

# Agenda

## Western Area Committee Meeting

Date: Thursday, 31 August 2023

Time 7.00 pm

Venue: Bredgar Village Hall, Bexon Lane, Sittingbourne, Kent ME9 8HB

Membership:

Councillors Mike Baldock, Monique Bonney, Ann Cavanagh (Vice-Chair), Lloyd Chapman, Roger Clark, James Hunt, Chris Palmer, Richard Palmer, Paul Stephen (Chair) and Sarah Stephen.

Quorum = 3

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4. Minutes

To approve the [Minutes](#) of the Meeting held on 8 June 2023 (Minute Nos.75– 86) as a correct record.

5. Bredgar and Hartlip Conservation Area Reviews

6. Parking Policy

7. Public Forum

8. Corporate Plan update

9. Matters arising from previous meetings

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10. Local issues to be raised

11. Matters referred to Area Committee by Service Committees
12. Matters referred to Service Committee Chairs for consideration

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