

Agenda for Overview Committee

Thursday, 26th March, 2026, 6.00 pm



Members of Overview Committee

Councillors: A Bailey, B Bailey, K Bloxham, B Collins, R Collins, T Dumper (Vice-Chair), P Fernley, A Hall (Chair), M Hall, M Hartnell, J Heath, Y Levine, D Mackinder, H Riddell and D Wilson

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- 1 Minutes of the previous meeting held on 22 January 2026 (Pages 3 - 5)
- 2 Apologies
- 3 Declarations of interest
Guidance is available online to Councillors and co-opted members on making [declarations of interest](#).
- 4 Public Speaking
Information on [public speaking](#) is available online.
- 5 Matters of urgency
Information on [matters of urgency](#) is available online.
- 6 Confidential/exempt item(s)
To agree any items to be dealt with after the public (including press) have been excluded. There is one item that officers recommend should be dealt with in this way.
- 7 Work Programme 2025 - 2026 (Pages 6 - 24)
 - i) To receive the Overview Committee Work Programme 2025 – 2026
 - ii) To consider the Cabinet Forward Plan; would the Committee wish to receive a report on key decisions prior to Cabinet?
 - iii) To consider a proposal form submitted by Cllr Anne Hall and Cllr Matt Hall: Preventative maintenance of trees in high amenity use area and another policy for tree maintenance of trees in EDDC controlled social housing
 - iv) To consider a proposal form submitted by Cllr Paula Fernley: Community Action Groups Devon update

8 Public Toilets programme review options appraisal (Pages 25 - 41)

Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985 – Exclusion of Press and Public

The Vice-Chair to move the following:

That under Section 100(A) (4) of the Local Government Act 1972 the public (including the press) be excluded from the meeting as exempt information, of the description set out in the agenda is likely to be disclosed and on balance the public interest is in discussing these items in private session (Part B).

Part B

Options Appraisal March 2026

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