

Minutes of a meeting of the **PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE**
held on Monday 29th September 2025 at 6.00pm.

Present: Chairman Councillor A. May and Councillors M. Beach, D. Chapman, S. Crump, P. Harston, B. Jones, Mrs J. Jones and D. Lewis.

In attendance:
Planning Clerk Mrs Diane Cavey
0 Members of the public

173. PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT MEETING

The Planning Meeting scheduled for the 8th September 2025 as per the timetable of meetings 2025-2026 on the Council website. The meeting was cancelled in error, consequently the meeting was rescheduled for the 22nd September 2025. The meeting on the 22nd September did not take place due to not being quorate.

174. STATEMENT FROM THE CHAIR OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE

As the Chair of the Planning Committee, I would like to make a statement for the benefit of all Councillors present at this meeting and for members of the public.

The applications before you and indeed any applications in the future must be considered on Planning merits only. It is essential that Councillors adhere to this principle and ensure that their decisions are based on the papers before you and any information provided to you during this meeting.

I must stress this is not a forum to discuss any ancillary issues relating to the planning application or indeed any other matters. Councillors must not bring up or discuss any matters not included on the agenda issued to them.

175. ABSENT

Councillor Mrs K. Rye and Councillor A. Duncan

176. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

177. QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

No members of the public present.

178. MINUTES

a) The minutes of the Planning meeting held on the 27th August 2025 was signed by the Chairman as a true record.

Proposed by Cllr Bob Jones and seconded by Cllr Maria Beach

For: 4

Abstain: 4 (Cllrs S. Crump, D. Lewis, D. Chapman and P. Harston)

The four Councillors who abstained were not present at the meeting of the 27th August 2025.

179. **PLANNING APPLICATIONS****a) 25/1531/FH 69 SYCAMORE CLOSE LYDD KENT**

Proposal: Demolition of existing garage, creation of new driveway and dropped kerb, erection of single storey dwelling (Class C3) with associated gardens and planting, perimeter and hardstanding parking.

Councillor A. May said he had been to look at the property and the garage had already been converted into a sunroom. The dropped kerb is very close to the corner and in his view, there is limited vision when leaving the proposed drive.

Councillor Mrs J. Jones commented the build is over intensive and close to the windows of the neighbouring property.

Councillor P. Harston commented the build will block the light to the neighbouring property.

Councillor D. Chapman commented the existing build looks like it does not have any side windows also the garage door has been left.

Councillor A. May replied to Councillor D. Chapman the windows at present are below the fence line.

Councillor B. Jones commented the sewer is under ground by the build also it is over intensive for the plot.

Councillor Mrs J. Jones commented the neighbours do not want the build as they are concerned with the drain issues.

Councillor B. Jones proposed to object to the proposal taking into consideration the points outlined.

RESOLVED: To object to the proposal for application 25/1531/FH which was supported unanimously by the committee due to taking into consideration the following comments:

1. Over intensive build.
2. Impacts light and privacy to neighbouring property.
3. Neighbours concern over the drains.
4. The driveway impacts the view as close to junction.

Proposed by Cllr B. Jones and seconded by Cllr M. Beach

Voting to object to the proposal

For: 8

Unanimous vote to object to proposal 25/1531/FH

b) 25/1549/FH CAMPING AND CARAVANING SITE ROMNEY FARM LYDD KENT

Proposal: Demolition of existing buildings and the siting of up to 6no. single static mobile homes with associated parking and landscaping.

RESOLVED: To support the proposal for application 25/1549/FH

Proposed by Cllr Mrs J. Jones and seconded by Cllr P. Harston

Voting in support of the proposal

For: 8

Unanimous

c) 25/1634/FH 15 PADDOCK CLOSE LYDD KENT

Proposal: Works to trees the subject to TPO No 01 of 1974 comprising of T1, T2 & T3 Sycamores fell to ground level.

RESOLVED: To support the proposal for application 25/1634/FH

Proposed by Cllr B. Jones and seconded by Cllr M. Beach

Voting in support of the proposal

For: 6

Abstain: 2 (Councillor B. Jones and Mrs J. Jones)

180. KENT COUNTY COUNCIL**Decision Notice – SH/11/852/R21****PROPOSAL: SH/11/852/R21** – Details of a final restoration plan of planning permission SH/11/852 at Dungeness Borrow Pit, Dungeness, Romney Marsh, Kent, TN29 9NA.**COUNCILLORS RECEIVED AND NOTED.****181. PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT SCHEDULED MEETING DATES**

Due to the meeting on the 8th September 2025 being cancelled in error we now must get back on track with the scheduled meeting dates agreed at the Annual Statutory Meeting. The next meeting scheduled is on the 6th October 2025 at 6pm in the parlour.

The meeting closed at 6.26pm

Chairman_____

Date_____