

HERNE & BROOMFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

Parish Office, Herne Centre, St Martin's View, Herne CT6 7AP

Minutes of the meeting of the Herne & Broomfield Parish Council Planning & Highways Committee held at the Herne Centre on Thursday 2nd April 2026 at 7.30pm, for the purpose of transacting the following business.

Present:

Cllr Wilson (Vice Chairman)

Cllr Binstead

Cllr Hill

Cllr Strong

Michele Nicholson (Clerk/RFO)

1. To receive apologies for absence and accept reasons.

Cllr Blatherwick, Cllr Austin and Cllr Checksfield. Apologies and reasons for absence were accepted.

2. To receive declarations of interest on items on the Agenda and requests for dispensations.

None were given.

3. To confirm the minutes of the planning meeting held on 5th March 2026.

The minutes were approved as a correct record.

ADJOURNMENT FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO SPEAK ON ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

To allow members of the public to speak about items on the agenda.

No members of the public were present.

4. To receive a report from the Clerk, including any correspondence.

The clerk had nothing to report.

Reference	Address	Proposal	Comments on or by
26/00305	120 Ridgeway Road	Single-storey front and two-storey side extensions together with detached garage with studio room above and detached single storey outbuilding	10/04/26
		Members objected to this application. Members raised concerns that this would be a major overdevelopment, especially given that the site sits within the Herne Conservation Area. In addition, the proposed large conservatory would be far more visible from the road. Members also raised concerns that the design of the garage could allow for conversion into an annex.	
26/00378	33 Hawe Farm Way	Single-storey side and rear extension following part-removal of conservatory and demolition of garage	10/04/26
		Members supported this application. Members made no comments.	
26/00421	7 Shepherdsgate Drive	Single-storey side extension	17/04/26
		Members supported this application. Members made no comments.	
26/00370	Forge House, Herne Street	Application for listed building consent for replacement of 6no windows to front and rear, replacement of the front and rear white timber cladding	24/04/26

		Members neither supported nor objected to this application. Members understand the need to replace the windows but request that they be replaced with a like for like design, preferably timber framed double-glazing, and not in the different style of the one existing double-glazed window. Changing the design of the windows would alter the nature of a listed building situated within the Herne Conservation Area.	
26/00476	The Paddocks, Ford Road	Details submitted pursuant to condition 4 (hardstanding), 5 (foundations), 6 (watching brief), 10 (ecology) of planning permission CA/23/00857/FUL	24/04/26
		Members neither supported nor objected to this application. Members made no comments.	
26/00466	46 Margate Road	Single-storey rear and side extension and rear dormer	24/04/26
		Members neither supported nor objected to this application. Members made no comments.	
26/00527	Robins Hedge, Chapel Row	T1 and T2 - 2 x Ash trees 2.5/3metre reduction on both, from approx. 9 metres to 6 metres, located in rear garden	
		Members supported this application. Members agreed with the Tree Warden's comments. Have no objection to the cutting back of the trees, so long as the work is done by a professional and is not carried out during the bird nesting season, March to September. Members commented regarding T1, the tree growing through the fence, that the landowner would need to be informed before any tree works were undertaken.	

Any applications submitted prior to the meeting will be considered.

26/00466 46 Margate Road

26/00527 Robins Hedge, Chapel Row

Applications approved by CCC:

26/00060 38 Hunters Chase

25/02259 Strode Farm, Lower Herne Road

26/00124 Strode Farm, Lower Herne Road

26/00167 Strode Farm, Lower Herne Road

26/00329 Strode Farm, Lower Herne Road

25/02366 Land at Herne Bay Golf Course, Thanet Way A2990

26/00230 16 Busheyfields Road

26/00139 6 Arden Road

To discuss any Highways issues.

Report regarding the Parking Meeting held on 25th March 2026.

The draft meeting notes had been circulated prior to the meeting.

A copy of the draft Action Plan was provided.

The clerk reported that she had an online meeting scheduled for 7th April 2026 with Briony Chaplin (KCC Highways Community Engagement Officer (Canterbury)). This was to discuss the outcomes of the Parking Meeting and any implications for the parish council's Highways Improvement Plan.

Update regarding the Joint Transport Board (JTB) meeting and the double yellow line requests.

The clerk reported that the proposal for double yellow lines in Lindridge Close had been refused. There had been objections from residents. The proposal for double yellow lines in Windmill Road was granted. Cllr Hill reported that there appeared to be an increase in the number of commercial vehicles parking on residential roads.

Cllr Wilson reported that the potholes in Albion Lane had not been repaired properly. The clerk was asked to contact KCC Highways regarding this. **Action: Clerk.**

Cllr Binstead asked whether consideration had ever been given to making a small car park in the Cherry Orchard playing field. The clerk was asked to contact the CCC councillors. **Action: Clerk.**

Meeting closed 8.45pm