A meeting of the **CORPORATE GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE** will be held in the **CIVIC SUITE (LANCASTER/STIRLING ROOMS), PATHFINDER HOUSE, ST MARY'S STREET, HUNTINGDON, CAMBS, PE29 3TN** on **WEDNESDAY, 18 NOVEMBER 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 7 - 14)

   To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 16th September 2026.

   Contact Officer: Democratic Services - (01480) 388169

2. **MEMBERS' INTERESTS**

   To receive from Members declarations as to disclosable pecuniary, other registerable and non-registerable interests in relation to any Agenda item. See Notes below.

   Contact Officer: Democratic Services - (01480) 388169

3. **CODE OF CONDUCT COMPLAINTS - ANNUAL UPDATE** (Pages 15 - 24)

   To receive a report providing a summary and update of completed or ongoing complaints received regarding alleged breaches of the Code of Conduct under the Localism Act 2011 since the start of the year.

   Contact Officer: L Jablonska
   (01480) 388004

4. **ANNUAL REPORT OF COMPLAINTS & FEEDBACK** (Pages 25 - 38)

   To receive a report providing an overview of complaints, compliments and Ombudsman activity for the period April 2025 to March 2026, together with an update on the changes made to support compliance with the LGSCO Complaints Handling Code.

Contact Officer: L Sboui (01480) 388032
M Greet (01480) 388707

5. **ANNUAL REPORT ON HDC COMPLIANCE WITH THE INFORMATION RIGHTS ACTS (FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT, ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION REGULATIONS AND UK GDPR) AND INFORMATION GOVERNANCE** (Pages 39 - 50)

To receive a report providing an update on Information Governance activity and performance during 2025-26 and highlighting any issues encountered and actions to be undertaken to improve performance.

Contact Officer: A Brown
07849 700855

6. **AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION - COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULES, CALL-IN AND PLANNING PROCEDURE** (Pages 51 - 86)

To consider a report by the Interim Monitoring Officer on proposed changes to the Constitution.

Contact Officer: L Gardner
(01480) 388764

7. **CORPORATE RISK REGISTER**

To receive a report presenting an update on the Council's Corporate Risk Register.

Contact Officer: L Morrison
(01480) 388178

8. **LGR RISK REGISTER** (Pages 87 - 100)

To receive a report presenting the approach being taken to identify, access and manage risks associated with Local Government Reorganisation (LGR).

Contact Officer: C Oliphant
(01480) 388733

9. **INTERNAL AUDIT PROGRESS REPORT** (Pages 101 - 122)

To receive a report providing an update of the work of the Internal Audit Service since the last meeting and progress against the Internal Audit Plan 2026/27 that was approved by the Committee on 18th March 2026.

Contact Officer: L Morrison
(01480) 388178

10. INTERNAL AUDIT ACTIONS UPDATE (Pages 123 - 152)

To receive a report setting out the current position with respect to implementation of actions arising from Internal Audit reports.

Contact Officer: L Morrison
(01480) 388178

11. CORPORATE GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE PROGRESS REPORT (Pages 153 - 154)

To receive the Corporate Governance Committee Progress Report and Future Work.

Contact Officer: Democratic Services - (01480) 388169

10 day of November 2026

Michelle Sacks

Chief Executive and Head of Paid Service

Disclosable Pecuniary Interests and other Registerable and Non-Registerable Interests.

Further information on Disclosable Pecuniary Interests and other Registerable and Non-Registerable Interests is available in the Council's Constitution

Filming, Photography and Recording (including Live Streaming) at Council Meetings

This meeting will be filmed for live and/or subsequent broadcast on the Council's YouTube site. The whole of the meeting will be filmed, except where there are confidential or exempt items. If you make a representation to the meeting you will be deemed to have consented to being filmed. By entering the meeting you are also consenting to being filmed and to the possible use of those images and sound recordings for webcasting and/or training purposes. If you have any queries regarding the streaming of Council meetings, please contact Democratic Services on 01480 388169.

The District Council also permits filming, recording and the taking of photographs at its meetings that are open to the public. Arrangements for these activities should operate in accordance with guidelines agreed by the Council.

Please contact Democratic Services, Tel: (01480) 388169 / email: Democratic.Services@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.

Specific enquiries with regard to items on the Agenda should be directed towards the Contact Officer.

