

# Axminster Town Council

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### Minutes of the meeting of the Planning Committee 28<sup>th</sup> July 2025

#### DRAFT MINUTES – YET TO BE APPROVED

Held in person at the Guildhall on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> July 2025 at 6.45 p.m.

Present: Cllrs. Leat (SL) (Chair), Bridge (PB), Dowdeswell (MD), Farrow (JF), Hayward (AH), Osborn (RO), Paice (EP), Price (JP), Walden (JW) and Willey (DW).

#### Meeting was declared quorate as per Standing Orders.

Town Clerk, Paul Hayward.

EDDC Cllr. Sarah Jackson.

No members of the public were in attendance.

*Meeting was audio recorded as per Council policy. Chair opened the meeting, welcomed those in attendance and outlined fire precautions and identified fire exits.*

#### Public Forum session.

No public forum representations. Chair closed the public forum at 6.46pm.

#### PLAN25/032

##### To note members of committee present for all or part of the meeting:

Attendance at meeting shown above. Meeting was declared quorate.

#### PLAN25/033

##### To note and, if thought fit, to approve apologies for absence:

Cllr. Dunsbury was absent due to a work commitment. Absence noted and apology approved. **Proposed by Chair, seconded by JP. Resolved unanimously.**

#### PLAN25/034

##### To note members of committee not otherwise present and to receive any other apologies for absence:

Cllrs. Hurren, Keen and Warwick were not present. Noted.

*Continued overleaf.*

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## PLAN25/035

To receive any declarations of interest from members of the committee in relation to items of business on this agenda and to note any dispensations previously afforded:

*This does not preclude the need for members to declare any additional interests that may arise during this meeting.*

*AH declared an "Affects NRI" as she works for the marketing agent for the property being considered under agenda item PLAN25/038(i). Noted. No further declarations.*

## PLAN25/036

To consider and, if thought fit, to approve the minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held in consultative session on 26<sup>th</sup> June 2025 and to consider any matters arising from those minutes:

*Approval of the minutes proposed by Chair, seconded by JW. Resolved unanimously.*

No matters arising.

## PLAN25/037

To consider any matters listed on this agenda that Councillors consider should be dealt with as confidential business as per the provisions of The Public Bodies (Admission to meetings) Act 1960: None raised by committee members.

## PLAN25/038

To consider planning applications (as shown below) advised by the Local Planning Authority (East Devon District Council) prior to the agenda publication:

i) 25/1421/COU – Unit 10 Weycroft Avenue, Millwey Ind. Estate. Axminster, EX13 5PH  
Change of use from storage facilities (B8) to mixed use incl. brewery, taproom, retail and ancillary offices.

*It was proposed by Chair, seconded by DW, that the Council supports this application. The proposal to Support was unanimously resolved.*

## PLAN25/039

To consider planning applications advised by the Local Planning Authority (East Devon District Council) after the agenda publication and as shown on the supplementary agenda published (if applicable):

*None to be considered.*

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## PLAN25/040

To consider planning applications advised by the Local Planning Authority (East Devon District Council) that relate to adjacent parishes where the Town Council's views are being sought (if applicable):

*None to be considered.*

## PLAN25/041

To ratify decisions made under delegated authority afforded to the Chair of Planning Committee and the Proper Officer by the Town Council in matters pertaining to minor planning applications.

i) 25/1452/FUL – 1 Morton Way, Boxfield Road, Axminster, EX13 5LE

Two storey side extension.

*Supported by Chair of Planning Committee subject to clarification of building control matter relating to position of proposed internal staircase.*

ii) 25/1396/FUL – Land east of Pudleylake Rd 300m south of A358 junction (relates to Gt. Trill Farm).

Creation of an agricultural access.

*Supported by Chair of Planning Committee.*

iii) 24/2650/MFUL – Land at Newlands Farm, Crewkerne Rd. Axminster. EX13 5SF.

Construction and operation of 80MW battery energy storage system (BESS)

(additional planning information provided).

*It is proposed by Chair of Planning Committee that Town Council re-affirms its opposition to the planning application as submitted.*

iv) 25/1472/FUL – 10 Prestor, Axminster, EX13 5BR

Single storey side extension and formation of additional parking to front of property.

*Supported by Chair of Planning Committee.*

v) 25/1471/FUL – No. 6 Weycroft Avenue, Millwey Ind. Estate, Axminster, EX13 5HU

Proposed extension to industrial/warehouse building.

*Supported by Chair of Planning Committee.*

vi) 25/1461/FUL – 1 Beavor Cottages, Beavor Lane, Axminster, EX13 5EQ

Erection of potting shed and greenhouse in rear garden and replacement fence panels (retrospective).

*Supported by Chair of Planning Committee.*

*Chair proposed that all decisions above be ratified. Seconded JW. Resolved unanimously.*

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## PLAN25/042

To consider planning applications advised by the Local Planning Authority (East Devon District Council) that relate to tree matters (TPO/TRE):

None to be considered.

## PLAN25/043

To note planning applications received but subsequently withdrawn prior to consideration.

None advised.

## PLAN25/044

To consider any planning correspondence:

None to be considered.

## PLAN25/045

To consider any matters considered as urgent by the presiding Chair:

None raised by Chair, members or Clerk.

## PLAN25/046

To note date of next scheduled meeting of the Planning Committee:

Meeting to be arranged if necessary – check website/noticeboard for details.

With no further business to attend to, the Chair closed the meeting at 6.50 pm.

Signed ..... Date:

Axminster Town Council

Minutes of the meeting of the Planning Committee 28th July 2025

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