MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE PLANNING AND HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, NEWBURY TOWN COUNCIL, MARKET PLACE, NEWBURY ON MONDAY 24TH FEBRUARY 2025 AT 7.30PM.

PRESENT

Councillors, Phil Barnett, Vera Barnett (sub) Jo Day, Nigel Foot, David Harman (Deputy Chair), Roger Hunneman, Ian Jee, Vaughan Miller, Andy Moore, Gary Norman (sub), Graham Storey and Tony Vickers

In Attendance

Kym Heasman, Committee Clerk

121. APOLOGIES

Councillors Sam Dibas (substitute Vera Barnett) & David Marsh (Substitute Gary Norman)

Councillor Tony Vickers gave apologies that he would need to leave the meeting early.

122. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The Committee Clerk declared that Councillors, Phil Barnett, Nigel Foot, David Marsh and Tony Vickers who are also Members of West Berkshire Council, which is declared as a general interest on their behalf and a dispensation is in place to allow them to partake in discussions relating to West Berkshire Council business.

123. MINUTES

PROPOSED: Councillor Vaughan Miller **SECONDED:** Councillor Andy Moore

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting of the Planning & Highways Committee held on Wednesday 29th January 2025, be approved, and signed by the Chairperson.

124. QUESTIONS AND PETITIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

There were no questions received from members of the public.

125. MEMBERS' QUESTIONS AND PETITIONS

There were not questions received form members of the committee.

126. KENNET CENTRE REDESIGN PRESENTATION

Members received information and a presentation from Lochailort on the "Old Town" planning application that has been submitted to West Berkshire Council.

Members thanked Mr Hugo Haig for attending and provided this information.

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127. PRESENTATION ON PEDESTRIANISATION

The committee received a presentation from an officer at West Berkshire Council with the lates updates on the Town Centre pedestrianisation.

Members thanked the West Berkshire Council Officer for his time and for presenting the information.

Councillor Tony Vickers left the meeting at 8.36pm.

128. SCHEDULE OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Resolved that the observations recorded at Appendix 1 to these minutes be submitted to the planning authority.

129. APPEAL UNDER SECTION 78 OF THE TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990

Members agreed with comments already submitted and noted that they had already been submitted to the Planning inspectorate from West Berkshire Council.

PROPOSED: Councillor Andy Moore **SECONDED:** Councillor Vaughan Miller

RESOLVED: That the council would reapply for Rule 6 Party status, on the appeal application of Egal Quarter application. It was also agreed that councillors Andy More, David Harman and Vaughan Miller and invitation be extended meeting to discuss the evidence to be submitted for the inquiry

130. PROW WORKING GROUP UPDATE

Members received an update from the Prow working group

131. FARADAY FOOTBALL GROUND UPDATE

Council Vaugan Miller gave a verbal an update on the Football Ground, and its plans going forward.

132. UPDATE FROM THE WESTERN AREA PLANNING COMMITTEE

Members received an update, with no applications being considered at the committee within the Newbury Parish boundary.

133. FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME FOR PLANNING AND HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE MEETINGS 2024/25

The forward work programme was received and noted by the committee.

134. MOTION TO APPROVE APPLICATIONS FROM CLIMATE EMERGENCY.

PROPOSED: Councillor David Harman **SECONDED:** Councillor Gary Norman

RESOLVED: That the motion to discuss the Grant Application previously considered and approved by the Climate Emergency Sub Committee held 4th December, for recommendation of approval at committee, be considered as an additional agenda item due to its unknown status prior to the agenda being published.

135. GRANT APPROVAL

PROPOSED: Councillor Roger Hunneman **SECONDED:** Councillor Graham Storey

RESOLVED: To approve Grant as recommended by Climate Emergency Sub-Committee

THERE BEING NO OTHER BUSINESS THE CHAIRPERSON DECLARED THE MEETING CLOSED AT 21:26 HRS

CHAIRPERSON

Signature: Date:

PLANNING AND HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS – RESOLUTIONS

RUNNING ORDER	RESOLUTION	APPLICATION NUMBER	LOCATION AND APPLICANT	PROPOSAL
1	No objection.	25/00196/HOUSE	7 Clay Hill Crescent, Newbury for Mark Morris & Carol Bees.	Proposed new front porch, internal alterations & rear dormer to existing loft conversion.
2	No objection.	25/00115/HOUSE	4 Pyle Hill, Newbury for Mr & Mrs Hutchins.	Rear first floor extension above existing ground floor.
3	No objection.	24/02656/HOUSE	14 Almond Avenue, Newbury for Pual Emberlin	Single storey rear extension.
4	No objection.	25/00010/HOUSE	2 Donnington Square, Newbury for Mr & Mrs Dabbs	Construction of a detached garage with south facing solar PV panels and existing dropped kerb to be widened.
5	No objection.	<u>25/00148/REG4</u>	Northcroft Leisure Centre, Northcroft Lane, Newbury for Everyone Active.	Section 73a: Variation of Condition (2) (Approved Plans) 3 (Hard Surface Materials) and 4 (Materials) of previously approved application 24/01602/REG4 : Proposed new single storey entrance lobby and canopy. New entrance facade cladding, new door/window openings and new roof top plant.
6	No objection.	25/00132/HOUSE	16 Falkland Road, Newbury for Mr & Mrs Lomax	Single storey rear extension and internal Alterations.
7	No objection.	<u>25/00155/FUL</u>	Carnarvon Place Flats, Carnarvon Place, Newbury for Sovereign Network Group.	Replacement of existing timber balcony infills to powder-coated aluminium panels supported by existing steel frames.
8	Support.	<u>24/02780/FUL</u>	58 Cheap Street, Newbury for Corn Exchange Newbury.	Section 73: Variation of Condition 2 (Approved Plans) of planning permission 22/01814/FUL: Change of use from Class E(b) (food & drink) to Sui Generis (learning/performing arts centre).
9	No objection.	25/00231/HOUSE	106 Gloucester Road Newbury for Mr & Mrs Oates	Single storey side extension following demolition of existing garage and lean-to.