



Minutes of a meeting of the Planning and Transport Committee held on Tuesday 22 July 2025 in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, East Street, Wareham at 7.00pm.

Committee Members Present: Councillors M Tighe (Chair), D Robinson (Vice Chair), B Dean, D Budd, A Dallimore and M Hill.

Officers present: N Gray, Town Clerk & RFO, S Dickens, Deputy Town Clerk

P&T 031/25-26 Apologies for absence

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Cleaton and Cllr Cotton.

P&T 032/25-26 Declarations of interest

There were no declarations of interest.

P&T 033/25-26 Public participation time

There were no members of the public present.

P&T 034/25-26 Confirmation of the minutes of the previous meeting

P&T 028/25-26 inclusion of the committee's consideration of speed bumps in Cow Lane.

It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting held on 08 July 2025 were approved subject to the above amendment and would be signed by the Chair following the meeting.

P&T 035/25-26 Matters arising from the minutes of the previous meeting

Cllr Robinson enquired whether there had been any progress on the speed surveys within the Saxon Walls following the committee's previous meeting. The Deputy Town Clerk noted that the speed surveys entailed an unbudgeted expenditure which would be considered at the Policy, Resources and Finance committee on 9 September 2025.

P&T 036/25-26 Planning Applications

The following planning applications were received from Dorset Council, in its capacity as the local Planning Authority, for Wareham Town Council to consider:

Application Number:	P/ADV/2025/02966
Location:	4 North Street Wareham BH20 4AF
Proposal:	Pharmacy premises signage, to feature company logo and registered trademark.

Decision:	OBJECTION – Wareham Town Council recognises that an illuminated green cross on medical facilities is exempt from restriction but strongly objects to the illumination of the remaining fascia. Wareham Neighbourhood Plan Policy TC5 states "signs should be of sympathetic and traditional design" and "not be
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bulky in appearance or internally illuminated” which makes the sign contrary to policy, particularly given that it is located within a conservation area. The proposed large font, which is much bigger than the former ‘Boots’ signage, further compounds its visible intrusion within the conservation area. In addition, there is absolute objection to the sign being illuminated during the hours of 18:00–09:00, which is outside the pharmacy’s open hours and unnecessary.

P&T 037/25-26 Planning Decisions

The planning decisions report was noted.

P&T 038/25-26 Sitting Out Licence Application for The Granary, The Quay, Wareham, Dorset, BH20 4LP

The committee considered documentation in respect to the sitting out licence application for The Granary, The Quay, Wareham, Dorset, BH20 4LP which had been circulated by email and responded to prior to the meeting due to the deadline given by Dorset Council.

It was **RESOLVED** that the decision supporting the sitting out licence application for The Granary, The Quay, Wareham, Dorset, BH20 4LP received by email on 3 July 2025 be retrospectively approved.

P&T 039/25-26 New Tree Preservation Order TPO/2025/0055 (Land to the rear of 15-17 Tinkers Lane, Wareham, BH20 4QR)

The committee considered the documentation in respect to the new tree preservation order TPO/2025/0055 on the land to the rear of 15-17 Tinkers Lane, Wareham, BH20 4QR.

It was **RESOLVED** there was no objection to the implementation of the new tree preservation order TPO/2025/0055 on the tree to the rear of 15-17 Tinkers Lane, Wareham, BH20 4QR.

P&T 040/25-26 Worgret Road Speed Indicator Devices

The committee noted the report which set out the withdrawal of Dorset Council’s support of the Speed Indicator Device at Worgret Road, which had been broken for some time. It further considered the substantial cost implications to the Town Council if it were to accept Dorset Council’s offer to adopt the device, along with the limited identifiable benefit it made to road safety.

It was **RESOLVED** not to participate in the community speed indicator devices programme at this time.

P&T 041/25-26 Any other items the Chairman deems urgent

There were no items deemed urgent.

P&T 042/25-26 Date of next meeting

It was noted that the next meeting of the Planning and Transport Committee was scheduled for Tuesday 12 August 2025 at 19:00.

Chairman..... Date.....

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