

# Agenda

## **Policy and Resources Committee Meeting**

Date: Wednesday, 10 September 2025

Time 7.00 pm

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

### Membership:

Councillors Mike Baldock, Lloyd Bowen (Vice-Chair), Charles Gibson, Tim Gibson (Chair), Angela Harrison, James Hunt, Elliott Jayes, Mark Last, Rich Lehmann, Ben J Martin, Kieran Mishchuk, Richard Palmer, Julien Speed, Ashley Wise and Dolley Wooster.

Quorum = 5

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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.

## **Items for Noting**

- 6. Recommendations from the Planning and Transportation Policy Working 5 6 Group Meeting held on 15 July 2025
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	To decide whether to pass the resolution set out below in respect of the following item:	
	That under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 3.	
	3. Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information.	
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