

Agenda

Housing, Health and Communities Committee Meeting

Date: Tuesday, 20 January 2026

Time 7.00 pm

Venue: Council Chamber, Swale House, East Street, Sittingbourne, ME10 3HT

Membership:

Councillors Lloyd Bowen, Hayden Brawn, Derek Carnell, Ann Cavanagh, Kieran Golding, Alastair Gould, Angela Harrison (Vice-Chair), Peter MacDonald, Peter Marchington, Ben J Martin, Pete Neal, Tom Nundy, Hannah Perkin (Chair), Carrie Pollard and Karen Watson.

Quorum = 5

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- 2. Apologies for Absence
 - 3. Minutes

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 - 4. Declarations of Interest

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 - 5. Matters Arising

Update from the Chair on any matters from the previous meeting or upcoming agenda items relating to this committee.
 - 6. Chairs Briefing
 - 7. Questions for the Police and Crime Panel

Items for Noting

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| 14. | Exclusion of the Press and Public | |

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3. Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information).

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