

The Planning Committee

MILBORNE PORT PARISH COUNCIL

The Minutes of the Planning & Environment Committee meeting

The Town Hall

Tuesday 21st October 2025 7:00 pm

Present:

Councillors:

Mr Rob Lockey (Chair)
Mr T Carty
Mr J Price
Mr T Watts

Mrs M Capon (Vice-Chair)
Mr C Phillips
Mr R Tizzard

In Attendance:

The Deputy Parish Clerk & Committee Officer: Nathalie Hetherington

Public Question and Comment Time:

There were no questions or statements from Committee members.

Agenda Number:	Agenda Item:
44	<u>Apologies for Absence:</u> None – all present.
45	<u>Declarations of Interest:</u> Cllr. Carty requested that it be noted that his property is close to the property involved in Item 47 (3) – non-pecuniary interest.
46	<u>Adoption of Minutes:</u> It was proposed by Cllr. Lockey to adopt the minutes of the meeting held on 16th September; seconded by Cllr. Carty and resolved unanimously.
47	<u>Planning, Tree & Licensing Applications made to Somerset Council – South Team:</u> 1. Proposal: Erection of two storey front extension and first floor rear extension to dwelling. Demolition of natural stone front boundary wall. Location: 43 Baunton's Orchard Applicant: Mr Ed Myall Application Type: Householder Application Application Number: 25/02268/HOU Deadline: 16th October 2025 (extension agreed)

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	Cllr. Locky proposed that the Parish Council supports the application; seconded by Cllr. Phillips and resolved unanimously. Notifications Only (2&3): 2. Proposal: Application to carry out Tree Surgery works to various trees as shown within the Somerset Council (MIPO 2) 1985, (MIPO 6) Tree Preservation Orders. Location: Land adjoining Wheathill Lane, Milborne Port Applicant: Mr Alan Engley Application Type: Tree Preservation Order Application Number: 25/02493/TPO This notification was received. 3. Proposal: Notification of intent to Fell No. 2 Trees within a Conservation Area. Location: Swatchford Cottage, Lower Kingsbury, Milborne Port, DT9 5ED Applicant: Application Type: Work to Trees Application Number: 25/02400/TCA This notification was received. Some concerns were expressed over plans to fell the Atlas Cedar, which is considered important to the street scene. Cllr. Carty had looked back through the planning history of this property to see whether this tree has featured in previous applications/correspondence. It was agreed that the Committee Officer will communicate these concerns with the Tree Officer. Action: Committee Officer to respond to Somerset Council accordingly.
48	<u>Planning Committee Budget Update:</u> This was received.
49	<u>Application for the grant of a premises licence - 38 Wheathill Way, Milborne Port</u> This application was discussed. Cllr. Locky proposed that the Parish Council support this application (emphasising the condition that the licence be granted for online sales only; seconded by Cllr. Tizzard and resolved unanimously. Action: Committee Officer to respond to Somerset Council accordingly.

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50	<u>Verbal Updates / Reports:</u> a) Update on Previous Planning Applications: application to install a new log-burner at 25 Newtown has been approved. b) Update on Current Live Housing Development Applications: Somerset Council's Planning Department 'Prioritising Decisions Period' (PDP) has come to an end, so Cllr. Carty will now follow up on the s106 variation issue regarding the Wheathill Lane development application. c) Update on Construction Management of Active Sites: - Work has begun on building the Community Hub. Letter of intent regarding the lease is being sought from Redcliffe by the Projects Officer in order to make it easier to access grant funding for the kitting out of The Hub. d) Update on Highway Issues: The application for permission to mount a SID on an existing sign's pole on Gainsborough has been refused as it does not comply with the regulations. Other options were discussed and it was agreed that the Committee Officer will find out how much it would cost to erect a new pole at that location, then consult further with Somerset Council's Traffic Management; a maximum cost of £400 was agreed. e) Committee Officer's Report: - The refurbished noticeboard has been reinstalled on the wall by the Guildhall. - Cllr. Flynn is in the process of arranging for some local volunteers to do some footpath maintenance and a local student might become involved for his Duke of Edinburgh Silver Award (supervised by parents); it was agreed that some of the £200 in the Planning budget could be used to provide equipment if needed. The possibility of having something on our website regarding being able to support Duke of Edinburgh participants was suggested.
	Meeting ended at 7.35 pm.