

**Melksham Town Council**  
**Minutes of the Economic Development & Planning Committee**  
**on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> May 2025**

PRESENT: Councillor S Rabey (Chair)  
Councillor R Cleary  
Councillor G Elson  
Councillor A Griffin  
Councillor C Stokes  
Councillor A Westbrook (as sub for Councillor P Aves)

IN ATTENDANCE Councillor Mark Harris of Melksham Without Parish Council

OFFICERS Andrew Meacham Committee Clerk

PUBLIC: No members of the public or press were present

**1/25 Apologies**

Apologies were received from Councillor Aves, who was substituted by Councillor A Westbrook, and from Councillor Alford.

**2/25 Declaration of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

**3/25 Public Participation**

Councillor Harris advised members that he was not present for a particular item but in a spirit of co-operation between councils.

**4/25 Minutes**

The minutes of 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2025, having been previously circulated, were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair Councillor Rabey.

**5/25 PL/2025/03212**

Standing Orders were suspended to allow Councillor Harris to speak.

It was proposed by Councillor A Westbrook, seconded by Councillor Cleary and

**UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** not to object to the application.

**6/25 PL/2025/03671**

It was proposed by the Town Mayor Councillor Rabey, seconded by Councillor Elson and

**UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** not to object to the application.

**7/25 PL/2025/03705**

It was proposed by Councillor Cleary, seconded by Councillor Elson and

**UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** not to object to the application.

**8/25 PL/2025/04140**

It was proposed by Councillor Cleary, seconded by Councillor Elson and

**UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** not to object to the application.

**9/25 PL/2025/01940**

The decision was noted.

**10/25 PL/2025/02375**

The decision was noted.

**11/25 PL/2025/03743**

The decision was noted.

**12/25 PL/2023/06976**

The decision was noted

**13/25 PL/2025/02540**

The decision was noted.

**14/25 PL/2025/01372**

The decision was noted.

**15/25 PL/2025/00279**

The decision was noted.

**16/26 Request for Bus Shelter at the bus stop near Queensway Chapel in Melksham.**

It was proposed by the Town Mayor Councillor Rabey, seconded by Councillor Elson and

**UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** that a survey be conducted of existing bus shelters managed by Melksham Town Council and that the clerk do explore all options for funding of a proposed new bus shelter and for replacement of existing ones that are beyond repair or too expensive to repair.

### **17/25 Proposed Traffic Regulation Order for Consultation**

It was proposed by the Town Mayor Councillor Rabey, seconded by Councillor Stokes and

**UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** that the proposal and details of how to respond to the consultation would be put on Melksham Town Council social media.

### **18/25 Temporary Road Closure Notifications**

The temporary road closures were noted.

### **19/25 WFT Festival 2025**

Standing Orders were suspended to allow Councillor Harris to speak.

Councillor Griffin said that subject to checking his diary, he was free.

It was agreed that Councillor Griffin would represent Melksham Town Council at the Licensing Committee meeting.

### **20/25 Parish Steward**

Bus shelters, foliage obstructing pathways.

Graffiti on bridge. Committee clerk will report again on MyWilts.

Meeting closed at: 7:30pm

Signed .....

Dated .....