HAVERHILL TOWN COUNCIL

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Dear Councillor,

You are hereby summoned to attend the meeting of Haverhill Town Council to be held at the Haverhill Arts Centre, High Street, Haverhill, on Monday, 24 November 2025 commencing at 7.00pm for the purpose of transacting the following business:

CONSTITUTION: Town Mayor: Q Cox

Town Councillors: A Brown, J Burns, J Crooks, B Davidson,

P Firman, P Hanlon, A Luccarini, M Martin, J Mason, L Miller-Jones, D Page, D Smith,

L Smith, A Stinchcombe, J Teixeira.

THIS MEETING IS OPEN TO THE PRESS AND PUBLIC TO ATTEND IN PERSON:

To Register: email town.clerk@haverhill-tc.gov.uk

YOUTUBE: The meeting may be live-streamed, if so, it will be on the following channel:

https://youtube.com/live/fFDLtK9O7QU?feature=share

AGENDA

1. Apologies for absence

Please give any apologies by email or telephone by 5.00pm of the day of the meeting.

- 2. <u>Declaration of interests and requests for Dispensations</u>
 - a) For members to declare any interests they may have on items on the agenda and agree any dispensations to stay.
 - b) Disclosable Pecuniary Interests
 - c) Other Registrable Interests
 - d) Non-Registrable Interests
- 3. Minutes of the Meetings of the Town Council held Monday, 27 October 2025

To confirm the minutes of the council meeting held Monday, 27 October 2025, as a true record.

- 4. To note progress of actions arising from the minutes not covered by this agenda
- 5. Reports from District/County Councillors on issues pertinent to HAVERHILL and the PUBLIC FORUM
 - a) Police Report: Inspector Matt Paisley
 - John French, Modern Slavery Advisor Raids on shops in Haverhill
 - b) Ambulance Report
 - c) County Councillors
 - d) District Councillors
 - e) Town Councillors' matters to report

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f) Members of the public are welcome to make statements or put questions at this time.

6. Mayor's Report

To receive a report from the Mayor.

7. **ONE Haverhill Partnership**

- a) Report from the Clerk
- b) Board meeting report
- c) Wellbeing Hub update

8. <u>Financial Matters</u>

a) To authorise the payment list:

Date	BACS/DD	Value £
22/10/2025	BACS/CARD	£4,516.38
	DD	£2,048.48
28/10/2025	BACS/CARD	£13,689.97
	DD	£829.54
11/11/2025	BACS/CARD	£84,054.86
	DD	£1,077.02
	Total	£106,216.25

- b) to note that council insurances have been reviewed by the RFO and placed with Hiscox via Gallaghers insurance brokers for the Town Council. The Soft Play centre remains with DOA through David J Miller insurance brokers.
- c) To consider adopting the RFO's working document as the first draft budget for 2026/27. (to follow).
- d) To review the grant policy (attached).

9. <u>Consultation on Proposed Changes to the West Suffolk Local Council Tax Reduction</u> <u>Scheme 2026 to 2027</u>

To approve draft response to the consultation (attached).

10. **Grant Applications**

a. Local History Museum £2,995.00

To consider commissioning a joint project between HTC and the Local History Museum to create the first Trail Tale in Suffolk. Funding to come from underspend in administration costs. https://trailtale.co.uk/find-our-trails/

b. Abbeycroft Leisure

To consider a grant of £4,000.28 towards the Explore Outdoors two half term programmes, Family Park Cooking and Adventure Days.

11. Adoption of Committee Reports

- a) <u>Leisure:</u> To move the adoption of the minutes of the meeting held 11th November 2025 and any recommendations contained therein (to follow).
- b) <u>Planning Committee:</u> To move the adoption of the minutes of the meeting held 17th November 2025 and any recommendations contained therein (attached).

12. Date of Next Meeting

Monday, 15 December 2025

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13. Exclusion of Press and Public

To resolve that under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the public and representatives of the press and broadcast media be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the following items of business as publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted – approval of council plans to be published in due course.

14. <u>Vision 2030</u>

To approve £5,000 towards the cost of a business plan for the project.

15. Closure

Colin Poole

Haverhill Town Clerk Date: Tuesday, 18 November 2025

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