



MINUTES OF PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING

held on Monday 3rd August 2026

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

Town Councillors attending: Trevor Oats (Chair), Linda Ball, Margaret Bebbington, Gavin Crisp and Angela Piggot

Ansford Parish Councillors attending: None

Somerset Councillors: None

Officer: Terena Isaacs - Deputy Town Clerk

The meeting started at 7pm

No public present.

P07 To receive apologies for absence

Apologies from Philippa Biddlecombe, David Bright, David Gill, Judi Morison and Pek Peppin

P08 To approve minutes for Monday 6th July 2026

Minutes approved and signed

P09 To receive Declarations of Interest

None

P10 To give an update on the Neighbourhood/Local plan and to note a communication received in relation to recent meetings

Neighbourhood/Local plan update provided by Trevor Oats. Communication shared prior to the meeting and noted.

P11 To note the Somerset Local Plan Consultation date has been extended to Sunday 9th August 26

Noted

P12 To discuss and respond to 'Has Somerset's Planning Service Improved?'

Discussion held and unanimously decided not to respond

P13 To consider the list of applications received (as of 29th July 2026) detailed below

Application No	Proposal	Applicant details
26/00156/FUL	Erection of new ecosphere structure to house a succulent plant collection together with related services and visitor facilities, as an extension to the existing visitor attraction at The Newt in Somerset; associated access, landscape and drainage works, including temporary construction access from Cary Edge Lane	Land OS 3426 Hadspen Estate Bratton Seymour Wincanton Castle Cary (GR:366280/131275)
Application fully discussed and noted		
26/01662/HOU	Proposed single storey front extension with disabled access wet room and wheelchair accessible ramped path.	24A Florida Fields Castle Cary Somerset BA7 7DL
Application fully discussed and proposal made to support this application.		
Proposed by MB Seconded by LB Vote unanimous		

The meeting ended at 7.15pm
Terena Isaacs
Deputy Town Clerk