



PLANNING ADVISORY AND HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Planning Advisory and Highways Committee held on Tuesday 5th August 2025 in the Skyrm Room, Public Hall.

Following a recent public event hosted by Parnham Park detailing the proposal to develop 85 houses on land at the entrance to the Park two members of the public addressed the Committee to reiterate the proposal was of major concern to the town, they requested the Town Council be prepared when an application is received for comment.

2301 MEMBERS PRESENT: Cllr Gillings (Chairman), Cllr Biggs, Cllr Corbett, Cllr Gunning and Cllr Turner: also Christine Bright (Town Clerk) and three members of the public.

2302 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Cllr Body, Cllr Tuff and Dorset Councillor Craig Monks.

2303 MINUTES OF THE PLANNING ADVISORY & HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 1ST JULY 2025

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

2304 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were received.

2305 PLANNING ISSUES

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

1. P/VOC/2025/04169

**COOMBE DOWN FARM COTTAGE,
BRIDPORT ROAD**

Erect dwelling with associated access, parking and garden areas (Demolish existing cottages and garage) with variation of condition 2 of planning permission P/FUL/2023/06394 to amend siting, create additional window and install solar panels).

Recommend approval, the variation would not adversely impact the amenity of the area.

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2. P/TRC/2025/04301

2 NORTH STREET

T1 Holm Oak – reduce overall crown by up to 2.5m

No objections were raised.

3. P/NMA/2025/04055

LAND NORTH AND WEST COCKROAD LANE

Non material amendment – addition of Substation onto the development for application P/RES/2022/04434

For information only. **NOTED.**

(b) PLANNING APPROVALS

NOTED the following planning approvals since the last meeting:

1. P/PABA/2025/04053

GROVEFIELD, WEST DIBBERFORD

Erect agricultural barn for storage of hay

Determined that prior approval is required.

2. P/TRD/2025/04021

HAMS PLOT

T7 Oak – removal under Reg 14 (S198)

Does not require consent.

3. P/TRC/2025/03560

21a HOUSE, THE SQUARE

T1 Cedar – fell

Approved.

4. P/HOU/2025/02442

MILLERS HAY, SHORTS LANE

Retain and alter existing shed

Approved with 3 conditions.

5. P/FUL/2024/07187

BUCKHAM DOWN FARM, ACCESS ROAD TO BUCKHAM DOWN

Erection of new dwelling following demolition of existing dwelling and surrounding outbuildings/barns

Approved with 9 conditions.

c) PLANNING REFUSALS

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



2306 CORRESPONDENCE

No correspondence was received.

2307 PUBLIC TRANSPORT

(a) CB3 – Community Bus

Members **NOTED** that no meeting of the CB3 Management Committee had taken place pending approval from the Office of Traffic Commissioner.

2308 HIGHWAYS ISSUES

(a) Overgrown vegetation

Having received no updated from Dorset Council with regard to a previous complaint with regard to vegetation obscuring road signs the Town Clerk was asked to enquire on progress.

2309 ROAD SAFETY ISSUES

(a) Speed restriction A3066

Members had previously been circulated with a copy of correspondence received with regard to the introduction of a speed restriction between Beaminster and Mosterton.

Members supported the suggestion to introduce a limit of 50mph in principle, the Town Clerk was asked to initially ascertain the costs of any necessary traffic surveys.

2310 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

(a) Anderea Pellegram proposal

The Town Clerk appraised members of the salient points within the proposal with regard to a revised timetable and costings for the preparation of a Neighbourhood Plan on behalf of the Town Council. The Town Clerk was asked to circulate the proposal to all members ahead of the Finance & General Purposes Committee meeting on 19th August.

2311 PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY

No issues were raised.

2312 COMMUNITY RESILIENCE

Under this heading Cllr Turner questioned Cllr Biggs with regard to the current status of the Flood Warden scheme as he believed not all volunteers were aware of their duties.

Cllr Biggs confirmed that all Flood Wardens had attended a training event at which they had been issued with PPE, all councillor members had also been invited to the event. The Community Resilience Plan previously adopted by the Council contained all the relevant information with regard to Flood Wardens etc.

2313 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next Planning Advisory & Highways Committee meeting is scheduled to take place on Tuesday 2nd September 2025.



2314 THE MEETING

The meeting which began at 7.00pm was concluded at 7.45pm

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Chairman
2nd September 2025