

Minutes of a meeting of the PLANNING AND HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE held in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Market Square, Crewkerne on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2026 at 18.45.

**PRESENT:**

Councillors S. Ashton, R. Cosgrove, K. Head, D. Livesley, P. Maxwell, J. Morris, J. Nathan (Chair), C. Rawe, A. Samuel, A. Stuart

In attendance: G. Hughes (Town Clerk) and S. Syeda Bowen (Deputy Clerk) and four members of the public

**084 TO NOTE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

25/26

Apologies were received from Councillors. M. Best and N. Draycott (personal).

**085 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

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No declarations of interest were made.

**086 TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

25/26

It was AGREED that the minutes of the Planning and Highways Committee held on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2026 be APPROVED.

**087 OPEN FORUM**

25/26

One member of the public spoke regarding planning application 26/00710/FUL. The property was previously used for storing scaffolding; it is now proposed to use the site as a mobile tyre fitting service

**088 TO RECEIVE THE CLERK'S UPDATE REPORT**

25/26

- There are roadworks affecting stretches of the A30, from 11<sup>th</sup> May 2026 for 4 days between 0930-1530, including:  
Mount Pleasant  
Yeovil Road  
Foxhole Lane to Middle Chinnock  
Cod Lane to Broad Lane, East Chinnock
- There will be roadworks on 12<sup>th</sup> May 2026 between 0930-1530, along:  
Merriott Road  
Egwood Hill, Lopen  
Hinton St George
- There will be roadworks from 11<sup>th</sup> May for 10 nights between 1830-2330 each night on:  
Market Street  
Hermitage Street  
West Street  
Barn Street  
Gouldsbrook Terrace

Lyewater  
Chard Road

- There is a Highways Walkaround planned for Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> May 2026 at 1100 for councillors to raise issues with Highways Officers, Somerset Highways Officers.

089 **TO CONSIDER PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

25/26

**New Applications – Somerset Council**

26/00693/FUL                    **North Street Trading Estate North Street Crewkerne Somerset TA18 7AW**  
Public realm artwork installation

Councillors asked the clerk to submit COMMENTS ONLY to request detailed plans of the proposed artwork, the exact installation location and confirmation of any ongoing maintenance and insurance arrangements.

26/00936/HOU                    **26 Court Barton Crewkerne Somerset TA18 7HP**  
Proposed Rear First Floor Extension. Replacement door and windows to front elevation

Councillors voted IN FAVOUR of the planned improvements.

26/00710/FUL                    **Former Denholm Industrial Services Blacknell Lane Crewkerne Somerset TA18 7HE**  
Erection of steel framed and plastisol coated profiled steel cladded storage building.

Councillors voted IN FAVOUR of the proposed changes but requested the clerk ask whether an application would be necessary for the site to change from storage only to a work location.

090 **TO RECEIVE PLANNING DECISION NOTICES FROM SOMERSET COUNCIL**

25/26

26/00894/DOC1                    **Land Adjacent Cloudshill Hewish Lane Crewkerne Somerset**  
Discharge of Condition No. 4 (External Lighting) and No. 12 (Materials) of Planning Application 25/01453/S73

NOTIFICATION ONLY

26/00733/DOC1                    **Land South Of Crewkerne Key Site Off Station Road Crewkerne Somerset TA18 8AE**  
Discharge of condition No.10 (Sustainable Surface Water Drainage Scheme) of planning application 24/02059/FUL

NOTIFICATION ONLY

26/00766/TCA                    **Poples End, Poples Well Crewkerne TA18 7ES**  
Notification of intent to Fell No. 1 Tree within a Conservation Area. T1 - Larch, it is not in good health. Branches have been dying and dropping off for two or three years. Fell and plant a new larch.

