

PL/14/24

Minutes of the **Planning Committee** meeting held on Monday 14th April 2025 at 7.21pm in the Council Chamber, Town Council Offices, Cornwalls Meadow, Buckingham

Present:

Cllr. T. Allen	
Cllr. M. Cole JP	Chair
Cllr. F. Davies	
Cllr. L. Draper	
Cllr. J. Harvey	
Cllr. A. Mahi	
Cllr. J. Mordue	
Cllr. L. O'Donoghue	
Cllr. A. Ralph	Vice Chair
Cllr. R. Stuchbury	
Cllr. M. Try	

Also present:

Mrs. C. Cumming	Buckingham Society
Ms. C. Molyneux	Town Clerk
Ms. P. Cahill	Committee Clerk
Mrs. K. McElligott	Planning Clerk
Ms. H. Haydock	

Absent: Cllr. A. Schaefer

There was no public session – Ms. Haydock attended to observe the meeting.

687/24 Apologies for Absence

Members received and accepted apologies from Cllr. Schaefer.

688/24 Declarations of Interest

Cllr. Stuchbury noted that, as a member of the North Buckinghamshire Area Planning Committee, he will not be voting on applications.

689/24 Minutes

Members agreed the minutes of the Planning Committee Meetings held on 24th February and 24th March 2025.

690/24 Planning applications

For Member's information the next scheduled Buckinghamshire Council – North Buckinghamshire Planning Area Committee meeting is on Wednesday 16th April at 2.30pm. Strategic Sites Committee meeting is on Wednesday 16th April (postponed from 10th April) at 10am. (no Buckingham applications on either agenda).

Members considered a response to planning applications received from Buckinghamshire Council and whether to request a call-in.

25/00558/APP

19 Turnside Street

Householder application for two storey side extension.

NO OBJECTIONS, but see comment

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Members' response was agreed before a site notice was posted in the neighbourhood. If, after the statutory notice(s) have been posted, neighbours make any comments available to the Town Council and possibly raise valid planning reasons not obvious to Members viewing from the public domain, they reserve the right to amend their response.

Members noted that there was only one allocated parking space for this house, in the nearby courtyard, though there were two Visitor bays in front of it, so the parking provision was already inadequate for a 4-bedroom house, let alone a 5-bedroom one (unless the new bedroom is to replace the attic room; no second storey drawings were submitted).

Cllr. Cole Proposed No Objections, Cllr. Ralph Seconded and Members **AGREED**. Cllr. Stuchbury abstained.

25/00652/APP

NO OBJECTIONS, but see comment

Kilrenny, Stowe Close

Householder application for construction of two storey rear extension, single storey side extension and fenestration alterations.

Members assumed that the existing detached brick garage was to be demolished.

Cllr. Cole Proposed No Objections, Cllr. Ralph Seconded and Members **AGREED**. Cllr. Stuchbury abstained.

25/00666/APP

NO OBJECTIONS

2 Bodenham Close

Householder application for construction of single storey rear extension to provide larger kitchen area.

Cllr. Cole Proposed No Objections, Cllr. Ralph Seconded and Members **AGREED**. Cllr. Stuchbury abstained.

25/00750/APP

NO OBJECTIONS

28 Willow Drive

Householder application for single storey rear extension to kitchen/dining area with removal of existing conservatory. First floor side extension above existing garage to provide new bedroom and family bathroom.

Members' response was agreed before a site notice was posted in the neighbourhood. If, after the statutory notice(s) have been posted, neighbours make any comments available to the Town Council and possibly raise valid planning reasons not obvious to Members viewing from the public domain, they reserve the right to amend their response.

Cllr. Cole Proposed No Objections, Cllr. Ralph Seconded and Members **AGREED**. Cllr. Stuchbury abstained.

25/00783/APP

NO OBJECTIONS

White House Farm, Bourton Road

Addition of solar panels to agricultural building.

Members' response was agreed before a site notice was posted in the neighbourhood. If, after the statutory notice(s) have been posted, neighbours make any comments available to the Town Council and possibly raise valid planning reasons not obvious to Members viewing from the public domain, they reserve the right to amend their response.

Cllr. Cole Proposed No Objections, Cllr. Ralph Seconded and Members **AGREED**. Cllr. Stuchbury abstained.

