

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE
OF BARTON-LE-CLAY PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT THE PARISH OFFICE
ON MONDAY 23rd MARCH 2026 COMMENCING AT 7.27pm**

Present: Councillors A Fletcher (Chair), K Qureshi (Vice-chair), W Rudd,
J Mikkelson and J Paxton (ex-officio)

Attending: C Callen (Clerk) and Councillor B Thomas

Minutes Taken by: C Callen

25/548 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE – These were received from Councillor S Laycock.

25/549 SPECIFIC DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (*Cllrs may make declarations pertaining to the agenda at this point or at any point during the meeting*) – There were none.

25/550 MATTERS ARISING

There were none.

25/551 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 23rd FEBRUARY 2026

A copy of the minutes was provided to all members ahead of the meeting. Councillor Fletcher **PROPOSED** approval of the minutes of the Planning meeting held on 23rd February, **SECONDED** by Councillor Rudd **with 3 in favour and 2 abstentions**.

25/552 UPDATE ON PLANNING APPLICATIONS REFUSED/GRANTED

The list of planning application decisions was circulated to members prior to the meeting. A copy is provided within the minutes. This was acknowledged by members.

25/553 UPDATE ON ENFORCEMENT NOTICES – FOR INFORMATION ONLY

There were none.

25/554 TO CONSIDER NEW PLANNING APPLICATIONS

CB/26/00703/FULL, 1 Lancaster Close: Single storey side/rear extension and rooflight

- No comments

CB/26/00727/FULL, 130 Manor Road: First floor rear dormer extension

- No comments

25/555 TO REVIEW NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN POLICIES

Following adoption of the Plan, members now need to review the policies on an ongoing basis to ensure they remain fit for purpose and are correctly interpreted when considering responses to planning applications.

Members discussed bungalow adaptations and permitted development regulations, including where a downstairs bedroom and bathroom are retained.

Members then discussed dementia and age-friendly community plans for the Village.

ACTION – Clerk to complete the age-friendly template plan of what is already in place and then the working group can consider any gaps going forward

25/556 ANY OTHER BUSINESS OF AN URGENT NATURE OR FOR INCLUSION ON THE NEXT AGENDA

Councillor Fletcher raised the latest news from Blake Stephenson MP, regarding the Government's confirmation that new towns, such as those planned for Milton Keynes and Tempsford, would now count towards the local authorities housebuilding targets. This could be good news for Villages such as Barton-le-Clay and may stop speculative developments, such as Greenwoods, getting considered.

Meeting closed at 7.48pm