

PLANNING ADVISORY AND HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Planning Advisory and Highways Committee held on Tuesday 6th May 2025 in the Skyrm Room, Public Hall.

Four residents of those present spoke in connection with the two planning applications for land east of Bowgrove Farm expressing their concerns with regard to the impact the proposals would have on the area, including the volume of traffic accessing the site via Fleet Street.

2256 MEMBERS PRESENT: Cllr Gillings (Chairman), Cllr Dawkins, Cllr Gunning, Cllr Tuff, Cllr Turner, Cllr Watts and Christine Bright (Town Clerk); also 20 members of the public.

2257 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Dorset Councillor Craig Monks.

MINUTES OF THE PLANNING ADVISORY & HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 1ST APRIL 2258 2025

Members having previously been circulated with the minutes of the Planning Advisory & Highway Committee meeting held on 1st April 2025 were confirmed and signed by the chairman as a correct record.

2259 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

No declarations of interest were received.

2260 PLANNING ISSUES

To **CONSIDER** the following **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**: (a)

1.	P/FUL/2025/02220 Recommend approval.	6 NORTH STREET Demolish existing brick boiler house chimney, install new flues and carry out alterations to boiler room
2.	P/FUL/23025/01295	LAND EAST OF BOWGROVE ROAD

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Siting of a temporary agricultural workers dwelling (self build movable Shepherds Hut) to aid in the set up of a new rural enterprise.

Recommend Refusal on the grounds that:

- The site lies within and AONB, in a rural setting with access via narrow lanes
- the application did not demonstrate an 'essential' need for accommodation at the site, it is not intended to graze livestock

- The site does not have mains water, the supply to the site is proposed via a bore hole and concern was expressed with regard to the impact on the supply to this site and neighbouring properties particularly given the nature of the business
- 3. P/FUL/2025/01296

LAND EAST OF BOWGROVE ROAD

Erection of a multi-purpose barn, 2 x polytunnels and propagation greenhouse for use as part of a new agricultural/horticultural business.

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Dorset Councillor Craig Monks joined the meeting.

(b) To NOTE the following PLANNING APPROVALS:

1. P/TRT/2025/01476

8 MILLFIELD

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

Granted with two conditions.

2. P/HOU/2025/01204

36 CHURCH STREET

Take down and rebuild chimney above ridge height.

Granted with two conditions.

3. P/LBC/2025/01205

36 CHURCH STREET

Take down and rebuild chimney above ridge height.

Granted with three conditions.

(c) PLANNING REFUSALS

No planning refusals have been received. NOTED

2261 CORRESPONDENCE

(a) Abri Housing Association

Correspondence had been received from the developer of the site off Cockroad Lane inviting the Council to consider appropriate street names for the development. No suggestions were put forward at the meeting, the Chairman asked that members submit proposals to the Town Clerk.

2262 PUBLIC TRANSPORT

(a) Minutes of the CB3 Management Committee meeting held on 14th April 2025 (attached) The Committee NOTED the minutes of the CB3 Management Committee meeting held on 14th April 2025.

(b) Dorset Council – CR6 Saturday Service

Members **NOTED** that registration documents had been submitted to the Traffic Commissioner by Dorset Council in respect of enhancements to the CR6 service to include Saturdays.

2263 HIGHWAYS ISSUES

The Town Clerk was asked to report the following issues to Dorset Council:

- Potholes and poor condition of Shorts Lane
- Farm vehicles were damaging the public right of way causing erosion of the edges that were dropping into the river.

2264 ROAD SAFETY ISSUES

(a) 20mph application

The Town Clerk reported an update received from Dorset Council indicated the application having reached Phase 3 of the process would now move to Phase 2 – Public Consultation however due to timescales it would be unwise to proceed further until a delivery timeframe had been established. A further update would be issued in due course.

(b) Pedestrian Crossing Clay Lane

No further update as to timing of the surveys etc. NOTED

2265 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

(a) Minutes of the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group meeting held on Wednesday 2nd April 2025

The Committee **NOTED** the minutes of the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group meeting held on 2nd April 2025.

2266 PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY

No items were raised.

2267 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 had been rescheduled for 21st May.

2268 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next Planning Advisory & Highways Committee meeting is scheduled to take place on Tuesday 3rd June 2025.

2269 THE MEETING

The meeting which began at 7.15pm was concluded at 8.15pm

Chairman 3rd June2025

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