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Tuesday 3 February 2026

## **Notice of Meeting**

Dear Member

### **Environment and Climate Change Scrutiny Panel**

The **Environment and Climate Change Scrutiny Panel** will meet in the **Council Chamber - Town Hall, Huddersfield** at **2.00 pm** on **Wednesday 11 February 2026**.

This meeting will be live webcast. To access the webcast please go to the Council's website at the time of the meeting and follow the instructions on the page.

The items which will be discussed are described in the agenda and there are reports attached which give more details.

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**Samantha Lawton**  
**Service Director – Legal, Governance and Commissioning**

Kirklees Council advocates openness and transparency as part of its democratic processes. Anyone wishing to record (film or audio) the public parts of the meeting should inform the Chair/Clerk of their intentions prior to the meeting.

## **The Panel members are:-**

### **Member**

Councillor Andrew Cooper (Chair)

Councillor Musarrat Khan

Councillor David Longstaff

Councillor Matthew McLoughlin

Councillor Will Simpson

Councillor John Taylor

Kevin Evans (Co-Optee)

# Agenda

## Reports or Explanatory Notes Attached

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**Pages**

**1: Membership of the Panel**

To receive apologies for absence from those Members who are unable to attend the meeting.

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**2: Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

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To approve the Minutes of the meeting of the Panel held on 7<sup>th</sup> January 2026

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**3: Declaration of Interests**

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Members will be asked to say if there are any items on the Agenda in which they have any disclosable pecuniary interests or any other interests, which may prevent them from participating in any discussion of the items or participating in any vote upon the items.

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**4: Admission of the Public**

Most agenda items take place in public. This only changes where there is a need to consider exempt information, as contained at Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972. You will be informed at this point which items are to be recommended for exclusion and to be resolved by the Panel.

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**5: Deputations/Petitions**

The Panel will receive any petitions and/or deputations from members of the public. A deputation is where up to five people can attend the meeting and make a presentation on some particular issue of concern. A member of the public can also submit a petition at the meeting relating to a matter on which the body has powers and responsibilities.

In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 10, Members of the

Public must submit a deputation in writing, at least three clear working days in advance of the meeting and shall subsequently be notified if the deputation shall be heard. A maximum of four deputations shall be heard at any one meeting.

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## **6: Public Question Time**

To receive any public questions.

In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 11, the period for the asking and answering of public questions shall not exceed 15 minutes.

Any questions must be submitted in writing at least three clear working days in advance of the meeting.

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## **7: Annual Review of Flood Risk Management Activities**

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The Panel will consider the report 'Annual Review of Flood Risk Management Activities'.

Contacts:

Paul Farndale, Strategic Partnership Lead for Flood Management and Drainage

Mathias Franklin, Head of Planning & Development

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## **8: White Rose Forest Delivery and Kirklees Woodland Creation Update**

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The Panel will consider the presentations, 'White Rose Forest Delivery' and 'Kirklees Woodland Creation.'

Contacts:

Iwan Downey, Programme Director (White Rose Forest)

Joe Robertson, Woodland Development Manager

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## **9: Work Programme 2025/2026**

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The Panel will consider its Work Programme for 2025/26

Contact:

Jodie Harris, Principal Governance and Democratic Engagement  
Officer

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