



East Cambridgeshire District Council

Meeting: Finance & Assets Committee

Time: 4:30pm

Date: Thursday 24 September 2026

Venue: Council Chamber, The Grange, Nutholt Lane, Ely, CB7 4EE

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Committee membership

Quorum: 5 members

Conservative members

Cllr Anna Bailey
Cllr Lee Denney
Cllr Mark Goldsack (Vice-Chair)
Cllr Bill Hunt
Cllr David Miller
Cllr Alan Sharp (Chair)

Conservative substitutes

Cllr Ian Bovingdon
Cllr Martin Goodearl
Cllr Julia Huffer

Liberal Democrat & Independent members

Cllr Chika Akinwale
Cllr Kathrin Holtzmann
Cllr Mary Wade
Cllr Alison Whelan (Lead Member)
Cllr Christine Whelan

Liberal Democrat & Independent substitutes

Cllr Charlotte Cane
Cllr Christine Colbert
Cllr John Trapp

Lead Officer: Sally Bonnett, Director Community

Agenda

- 1. Public question time** **[oral]**
The meeting will commence with up to 15 minutes of public question time.
- 2. Apologies and substitutions** **[oral]**
- 3. Declarations of interests** **[oral]**
To receive declarations of interests from Members for any items on the agenda in accordance with the Members Code of Conduct.

4. Minutes	To confirm as a correct record the minutes of the meeting of the Finance & Assets Committee held on 25 June 2026	Page 1
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Exclusion of the public, including representatives of the press

That the press and public be excluded during the consideration of the remaining items because it is likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that if members of the public were present during the items there would be disclosure to them of exempt information of Categories 1 and 3 of Part I Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended).

- 18. EXEMPT – ECTC Management Accounts**
- 19. EXEMPT – Write-off of Unrecoverable Debts**
- 20. EXEMPT - Minutes – 25 June 2026**

To confirm as a correct record the Exempt Minutes of the meeting of the Finance & Assets Committee held on 25 June 2026

Notes

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2. Public Questions/Statements are welcomed on any topic related to the Committee's functions as long as there is no suspicion that it is improper (for example, offensive, slanderous or might lead to disclosures of Exempt or Confidential information). Up to 15 minutes is allocated for this at the start of the meeting.

[Further details about the Public Question Time scheme](#)
(www.eastcambs.gov.uk/committees/public-question-time-scheme).

3. The Council has adopted a ‘Purge on Plastics’ strategy and is working towards the removal of all consumer single-use plastics in our workplace. Therefore, we do not provide disposable cups in our building or at our meetings and ask members of the public to bring their own drinks if required.
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The Committee Officer will sweep the area to ensure that everyone is out.

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7. If the Committee wishes to exclude the public and press from the meeting, a resolution in the following terms will need to be passed:

“That the press and public be excluded during the consideration of the remaining item no(s). X because it is likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that if members of the public were present during the item(s) there would be disclosure to them of exempt information of Category X of Part I Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended).”
