

Haverhill Town Council

Minutes of a Meeting of Haverhill Town Council's

PLANNING COMMITTEE



HAVERHILL
TOWN COUNCIL

Held at Haverhill Arts Centre on Monday 15th December 2025 at 7.00pm

Present: Councillor P Hanlon (Chairman)
Councillor A Brown (Vice Chairman)
Mayor Q Cox
Councillor M Martin
Councillor D Smith

Apologies: Councillor A Luccarini
Vicky Phillips, Deputy Town Clerk
Mr E Pinnock

In Attendance: Colin Poole, Town Clerk
Councillor J Burns
County Councillor D Roach

There were no members of the public present:

Welcome:

Councillor P Hanlon welcomed everyone to the meeting and advised that the meeting was being recorded.

P25 Apologies for Absence

/224 The above apologies were noted.

P25 Declarations of Interest and requests for Dispensation

/225 None

P25 Minutes of the Meeting 1st December 2025

/226 It was proposed by Councillor D Smith seconded by Councillor A Brown, that the minutes of the meeting held 1st December 2025 were approved as a true record by show of hands.

RESOLVED

P25 Matters Arising from the Minutes

/227 P25/209 – The Clerk is still to contact the Portfolio holder regarding dilapidated buildings in Haverhill.

P25/221 – Cllr D Smith advised that West Suffolk had opened a enforcement action.

P25 For members of the public to speak on Planning Matters other than applications before the Committee

/228 County Councillor D Roach advised that the application for planning permission for the Widdington Skips site is shortly to be determined by Suffolk County Council. The officer recommendation is for approval, subject to conditions which Councillor Roach advised covered the matters of concern

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raised by the Town Council. Councillor A Brown asked that it be clarified that the reference to “inert waste and commercial skips” also prohibited non-inert waste in the skips. It was understood that the early morning start issue was mitigated by a requirement for quiet work only. He would check that “plant” covered dragging empty skips, as that was not quiet work.

P25 /229 Planning Applications determined by the Clerk and Chair under Delegated Powers (List A attached appendix i)
None.

P25 /230 Planning Applications currently before West Suffolk District Council and received by publication of agenda (List B attached)
Applications determined by the Committee are shown on List B attached to the Minutes, see Appendix (i).

P25 /231 To consider Street Trading Licences
None.

P25 /232 Matters to report
None

P25 /233 Date of next Meeting
The next meeting of the Planning Committee will be held on Monday 12th January 2026

P25 /234 Closure
The meeting was closed at 7.52pm.

Signed
Chairman

Date.....

Appendix (i)

List A – Approved by Chairman and Clerk under delegated powers

		PLAN NO.	PROPOSAL	LOCATION	TOWN COUNCIL DECISION
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List B – To be considered at the Committee Meeting

		PLAN NO.	PROPOSAL	LOCATION	TOWN COUNCIL DECISION
24/11/2025 Expires 15/12/2025	1	DC/25/0962/FUL	Change of use and construction of second floor extension to existing public house to create nine flats (class C3) and three commercial units (class E) Mr P Patel	The Vixen, Millfields Way	OBJECT Proposed Cllr A Brown, Seconded Cllr M Martin
<p>Whilst the council is supportive of the development of this site as presented, we are aware that the parking provision is not in accordance with parking policy. Therefore, the development needs a planning condition that the applicant must enter into an agreement with West Suffolk Property Services to improve the parking capacity of the public car park, in order to mitigate the impact of the development on the amenity. We would like to see a s106 agreement that the developer contributes to upgrading the car park to have a similar parking system as West Suffolk Car Parks have at Morton Hall in Bury St Edmunds. In addition, the commercial bin store access is impractical, as it will be blocked by parked vehicles, which is self-evident from the drawings. It appears relatively straightforward to combine the residential and commercial bin stores and provide a better solution. Therefore, the Town Council OBJECTS to the proposal on these two issues</p>					
26/11/2025 Expires 26/11/2025	2	DC/25/1783/HH	a. air source heat pump to side elevation b. roof mounted solar PV to front and side elevations Mr Clive Boase	Cowslip Pightle, Burton End	NEUTRAL Proposed Cllr D Smith, Seconded Cllr A Brown
26/11/2025 Expires 26/11/2025	3	DC/25/1784/LB	a. air source heat pump to side elevation b. roof mounted solar PV to front and side elevations Mr Clive Boase	Cowslip Pightle, Burton End	NEUTRAL Proposed Cllr D Smith, Seconded Cllr A Brown

		PLAN NO.	PROPOSAL	LOCATION	TOWN COUNCIL DECISION
26/11/2025 Expires 17/12/2025	4	DC/25/1864/HH	a. rebuild bay windows and insertion of two apex windows to front.	Long Drive, Wrattling Road	NEUTRAL Proposed Cllr D Smith, Seconded Cllr M Martin

List C– To be considered at the Committee Meeting

		NEW / RENEWAL/ VARIATION	PROPOSAL	LOCATION	TOWN COUNCIL DECISION