



PLANNING ADVISORY, HIGHWAYS & RESILIENCE COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Planning Advisory, Highways and Resilience Committee held on Tuesday 7th July 2026 in the Cowie Room, Public Hall.

2404 MEMBERS PRESENT: Cllr Acton (Vice Chair), Cllr Dawkins, Cllr Wallbridge, Cllr R Gunning, and Cllr Brown, Cllr Corbett; also Sara Cradock (Town Clerk).

2405 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Cllr Gillings and Cllr S. Gunning.

2406 MINUTES OF THE PLANNING ADVISORY, HIGHWAYS & RESILIENCE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 2ND JUNE 2026

It was **PROPOSED** by Cllr Dawkins and **SECONDED** by Cllr Wallbridge and **AGREED** unanimously that the Minutes be approved and signed.

2407 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were made.

2408 PLANNING ISSUES

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

1. P/PAEL/2026/03338 Beaminster Arqiva Site White Sheet Hill Beaminster DT8 3SF

Permanent backup generator.

Following discussion, it was **PROPOSED** by Cllr Dawkins, **SECONDED** by Cllr Acton and **RESOLVED** unanimously that Beaminster Town Council recommend **APPROVAL** of the application.

(b) PLANNING APPROVALS

The Committee **NOTED** the following planning approval granted since the last meeting:

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| 1. P/TRD/2026/03453 | 22 Newtown, Beaminster, DT8 3EW
T1 Willow - Remove Under Regulation 14 (S198) NOTED. |
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(c) PLANNING REFUSALS

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

2409 CORRESPONDENCE

None received.

2410 PUBLIC TRANSPORT

(a) Minutes of the CB3 Management Committee meeting held on 15th June 2026.

The Committee **NOTED** the minutes of the CB3 Management Committee held on 15 June 2026.

2411 HIGHWAYS ISSUES

(a) Whatley Lane (Beaminster Footpath 1) – Proposed Resurfacing Works

Members considered a report regarding the proposed resurfacing of Whatley Lane and the use of the cemetery access during the works.

It was **RESOLVED** to support the proposed resurfacing works from the cemetery entrance to the end of the lane, noting that these works would be funded by the adjoining residents.

Members **RESOLVED** not to contribute towards the resurfacing of the section of the lane between the public highway and the cemetery entrance at this time. Members considered that the owners of Trefoil House should first complete the reinstatement of the cemetery entrance wall and pillars before any Town Council contribution is considered.

Cllr Gunning advised that he would arrange, at his own expense, for the large potholes in the lower section of the lane to be filled with planings as an interim measure.

It was further **RESOLVED** to grant permission for the contractor to use the area adjacent to the cemetery entrance for the temporary storage of materials, plant and vehicles during the construction works, subject to the area being reinstated on completion.

(b) Other highways issues:

Members raised concerns regarding commuter parking in residential streets during the day, resulting in congestion and making it difficult for residents to park near their homes.

It was suggested that greater publicity be given to the availability of long-stay permits for Yarn Barton Car Park. Members also **AGREED** that a letter should be sent to local businesses encouraging staff to use the car park or park further from residential areas.

2412 ROAD SAFETY ISSUES

No issues raised.

2413 PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY

No issues were raised.

2414 COMMUNITY RESILIENCE

No community resilience report was received.

2415 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Planning Advisory, Highways & Resilience Committee will be held on Tuesday 4th August 2026.

2416 THE MEETING

The meeting which began at 7.00pm was concluded at 8.15pm