



PLANNING ADVISORY, HIGHWAYS & RESILIENCE COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Planning Advisory and Highways Committee held on Tuesday 3rd March 2026 in the Cowey Room, Public Hall.

2361 MEMBERS PRESENT: Cllr Gillings (Chairman), Cllr Anderton, Cllr Dawkins and Cllr Gunning; also Christine Bright and Sara Cradock (Town Clerks) and nine members of the public.

2362 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Cllr Corbett, Cllr Benton and Cllr Biggs.

2363 MINUTES OF THE PLANNING ADVISORY, HIGHWAYS & RESILIENCE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 2ND DECEMBER 2025

Members having previously been circulated with the minutes of the Planning Advisory & Highway Committee meeting held on 2nd December 2025 were confirmed and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

2364 MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY PLANNING ADVISORY, HIGHWAYS & RESILIENCE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 17TH DECEMBER 2025

Members having previously been circulated with the minutes of the Planning Advisory & Highway Committee meeting held on 17th December 2025 were discussed and it was agreed to amend them. These will be adjusted and then confirmed at the next planning meeting (7th April 2026).

2365 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None declared.

2366 ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRMAN

It was **RESOLVED** that a Vice Chair would be elected at the next meeting (7th April 2026).

2367 PLANNING ISSUES

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

1. P/HOU/2025/07610

36 CHURCH STREET

Take down chimney and undertake repair works to the roof

No objections.

2. P/LBC/2025/07611

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Take down chimney and undertake repair works to the room

No objections.

3. P/HOU/2026/00383

4 WHITCOMBE ROAD

Rebuild 2 No. chimney stacks to existing dimensions and to include new lead tray.

No objections.

4. P/LBC/2026/00384

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Rebuild 2 No. chimney stacks to existing dimensions and include new lead tray.

No objections.

5. P/LBC/2026/00279

2 THE WALNUTS, PROUT BRIDGE

Replacement of 2 No. windows to rear elevation.

No objections.

6. P/HOU/2026/00421

109 GERRARDS GREEN

Erect front porch extension

Recommend approval – the proposed porch extension would not impact on the amenity of the area.

7. P/HOU/2026/00756

8 MILLFIELD

Erection of a single-storey detached annexe within the residential curtilage of the existing dwelling to provide ancillary accommodation for family use.

The owner of 8 Millfield was present at the meeting and asked the Chairman for permission to speak, which was granted. The owner produced a map of the street with plans of the proposed annexe. The owner informed the members of an objection that had been received, which included loss of privacy. The owner showed members photographs of the site where the proposed annexe will go, which showed that there was an 8ft wall and therefore neighbours would not lose any privacy. Members confirmed with the owner that the annexe is for family use only. Recommend approval – the proposed annexe would not impact on the amenity of the area.

8. P/TRC/2026/00809

10 CHURCH STREET

T1 Ash – reduce by approx. 1m to previous reduction points.

No objections.

(b) PLANNING APPROVALS

NOTED the following planning approvals since the last meeting:

1. **P/TRD/2026/00363**

PARNHAM PARK, PARNHAM

Removal of Walnut and a Lime under
Regulation 14

2. **P/TRC/2025/07059**

4 SHADRACK STREET

T1 Ginko – remove

3. **P/HOU/2025/06842**

19 CLAY LANE

Erection of garden room outbuilding
to rear garden.

Approved with two conditions.

4. **P/NMA/2026/00159**

MILLERS HAY, SHORTS LANE

Alterations to the design of the garage
extension to convert to gym/ancillary
use

Approved with one condition.

5. **P/TRC/2026/00007**

58 HOGSHILL STREET

T1, T2 & T3 Sycamore - Fell

(c) PLANNING REFUSALS

No planning refusals have been received. **NOTED**

2368 CORRESPONDENCE

(a) Dorset Council – Application No. P/CLE/20256/00662 – Grange Bungalow, access road to The Grange

To **NOTE** a Certificate of Lawfulness application had been submitted to Dorset Council. The Town Council could offer no evidence in respect of this Certificate of Lawfulness application.

2369 PUBLIC TRANSPORT

(a) Minutes of the CB3 Management Committee meeting held on 12th January 2026.

The Committee **NOTED** the minutes of the CB3 Management Committee meeting held on 12th January 2026.

2370 HIGHWAYS ISSUES

- Members discussed parking issues outside the Public Hall (8 Fleet Street) and one member suggested double yellow lines. Office staff are looking into having a 'loading bay' installed.
- Members discussed the temporary traffic lights at Beaminster Tunnel (Horn Hill Tunnel, A3066) which are in place until 31st March.

2371 ROAD SAFETY ISSUES

(a) 20MPH SPEED LIMIT

It was **NOTED that's** confirmation was received from Dorset Council with regard to approval of the application to introduce 20mph speed restrictions on major roads within Beaminster. Dorset Council intend to erect signage prior to the speed limit becoming operational before Easter.

SID – Dorset Council to visit North Street to ascertain whether an existing post would be suitable for siting the additional SID.

Members discussed the possibility of reapplying for a pedestrian crossing, at the first school, once the 20mph restrictions are in place.

2372 PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY

No issues were raised.

2373 COMMUNITY RESILIENCE

(a) Dorset Council – Climate Webinar

It was **NOTED** that there was an introduction of monthly webinars designed specifically for Town & Parish Councils. The Town Council **APPOINTED** two representatives: Cllr Anderton and Theo Langford (present at the meeting). It was agreed that any information received regarding the webinars or the Community Resilience Plan would be forwarded to the representatives.

2374 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next Planning Advisory & Highways Committee meeting is scheduled to take place on Tuesday 7th April 2026.

2375 THE MEETING

The meeting which began at 7.00pm was concluded at 8pm

Chairman
7th April 2026