

Melksham Town Council

Minutes of the Economic Development & Planning Committee

on Tuesday 20th 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 22nd 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