Not for consultation (tree works; circulated separately)

25/00205/ATP

OPPOSE

Maids Moreton Avenue [*rear of 4 Woodlands Close*]

G1 – Reduce row of trees (2 – 3m) bordering 4 Woodlands Close, back to the boundary. Trees in the row are Horse Chestnut, Sycamore and Lime. The canopies are encroaching over the property, posing an H&S risk in storms.

The proposal was opposed on the grounds of inadequate information submitted for work to Protected trees not growing in land in the ownership of the applicant. Furthermore, it was now the nesting season.

25/01099/ATC

NO OBJECTIONS

5 Bostock Court

One sycamore tree (no TPO). Reduce lateral side growth over boundary rear garden by 2m. Reduce top growth by 3m. Work to be carried out by local arborist.

It was pointed out that the nesting season had now started, so the work should be delayed until September.

The Planning Clerk will provide a report on 'other works' relating to trees for the next meeting.

ACTION PLANNING CLERK

Not for consultation (other)

25/00869/CPL

NO OBJECTIONS

2 Wheeler Place

Certificate of Lawfulness for proposed removal of canopy structure over front door and erection of wooden porch canopy.

Comments were made about disturbing the uniformity of the street scene, the proposed painting of the natural wood, and the lack of any similar porch structure anywhere on this estate. The response was agreed by a majority of the Committee.

Cllr. Cole Proposed No Objections and Cllr. Draper Seconded. A vote was taken, and the result was:

For: 10

Against: 1

Abstention: 1

25/00922/HPDE

NO OBJECTIONS

10 Highlands Road

The erection of a single storey rear extension, which would extend beyond the rear wall of the original house by 5.00m for which the maximum height would be 3.10m and for which the height of the eaves would be maximum 3.10m.

It was noted that the disappearance/re-siting of the soil pipe had not been addressed.

Cllr. Cole Proposed No Objections, Cllr. Ralph Seconded and Members **AGREED**. Cllr. Stuchbury and Cllr. Try abstained.

691/24 Planning decisions

691/24.1 To receive for information details of planning decisions made by Buckinghamshire Council.

Approved

Application	Site address	Proposal	BTC response
24/01346/APP	39 Bernardines Way	Ch/use from 6 HMO (C4) to 7 HMO (sui generis) with shared facilities	Oppose
25/00029/AAD	Starbucks, London Road	Replacement of totem sign with 9m pole sign	No objections
25/00192/APP	27 Osberg Road	Conv. carport to study/washroom (retrospective)	Oppose
25/00494/AAD	Old Telephone Exchange	Three fascia signs for martial arts centre (retrospective)	No objections

Refused

Application	Site address	Proposal	BTC response
25/00327/APP	26A Deerfield Cl.	2-storey. side & rear extension	No objections

692/24.2 Planning Inspectorate

24/01412/APP

Avenue Lodge, Stratford Road, MK18 1NY; two storey side extension.

Appeal against Refusal.

The Inspector has dismissed the appeal.

693/24 Planning Responses

Members received a report from the Town Clerk regarding the recent changes to the Buckinghamshire Council website.

- 1.1 It is recommended that Members agree to write to BMKALC noting their commitment to continuing “to explore alternative avenues” and formally requesting the detail of that work once it is completed.
- 1.2 To note that the Town Clerk is currently researching how other planning authorities approach these issues.
- 1.3 To agree to write to Buckinghamshire Council confirming if there are arrangements for in-person viewing of public comments.

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1.4 To agree that once these actions are completed a report be brought to this Committee with considered recommendations on how this matter should be progressed.

Cllr. Harvey requested that with regard to 1.3 we should also ask for a copy of the legal advice that the Shire Council received that underpins the decision that they made. The Town Clerk will ask this. **ACTION TOWN CLERK**

Cllr. Davies Proposed, Cllr. O'Donoghue Seconded and Members unanimously **AGREED** the recommendations with the above amendment to 1.3. **ACTION TOWN CLERK**

694/24 Action reports

694/24.1 Members noted the Regular Actions update

Minute (filing date)	File application responses	Minute	News Releases	Date of appearance
645/24	5 via Parish Channel			
25/3/25	1 (tree) via Comments button			

The Chair thanked Members, the Buckingham Society and Katharine for their work over the years.

Members thanked the Chair and the Vice-Chair for their work on the Planning Committee.

695/24 Date of the next meeting: Monday 19th May 2025

The meeting closed at 7:57pm.

Chair Date