



A meeting of the **OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PANEL (ENVIRONMENT, COMMUNITIES AND PARTNERSHIPS)** will be held in **CIVIC SUITE, PATHFINDER HOUSE, ST MARY'S STREET, HUNTINGDON PE29 3TN** on **THURSDAY, 4 SEPTEMBER 2025** at **7:00 PM** and you are requested to attend for the transaction of the following business:-

AGENDA

APOLOGIES

1. MINUTES (Pages 5 - 8)

To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the Overview and Scrutiny Panel (Environment, Communities and Partnerships) meeting held on 10th July 2025.

Contact Officer: B Buddle
01480 388008

2. MEMBERS' INTERESTS

To receive from Members declarations as to disclosable pecuniary and other interests in relation to any Agenda item.

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3. OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY WORK PROGRAMME (Pages 9 - 22)

- a) The Panel are to receive the Overview and Scrutiny Work Programme and the Notice of Key Decisions 1st September 2025 to 31st December 2025
- b) Members to discuss future planning of items for the Work Programme
- c) To appoint members to a Council Tax Premiums Working Group

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4. BUILDING ENERGY STRATEGY (Pages 23 - 78)

The Panel is invited to comment on the Building Energy Strategy Report.

Executive Councillor: S Howell

Contact Officer: M Raby
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5. PAXTON PITS NATURE RESERVE EXTENSION OF LEASES (Pages 79 - 106)

The Panel is invited to comment on the Paxton Pits Nature Reserve Extension of Leases report.

Executive Councillor: J Kerr

Contact Officer: G Holland 01480 388157

6. RIGHT TO GROW POLICY REVIEW (Pages 107 - 130)

The Panel is invited to discuss the Right to Grow Policy Review Report and to reflect on which strategic elements, if any, could be advanced for inclusion in the Council's Corporate Plan and Medium Term Financial Strategy.

Executive Councillor: J Kerr

Contact Officer: A Rogan
01480 388082

27 day of August 2025

Michelle Sacks

Chief Executive and Head of Paid
Service

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