



MINUTES OF PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING

held on Tuesday 7th April 2026

The meeting took place at The Market House, Market Place, Castle Cary, BA7 7AH

Town Councillors attending: Trevor Oats (Chair), Frances Alden, Philippa Biddlecombe, Gavin Crisp, Dave Gill, and Angela Piggot.

Ansford Parish Councillors attending: None

Somerset Councillors: None

Officer: Terena Isaacs - Deputy Town Clerk

The meeting started at 7.30pm

8 members of the public present.

P35 To receive apologies for absence

Apologies from Linda Ball, David Bright, Margaret Bebbington, Judi Morison and Pek Peppin.

P36 To approve minutes for Monday 2nd February 2026

Proposed to Approve the minutes by FA Seconded by PB Vote 5 for 1 abstained

P37 To receive Declarations of Interest

None

P38 Discuss the principle of reviewing the Neighbourhood Plan

The chair gave an update on the Neighbourhood Plan giving details of why a review is so important. The working group will be meeting to discuss further with the new plan being available in 2028.

P39 To consider the list of applications received (as at 1st April 26) detailed below

Application No	Proposal	Applicant details
26/00492/HOU	Extension of dwelling (former annex) to provide first floor accommodation with rear balcony and the erection of a front porch	Annex, Shipley Gate Smallway Lane Galhampton Yeovil Somerset BA22 7AF
Members of the public spoke of their concerns in relation to this application. The planning consultant for this application also provided the committee with additional information. Discussion held and the committee proposed to recommend this application go to Somerset Councils planning committee for decision, because of prior advice given by the planning department to previous owners. Proposed by TO Seconded by DG Vote unanimous		
Consultation on amendments to planning application 25/01742/FUL	Replacement of CATS store with the construction of a Community Hub building offering communal workspace at ground floor level and office for management company above.	Land At Olympic Drive Castle Cary Somerset BA7 7AR
Members of the public provided the committee of their ongoing concerns with the Community Hub building and the future use of the building. Application fully discussed, with the committee unable to make a proposal for this application, due to the undetermined future use of the community hub.		
26/00453/FUL	Erection of self-build dwellinghouse with garage and conversion of existing barn to associated annexe	Land Adjacent The Pines North Street Castle Cary Somerset BA7 7AY
Application fully discussed and proposal made to support this application. Proposed by TO Seconded by DG Vote unanimous		
26/00532/TCA	Notification of intent to Fell No. 3 Trees, Fell No. 1 Group of Trees and carry out Tree Surgery Works to No. 1 Group of trees within a Conservation Area. T1,2,3 - Sycamores - Fell G1 - Goat willow stems - Fell Cut the overgrown hedge (consisting of Hawthorns and Holly) line G2 to approx 2ft allowing it to regrow and be maintained as a hedge.	Dave Marsh Hardware Fore Street Castle Cary Somerset BA7 7BG
Noted by committee		

The meeting ended at 8.27pm
Terena Isaacs
Deputy Town Clerk