

A meeting of the **OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PANEL (ENVIRONMENT, COMMUNITIES AND PARTNERSHIPS)** will be held in **LANCASTER & STIRLING, CIVIC SUITE, PATHFINDER HOUSE, ST MARY'S STREET, HUNTINGDON, PE29 3TN** on **THURSDAY, 5 MARCH 2026** at **7:00 PM** and you are requested to attend for the transaction of the following business:-

AGENDA

APOLOGIES AND SUBSTITUTES

1. MINUTES (Pages 5 - 10)

To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the Overview and Scrutiny Panel (Environment, Communities and Partnerships) meeting held on 5th February 2026.

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 11 - 24)

- a) The Panel are to receive the Overview and Scrutiny Work Programme
- b) Members to discuss future planning of items for the Work Programme

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01480 388008

4. PARKS AND OPEN SPACE COMMERCIAL SUSTAINABILITY PLAN (Pages 25 - 192)

The Panel is invited to comment on the Parks and Open Spaces Commercial Sustainability Plan.

Executive Councillor: J Kerr

**Contact Officer: G Holland
01480 388157**

5. SIGNING OF THE HUNTINGDONSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL ARMED FORCES COVENANT (Pages 193 - 206)

The Panel is invited to comment on the Signing of the Huntingdonshire District Council Armed Forces Covenant Report.

Executive Councillor: S Conboy

**Contact Officer: A Turner
07810 637566**

6. LOCAL AREA ENERGY PLAN 2025/26 (Pages 207 - 220)

The Panel is invited to comment on and note the contents of the report.

Executive Councillor: L Davenport-Ray

**Contact Officer: H Robinson
01480 388388**

7. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

To resolve:-

that the public be excluded from the meeting because the business to be transacted contains exempt information relating to the financial and business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information).

Contact Officer:

8. AWARD OF CONTRACTS FOR THE PUBLIC ADVICE AND INFORMATION SERVICE AND INFRASTRUCTURE AND SUPPORT TO THE VOLUNTARY AND COMMUNITY SECTOR (Pages 221 - 230)

The Panel is invited to comment on the Award of Contracts for the Public Advice and Information Service and Infrastructure and Support to the Voluntary and Community Sector Report.

Executive Councillor: S Howell

**Contact Officer: C Deeth
01480 388233**

25 day of February 2026

Michelle Sacks

Chief Executive and Head of Paid Service

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Please contact Mrs Beccy Buddle, Democratic Services Officer (Scrutiny), Tel No: 01480 388008/e-mail Beccy.Buddle@huntingdonshire.gov.uk if you have a general query on any Agenda Item, wish to tender your apologies for absence from the meeting, or would like information on any decision taken by the Committee/Panel.

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