Members of the public are welcome to attend this meeting as observers except during consideration of confidential or exempt items of business.

Agenda and enclosures can be viewed on the District Council's website.

Emergency Procedure

In the event of the fire alarm being sounded and on the instruction of the Meeting Administrator, all attendees are requested to vacate the building via the closest emergency exit.

Attending Council and Committee Meetings

Huntingdonshire District Council welcomes members of the public to attend meetings that are open to the public.

Members of the public may attend, film, photograph, and report on meetings that are open to the public. *

In some circumstances, a meeting may resolve to exclude the public and press to consider confidential or exempt information. Where this occurs, members of the public and press will be asked to leave the meeting room for that part of the meeting.

Most public meetings are webcast live, and recordings are available afterwards. This means you do not need to attend in person to follow proceedings.

The council permits public speaking at the Development Management Committee (planning) meetings.

View further information about **public speaking at Development Management Committees [PDF, 0.5MB]**

The council permits public questions at full council meetings. View further information about **submitting a question [PDF, 0.1MB]**.

Public access and seating

Meetings that are open to the public can be attended by anyone.
Seating in public areas is limited. Where demand exceeds the number of seats available, admission will be managed on a first-come, first-served basis, with priority given in the following order:

1. People who live, work or own property within the Huntingdonshire District
2. Other interested members of the public.

This means that attendees within each priority group will be admitted in the order they arrive, subject to the number of seats available.

Reserved seating

Council Meetings - If you have registered in advance to ask a public question at a meeting of Full Council in accordance with the Council's **Constitution [PDF, 1.5MB]**, a seat will be reserved for you.

Development Management, Licensing and Other Regulatory Hearings - If you have registered to speak or make representations in relation to an application or matter being considered by the Committee, a seat will be reserved for you.

You do not need to arrive early to secure your place.

When seating is full

Once all public seats are occupied, no further admission will be possible.
Standing is not permitted in meeting rooms. Additional seating cannot normally be provided, except where required as a reasonable adjustment for accessibility needs, including carers or support workers.
For meetings of the Development Management Committee, Licensing Committee and other regulatory hearings, priority will be given to applicants, objectors, registered speakers and other parties directly involved in agenda items.

Arrival, sign-in and security

All visitors must sign in on arrival.

If attendance is expected to exceed capacity, you may be asked to provide evidence that you live, work or own property within the Huntingdonshire District so that seating priority can be allocated fairly. In these circumstances, we would request a photographic ID and evidence of your address or work premises
We recommend bringing only essential items.

Bags and personal belongings may be subject to security checks. Where necessary, security staff may also conduct further searches.

These arrangements apply equally to all public attending and are intended to help ensure meetings can take place safely and without disruption.

Any personal information collected as part of the sign-in process will be used only for meeting management and safety purposes in accordance with the **Council's Privacy Notice**. Information will be retained no longer than is necessary.

Items not permitted

- Placards, banners, flags or similar items
- Knives, scissors or other sharp objects
- Whistles, air horns, loudhailers or other noise-making devices
- Bottles or other containers containing liquids, except drinking water intended for personal use during the meeting

- Any item that security staff reasonably believe could compromise safety or disrupt the meeting.

If you wish to bring large or specialist equipment into the meeting, such as recording equipment, please contact **Democratic Services** in advance via email to help avoid delays when entering the meeting.

Behaviour at meetings

Everyone attending a meeting is expected to treat others with courtesy and respect. Any form of verbal or physical abuse will not be tolerated. Anyone presenting such behaviour will be asked to leave immediately.

Accessibility

If you have any accessibility requirements, it would be helpful to contact **Democratic Services** before the meeting so we can fully support you.

Speaking at a meeting or asking a question

Members of the public may ask questions at meetings of Full Council.

Members of the public may also speak or make representations at meetings of the Development Management Committee, Licensing Committee, and other regulatory hearings where public participation arrangements apply.

Please note that this must be arranged in advance in accordance with the Council's Constitution.

Feedback

If you have concerns about how these arrangements were applied at a meeting, please contact **Democratic Services**.

Legal framework

*Public access to meetings, and the right to film, photograph, record and report proceedings, are governed by legislation including the Local Government Act 1972, Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012, Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014 and Openness of Local Government Bodies Regulations 2014.