



Needham Market Town Council

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Town Clerk/RFO: Georgina de Cova

Assistant Clerk: Jessica Green

You are hereby summoned to a Meeting of the Governance and Finance Committee of Needham Market Town Council which will be held on Tuesday 6th October 2026 at 7PM in the Green Room at Needham Market Community Centre, to consider the items on the agenda below.

Georgina de Cova

Town Clerk/RFO

AGENDA

1. To receive and approve Apologies of Absence
2. To receive any Declarations of Pecuniary or Non-Pecuniary Interests by Members
3. To approve any Dispensations with respect to Disclosable Non-Pecuniary Interests
4. To receive and confirm the Minutes of the Governance and Finance Committee meeting held on **4th August 2026**
5. To discuss matters arising from previous meetings minutes
6. To receive questions from any members of the public present
An opportunity to enable members of the press and public present to comment.

Order Note: A maximum of 30 minutes is designated for public participation time with no individual speaker exceeding three minutes unless otherwise granted an extension by the Chairman.

7. To receive a report from the Town Clerk/RFO





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8. To consider a proposal from the Community Centre relating to Office Accommodation, and agree any recommendations to Full Town Council
9. To discuss findings from the External Audit, and agree any recommendations to Full Town Council
10. Update on Governance and Finance Arrangements
 - a. To monitor the Council's approved Budget **2026/27** against actual expenditure
 - b. Review of the Council's Financial Management Procedures
 - c. Review of Council's Community Infrastructure Levy priorities and expenditure
 - d. Review of Council's policies
 - e. Review of the Council's Risk Assessment
 - f. Review of the Council's Reserves Position
 - g. Review of the Council's Investment Strategy
11. To consider for recommendation to Town Council a Tree Management Policy
12. To review a draft budget for the 2027/28 year
13. To consider items for inclusion for the 2027/28 budget
14. To receive an update on the Register of Interests for Councillors
15. To scrutinise any matters referred from, or to, The Council's Community and Assets Committee and/or Planning Committee
16. Matters to be raised by members

This is an opportunity for members to raise any matters for consideration for future committee meetings. Please note this is not an opportunity for discussion or debate
17. To confirm the Date, Time and Location of the next Governance and Finance Committee Meeting.

Members of the Public are welcome to attend the meeting.

