider any Part II business accepted by the Chair as urgent