

HADLOW PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of the Meeting of Planning & Environment Committee duly convened and held
on
Tuesday 20 May 2025 at 7.30pm in Old School Hall, Parish Office**

Committee Members Present: Cllrs O Baldock (Chair), E Bright, Harvey, J Massy, J Newman,

Also in Attendance: M Stepkowski (Clerk & Minute Taker) TMBC Cllr J Lark & Mr T Burrows

3861 To receive apologies, reasons and approval of absences

Cllr's D Carey & N Collins had sent their apologies and members made aware of the reasons for absence.

Resolved to approve absence of Cllr's D Carey and N Collins. Proposed Cllr Baldock seconded Cllr Bright & carried unanimously.

Other Absences noted: KCC Cllr S Hudson & TMBC S Crisp (other commitments)

3862 To receive declarations of interests

No declarations.

3863 To receive an update on progress of resolutions and matters from the last meeting held on 22 April 2025 not on the current on the agenda

No matters addressed.

3864 TMBC & KCC Matters

Byond Homes were considering entering an application for housing north of Court Lane and had invited both Cllr's Lark & Crisp and the Parish Council to meet ahead of any public consultation; Cllr Lark had declined as did the Parish Council to ensure there was no predetermination if an application was submitted to TMBC in the future.

Road Closure – Three Elm Lane: South East Water who had been on site for an emergency water repair had been fined for dangerous safeguarding and other matters of public safety. The harris fencing had been inappropriately installed with poor road closure signage. It was noted that vehicles were mounting the verge and driving around the works.

3865 New applications, amended applications and plans for comment (List 'B's)

- **25/00801/PA** - Details of Condition 15 (Archaeology Watching Brief) Pursuant to planning permission TM/22/01474/FL Full planning application for the erection of 57 residential dwellings (Use Class C3) including affordable housing provision, a new children's day nursery and pre-school (Use Class E) alongside hard and soft landscaping including access, car parking, public open space, SuDS, and associated infrastructure. Land Formerly West Part Of Court Lane Nurseries, Court Lane, Hadlow, Tonbridge
HPC noted.

- **25/00813/PA** - Erection of a T3 aerial to boost the Smart meter signal. The Old Farmhouse, Hartlake Road, Golden Green, Tonbridge, TN11 0BL
HPC no objection.

3866 To resolve Councils decision after discussion at previous meetings not to adopt any amenities such as play spaces, allotments, paths etc in relation to the Dandara planning application for Land Formerly West pPart of Court Lane Nurseries, Court Lane, Hadlow, TN11 0BL

Resolved and ratified Council's decision not to adopt or be held responsible for any amenities such as play spaces, allotments, paths, vegetation etc related to the Dandara planning application and proposed development on land formerly west part of Court Lane Nurseries, Court Lane, Hadlow, TN11 0BL. Proposed Cllr Baldock, seconded Cllr Bright and carried unanimously.

3867 Planning applications: results (List D's), out of area/comment & planning enforcements:

List 'D's and enforcements noted.

3868 non-planning issues:

- a) Tree Works: St Mary's Churchyard – Lime Tree to be considered for removal: causing brick wall defect due to its proximity.

The Clerk reported that: Cllr Carey as Hadlow Voluntary Tree Warden had visited the site and sadly concluded that the tree would need to be removed and the roots killed to prevent further growth as the tree was too close to the wall causing the it to push out, which was considered unsafe in the long term. Once the tree was removed further consideration would be given to the remaining Lime trees in that location and repair of the wall.

Resolved to recommend to full Council that the Lime tree closest to the footpath between St Mary's Churchyard and 30 The Forstal be removed. Proposed Cllr Baldock, seconded Cllr Bright and carried unanimously.

- b) Tree Works: Williams Field – to remove branches overhanging existing shipping container in preparation for container replacement

Resolved to engage Down To Earth to complete the removal of overhanging branches by the existing shipping container located in the field behind the Village Hall and close to the young children's playground. Proposed Cllr Baldock, seconded Cllr Bright and carried unanimously.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 19:44 hrs.

Date of next meeting: Tuesday 24 June 2025 at 7.30pm at Old School Hall, Parish Office

Signed

Date