

PLANNING ADVISORY AND HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Planning Advisory and Highways Committee held on Tuesday 1st April 2025 in the Cowie Room, Public Hall.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Cllr Gillings (Chairman), Cllr Dawkins, Cllr Gunning, Cllr Turner and Christine Bright (Town Clerk).

2243 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Cllr Anderton, Cllr Body and Cllr Tuff.

2244 MINUTES OF THE PLANNING ADVISORY & HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 4TH MARCH 2025

Members having previously been circulated with the minutes of the Planning Advisory & Highway Committee meeting held on 4th March 2025 were confirmed and signed by the chairman as a correct record.

2245 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were received.

2246 PLANNING ISSUES

(a) To CONSIDER the following PLANNING APPLICATIONS:

P/HOU/2025/01204	36 CHURCH STREET
	Take down and rebuild chimney above
	ridge height.

Recommend approval.

2. P/LBC/2025/01205 36 CHURCH STREET

Take down and rebuild chimney above Ridge height.

Recommend approval.

3. P/HOU/2025/01294 OLD SCHOOL HOUSE, 9 SCHOOL HOUSE

CLOSE

Demolish conservatory and erect single storey extension; formation of 1 additional car parking space and erect glazed gazebo in garden; proposed solar PV array.

Recommend approval.

4. P/TRT/2025/01476

8 MILLFIELD

T1 Elder – prune lower branches at edge of lawn area by 5m

Recommend approval.

(b) To **NOTE** the following **PLANNING APPROVALS:**

1. P/HOU/2024/07602

1 THE ORCHARD, NEWTOWN

Replace existing thatched roof with slate roof and installation of eighteen solar PV panels. Installation of underground water harvesting tank.

Granted with 4 conditions.

2. P/HOU/2025/00108

4 CHAMPIONS GARDENS

Conversion of side entrance hall into a utility room; replacement of two external doors with windows; replacement of kitchen window with French doors; installation of solar PV panels; replacement flat roof with rooflight; internal alterations.

Granted with 2 conditions.

(c) PLANNING REFUSALS

No planning refusals have been received. NOTED

2247 CORRESPONDENCE

No items of correspondence received. **NOTED**

2248 PUBLIC TRANSPORT

(a) Minutes of the CB3 Management Committee meeting held on 10th March 2025 (attached)

The Committee NOTED the minutes of the CB3 Management Committee meeting held on 10th

March 2025.

The Town Clerk was asked to obtain quotations from two garages with regard to a service contract and safety inspections for consideration at a future meeting.

2249 HIGHWAYS ISSUES

(a) Path alongside BT exchange

Cllr Gunning drew attention to the poor condition of the boundary fence adjoining the path that ran alongside the BT property at Southgate. The Town Clerk was asked to inform BT.

2250 ROAD SAFETY ISSUES

(a) 20mph application

No further update pending Stage 2: Public Consultation.

(b) Pedestrian Crossing Clay Lane

Members **NOTED** an update from Cllr Monks in which he had advised Dorset Council officers had agreed to carry out a reassessment of Clay Lane in order to evaluate the site and explore feasible options.

2251 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Members **NOTED** a Steering Group meeting had been scheduled for Wednesday 2nd April.

2252 PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY

(a) Proposed diversion of part of Bridlepath 80 & proposed extinguishment of part of Footpath

The Chairman advised at a recent Councillors surgery session he attended concern had been expressed by a member of the public with regard to the loss of an ancient Holloway should the proposals be granted. The application currently sat with the Secretary of State and he enquired whether the Town Council would consider withdrawing their previous support for the diversion and extinguishment.

Members had previously been circulated with a paper prepared by the resident summarising the details of the application and reference to recent public interest in Holloways. Following discussion, in light of the information received members **AGREED** to withdraw any previous support to the application.

2253 COMMUNITY RESILIENCE

Members **NOTED** the scheduled meeting for Monday 17th March with Dorset Council members/officers had been postponed due to a bereavement., the meeting would be rescheduled for May.

2254 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next Planning Advisory & Highways Committee meeting is scheduled to take place on Tuesday 6th May 2025.

2255 THE MEETING

The meeting which began at 7.00pm was concluded at 7.40pm

Chairman 6th May 2025