

The Planning Committee

MILBORNE PORT PARISH COUNCIL

The Minutes of the Planning & Environment Committee meeting

The Town Hall

Tuesday 17th February 2026 7:00 pm

Present:

Councillors:

Mr Rob Lockey (Chair)
Mr J Price

Mr C Phillips
Mr T Watts (from 7.02 pm)

In Attendance:

The Deputy Parish Clerk & Committee Officer: Nathalie Hetherington

Public Question and Comment Time:

There were no members of the public present.

Agenda Number:	Agenda Item:
73	<u>Apologies for Absence:</u> Cllrs. Margaret Capon, Tim Carty, Robert Tizzard.
74	<u>Declarations of Interest:</u> None.
75	<u>Adoption of Minutes:</u> It was proposed by Cllr. Lockey to adopt the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 20 th January 2026; seconded by Cllr. Phillips and resolved unanimously.
76	<u>Planning, Tree & Licensing Applications made to Somerset Council – South Team:</u> 1. Proposal: Double storey side extension, single storey rear extension, summer house and garage Location: Kings Rook, Wick Road, Milborne Port, DT9 5HG Applicant: Mr and Mrs Moors Application Type: Householder Application Application Number: 26/00292/HOU Deadline: 10th March 2026. Cllr. Lockey proposed that the Parish Council support this application; seconded by Cllr. Price and resolved unanimously.

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	It was agreed that a note would be added to the response to the effect that the Committee were not able to see any comments from residents of neighbouring properties because the application was considered on the same day as its publication. Action: Committee Officer to respond to Somerset Council accordingly.
77	<u>Planning Committee Budget Update:</u> This was received.
78	<u>Big red recycling bin on High Street:</u> The Committee Officer reported that the manager of the pharmacy is requesting help in relocating the bin, which continues to be kept on the pavement in front of the Guildhall, impacting negatively on the local amenity. The possibility of offering a space in the East Street car park was revisited. Cllr. Lockey proposed that the Office make an offer of a space in the East Street car park; seconded by Cllr. Price and resolved unanimously. Action: Committee Officer/Parish Clerk to action.
79	<u>Bus shelter at Crackmore:</u> The poor condition and use of the bus shelter was discussed. It was agreed to support any efforts made by members of the public or volunteers who would like to carry out maintenance, painting and planting work on the Bus Shelter (which does not belong to the Parish Council); there are currently 2 x Duke of Edinburgh Award volunteers who might carry out some work on the shelter and there is some funding available to support this work, as well as some work on footpaths and the old phone box near the Co-op.
80	<u>Verbal Updates / Reports:</u> a) Update on Previous Planning Applications: - o Land adjoining Wheathill Lane: Discharge of Conditions: some conditions approved and some not discharged (elements of landscaping, types of dwelling, surface water drainage). - o from 2022: Outline application with some matters reserved for erection of 2 residential dwellings, Nursery House – approved. b) Update on Current Live Housing Development Applications: see item above re. land adjoining Wheathill Lane. c) Update on Construction Management of Active Sites: nothing to report. d) Update on Highway Issues: - o The Committee Officer reported that damage was done to some railings on the south side of the High Street 2 weeks ago, reported to Somerset Highways by the Projects Officer; the scene was attended very quickly and made safe. We are awaiting a proper repair. - o Cllr. Lockey will be sorting out the brackets required to mount the SID on the new post on Gainsborough.

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	e) Committee Officer's Report: ○ It was agreed to discuss the recent correspondence between the Parish Council, Somerset Councillor Hayward Burt and Somerset Council's Enforcement Team and tree officer regarding unresolved/continuing concerns over activities at a site on Brook Street. It was agreed that the Committee Officer would ask Cllr. Burt for the name of the Enforcement Officer with whom he met recently and that Cllr. Lockey would draft a response to send to Somerset Council's Planning Enforcement Team, copied in to Somerset Councillors Nicola Clark and Hayward Burt, as well as to the Planning portfolio holder Councillor Mike Rigby. It was also agreed to note and monitor that a retrospective planning application might be made regarding the structures on site. ○ (Cllr. Price left the meeting at 7.55 pm and rejoined at 7.57 pm).
	Meeting ended at 8.01 pm.