



Minutes of a meeting of the Planning and Transport Committee held on Tuesday 24 February 2026 in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, East Street, Wareham at 7.00pm.

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

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

P&T 147/25-26 Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Cllr D Cleaton and Cllr M Tighe. Cllr Robinson sat as the Chair in Cllr Tighe's absence.

P&T 148/25-26 Declarations of interest

There were no declarations of interest.

P&T 149/25-26 Public participation time

There were no members of the public present.

P&T 150/25-26 Confirmation of the minutes of the previous meeting

It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting held on 10 February 2026 were approved and were signed by the Chair.

P&T 151/25-26 Matters arising from the minutes of the previous meeting

There were no matters arising.

P&T 152/25-26 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/CLP/2026/00697
Location: 3 Hutchins Lane Wareham BH20 4FF
Proposal: To convert single storey garage to provide a dry household store and library including two windows on rear elevation and to change garage door to a sliding folding door set.

Decision: NOTED

Application Number: P/HOU/2026/00131
Location: 109 Wessex Oval Wareham BH20 4BS
Proposal: Erect single storey rear extension

Decision: NO OBJECTION

P&T 153/25-26 Planning Decisions

The planning decisions report was noted.

P&T 154/25-26 National Planning Policy Framework Consultation Response Recommendation

The Committee considered the recommended National Planning Policy Framework Consultation response from the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group, noting a discrepancy between the length of time the recommended response outlined for new style local plans to be produced.

A number of minor typing errors and contextual clarifications were also noted with the Committee requesting amendments be done as required prior to submission.

It was **RESOLVED** to accept the response recommendation from the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group to the National Planning Policy Framework Consultation subject to the clarifications and minor typing errors, and to delegate the response submission to the Deputy Clerk.

P&T 155/25-26 Worgret Road Speed / Warning Signs

The Committee noted the information from Dorset Council regarding the removal of the speed indicator signs on Worgret Road, commenting on the risk that removal may result in speeds increasing.

P&T 156/25-26 Any other items the Chairman deems urgent

Cllr Robinson noted the crossing conditions at the Saxon Roundabout when the underpass was flooded and unable to be used, requesting that an agenda item be brought to the next meeting. The Town Clerk advised that she has spoken with Dorset Council highways about the issue and they had confirmed that they were looking into safety measures for crossing at the site.

P&T 157/25-26 Date of next meeting

It was noted that the next meeting of the Planning and Transport Committee was scheduled for Tuesday 10 March 2026 at 7:00pm.

Chairman.....

Date.....