

The Planning Committee

MILBORNE PORT PARISH COUNCIL

The Minutes of the Planning & Environment Committee meeting

The Town Hall

Tuesday 19th August 2025 7:52 pm

Present:

Councillors:

Mr Rob Lockey (Chair)
Mr John Price

Mr T Carty Mr C Phillips
Mr R Tizzard Mr T Watts

In Attendance:

The Deputy Parish Clerk & Committee Officer: Nathalie Hetherington
Cllr. Alison Flynn (until 8.10 pm)

Public Question and Comment Time:

There were no members of the public present and no questions or statements from Committee members.

Agenda Number:	Agenda Item:
28	<u>Apologies for Absence:</u> Mrs Margaret Capon
29	<u>Declarations of Interest:</u> None.
30	<u>Adoption of Minutes:</u> It was proposed by Cllr. Price to adopt the minutes of the meeting held on 15 th July 2025; seconded by Cllr. Phillips and resolved by 5 votes with 1 abstention due to absence at that meeting.
31	<u>Planning, Tree & Licensing Applications made to Somerset Council – South Team:</u> 1) <i>Notification only</i> Location: The Dairy House, Lower Kingsbury, Milborne Port, DT9 5ED Applicant: Mrs Anna Wagner Application Type: Work to Trees Application number: 25/01827/TCA Proposal: Notification of intent to fell no. 3 trees within a conservation area. (T1) Willow tree which is congested, dropping leaves in the pond; (T2) Lawson tree too big for its location. (T3) Quince tree – showing signs of disease. This notification was received.

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Committee Officer: Nathalie Hetherington

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	2) Proposal: Full application for the citing of a converted shipping container in the rear garden for use as a dental laboratory Location: 21 Wheathill Way, Milborne Port, DT9 5EZ Applicant: Mr Marc Van Wyk Application Type: Full Application Application Number: 25/01620/FUL Deadline: 15th August (extension agreed) Cllr. Lockey proposed that the Parish Council support the application with emphasis on the need for the specified hours of business to be adhered to; seconded by Cllr. Phillips and resolved unanimously. <i>(Not included in published agenda)</i> 3) Proposal: Installation of a log burner with associated flue liner terminating at the existing chimney stack via a cowl, and installation of broadband cabling routed underground across the front driveway and up the front elevation wall at low level, entering the front longue to connect to a small internal broadband box. Location: 25 Newtown, Milborne Port, DT9 5BJ Applicant: Miss Naomi Diver Application Type: Listed Building Consent Application Number: 25/01680/LBC Deadline: 4th September Cllr. Lockey proposed that the Parish Council support the application; seconded by Cllr. Carty and resolved unanimously. Action: Committee Officer to respond to Somerset Council accordingly.
32	<u>Planning Committee Budget Update:</u> This was received.
33	<u>Milborne Wick fingerpost restoration</u> The quotations for the work were received and discussed. Cllr. Lockey proposed to appoint Somerset Forge to carry out the restoration work on the fingerpost and lamp post at a cost of £1840, plus a possible £150 per collar if required; seconded by Cllr. Phillips and resolved unanimously. Action: The Committee Officer will communicate with residents of Milborne Wick and apply to CPRE for some grant funding.
34	<u>The Tippling Philosopher – Planning Application 25/00707/FUL</u> An update was received from the Committee Officer regarding the applicants' submission following the consultation period and to resolve on any response, and the documents previously circulated were received and discussed. It was agreed that no further action is required.

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35	<u>Bathwell Lane:</u> The possible removal/relocation of the grit bin and restoration of the seated recess area were discussed. It was agreed that the seating area should be restored and that the grit bin should be relocated on Bathwell Lane near to its current position; Cllr. Lockey and the Committee Officer will meet on site to discuss possibilities regarding the relocation.
36	<u>Verbal Updates / Reports:</u> a) Update on Previous Planning Applications: I. Horethorne House, High Street – single storey garden room rear extension approved II. 43 East Street single storey rear extension and internal alterations approved b) Update on Current Live Housing Development Applications: none. c) Update on Construction Management of Active Sites: Cllr. Carty reported that MPPC's Projects Officer has been liaising closely with Redcliffe Homes regarding the exact requirements and responsibilities for the Community Hub, which is now due to be ready by March 2026. d) Update on Highway Issues: I. The Committee Officer reported that Somerset Highways have been clearing the pavement at Crackmore opposite the garage. II. The Committee Officer and Cllrs. Lockey and Capon are due to meet Andy Barron from Somerset Highways next week to discuss the parking/speeding issues in East Street, and will also mention the Station Road bend visibility issue and the health and safety issue at the end of the footpath that runs from Pud Brook to Brook Street. e) Committee Officer's Report I. Update on Wheathill Lane hedge – EuCAN CIC are overseeing the maintenance of the school's hedge in liaison with the owners of adjacent land. II. Trees in river – The owners of The Old Vicarage on Sherborne Road have been contacted regarding the work required to remove the fallen trees/branches on that side of the river; no response as yet. Cllr. Carty reported that he is still working on a response to Somerset Council's travel policy consultation process; there will be a public discussion next month. There is currently nothing on heavily laden vehicles. This issue is also being looked at from an LCN perspective. He has also received a memo from Somerset Council about an on-location sports infrastructure survey but no request to be guided around the village; he has fed back to the LCN about this.
	Meeting ended at 8.29 pm.