NOTIFICATION ONLY

- 26/00369/TCA      **33 Lyme Road Crewkerne Somerset TA18 8HE**  
Notification of intent to Fell No. 1 Tree within a Conservation Area.  
T1 - Norway maple, it has become very large with branches growing over the footpath at the rear and over into the garden of a neighbouring property. I would like to fell the tree to avoid future issues again. The tree is touching the fencing, so is not in an ideal location.
- NOTIFICATION ONLY
- 26/00256/TPO      **5 Alder Grove Crewkerne Somerset TA18 7DJ**  
Application to carry out Tree Surgery works to No. 1 Tree as shown within the South Somerset District Council (CREW 1) 2007 Tree Preservation Order.  
T1 - Fraxinus Excelsior - Pollard to Approx 3M from ground level due to Hymenoscyphus Fraxineus.
- APPLICATION REFUSED
- 24/00735/OUT      **Land Off Longstrings Lane Broadshard Road Crewkerne**  
Outline application with some matters reserved for the erection of 2 No. dwellings with access and landscaping.
- ALLOWED SUBJECT TO CONDITIONS
- 26/00676/HOU      **1 Bushfield Road, Crewkerne TA18 8HL**  
To remove existing lean-to roof, conservatory, garage, shower room and shed and erect new single storey side and rear extension.
- APPLICATION APPROVED
- 26/00435/REM      **Unit 3 Holly Tree Farm Longstrings Lane Crewkerne Somerset TA18 7EA**  
Reserved Matters Application for the approval of Appearance, Landscaping, Layout and Scale for the erection of 1 self-build dwelling (Unit 3, Phase One) following outline approval 24/00735/OUT; Erection of 2 No. dwellings with access and landscaping, allowed on Appeal with modifications
- APPLICATION PERMITTED WITH CONDITIONS
- 26/00436/REM      **Unit 4 Holly Tree Farm Longstrings Lane Crewkerne Somerset TA18 7EA**  
Reserved Matters Application for the approval of Appearance, Landscaping, Layout and Scale for the erection of 1 self-build dwelling (Unit 4, Phase Two) following outline approval 24/00735/OUT; Erection of 2 No. dwellings with access and landscaping, allowed on Appeal with modifications
- APPLICATION PERMITTED WITH CONDITIONS
- 26/00962/TCA      **The Orchards Orchard Lane Crewkerne Somerset TA18 7AF**  
Notification of intent to carry out Tree Surgery works to No. 1 Tree within a Conservation Area. T1 Robinia pseudo acacia; carry out the removal of mistletoe, dead, diseased, damaged and defected limbs, carry out a 10% crown thin. Safety prune is required to remove the risk of further limbs

falling. To reduce risk of weighted branches especially over the Orchard Lane. To promote vigour and good health.

NOTIFICATION ONLY

091 **To note an Enhanced Maintenance Scheme from Somerset Council**

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Councillors noted the report on the Enhanced Maintenance Scheme.

092 **TAYLOR WIMPEY / HIGHWAYS**

25/26

The Deputy Clerk provided the following updates:

- traffic management on Station Road is currently due to be in place until the 31<sup>st</sup> August.
- Services on Station Road for the traffic signals are currently being installed.
- A National Grid diversion will be required of the existing electric cables. Date to be confirmed.
- A BT diversion will take place at the end of May.
- Carrying out mass earthworks as fill material to bring the new CLR road up to the level of Station Road.
- Testing the material as they fill to ensure it has a suitable bearing capacity.

Finally, Taylor Wimpey is hoping to have the s278 legal agreement for the Yeovil Road junction signed by the end of this month. This will allow them to submit detailed highway drawings to Somerset Council for their review. Approval of this will allow progress with the northern junction. Traffic management is still to be confirmed, but they hope to do these works in September.

093 **TO RECEIVE THE UPDATED ACTION STATUS REPORT**

25/26

The following matters were noted:

- Miller's Garage – Application has been approved by Somerset Council.
- Gullies – Somerset Council sent out a Verge Maintenance Schedule.

Councillors advised of Introduction to Planning meeting taking place on Friday 29 May 2026 at 1900 at the George Reynolds Centre.

094 **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

25/26

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June 2026, 18.45 in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Market Square

The meeting closed at 19.04

**Signed:** .....

**Dated:** .....

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