

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING HELD IN HARTLEY LIBRARY ON 21st MAY 2025 AT 10:00 a.m.

Present:

Cllr L Abraham
Cllr J Colwell
Cllr L Driscoll
Cllr B Ramsay
Cllr I Ross
Cllr V Sewell

In attendance:
Mrs J Tyrrell (*Assistant Clerk*)

1. Election of Chairman of the Planning Committee

RESOLVED: That,
Cllr Mr L Abraham be elected the Chairman of the Planning Committee until the Annual Meeting of the Council in May 2026.

2. Election of Vice Chairman of the Planning Committee

RESOLVED: That,
Cllr Mr I Ross be elected Vice Chairman of the Planning Committee until the Annual Meeting of the Council in May 2026.

3. Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Oxtoby and Cllr Glander.

4. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

5. Minutes of the previous meeting.

RESOLVED: That,
the minutes of the meeting of the Planning Committee held on 30th April 2025 be approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

6. Planning applications

a) 25/01004/FUL Foxdale, Russell Square, Bramblefield Close. Erection of additional storey to existing dwelling and its subdivision into two dwellings, erection of fencing.

RESOLVED: That,
An objection be raised in respect of application 25/01004/FUL Foxdale, Russell Square, Bramblefield Close. Erection of additional storey to existing dwelling and its subdivision into two dwellings, erection of fencing. The Parish Council objects to this

application. It has concerns that by subdividing this property into two dwellings, this will exacerbate the existing problems on the development. There has already been the demolition of many of the existing garages and now, with the changes to the demographics on the estate*, more families are moving onto a development once designated for elderly residents, and by association, more cars are on an estate not originally designed for so many cars.

b) 25/01153/FUL Annexe at Fairfields, Manor Lane. Change of use of an existing ancillary building to a single dwelling with associated external alterations, entrance porch, landscaping and access.

RESOLVED: That,

An objection be raised in respect of application 25/01153/FUL Annexe at Fairfields, Manor Lane. Change of use of an existing ancillary building to a single dwelling with associated external alterations, entrance porch, landscaping and access. The Parish Council considers this a new dwelling within the Green Belt that is not ancillary to the main dwelling.

c) 25/01043/LDCPR 22, Old Downs. Convert existing swimming pool into a family annexe with rooflights.

RESOLVED: That,

An objection be raised to application 25/01043/LDCPR 22, Old Downs. Convert existing swimming pool into a family annexe with rooflights. The Parish Council believes that the existing swimming pool is located too far away from the main property to be classed as an annexe.

7. Planning Decisions

RESOLVED: That,

The following planning decisions be received and noted:

Application no	Site	Description and SDC decision	HPC comment
24/03043/HOUSE	Hillside, Manor Drive	4 No. Air Conditioning units on the side elevation of the dwelling. Granted	No objection
25/00317/HOUSE	Mimosa, Ash Road	Erection of an annexe, store, demolition of two buildings and removal of hardstanding Granted	Hartley Parish Council objects to the proposed development The Parish Council considers the proposal to be inappropriate development, harmful to the openness of the Green Belt and contrary to Policy GB3.

8. Planning Enforcement Updates

A verbal report was given on the current enforcement cases.

9. Neighbourhood Plan - RACE (Rural and Community Housing Enabling) – Housing Needs Survey

As part of the Neighbourhood Plan, a “Hartley Housing Needs Survey” was conducted in conjunction with RACE (Rural and Community Housing Enabling). They are seeking consent from the Parish Council to make the Housing Needs Report available on their website.

Members considered the request to publish this information on the RACE website and had no objection to it.

RESOLVED: That,

Consent is given to R.A.C.E to publish the “Hartley Housing Needs Survey” on their website.

10. Date of the next meeting

Wednesday 4th June 2025, commencing at 10:00 a.m.

The meeting closed at 10:25 a.m.

Signed:

Date:

Chairman of the Planning Committee.