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BLANDFORD FORUM TOWN COUNCIL

A Meeting of the Planning Committee

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MINUTES

Held on:	Monday, 02 November 2026 at 7:00 pm in the Corn Exchange
Present:	All Councillors; Cllr N Lacey-Clarke (Acting Chairman/Vice- Chairman), Cllr C Stevens, Cllr S Hitchings (Acting Vice- Chairman), Cllr R Holmes, Cllr S Chapman, Cllr T Clarkson, Cllr S Morgan, Cllr M Spruce, Cllr M Putt, Cllr B Quayle, Cllr H Miéville, Cllr Y Miéville, Cllr L Hitchings, Cllr G Del-Pinto
Officers Present:	Committee Clerk, Operations Manager
In attendance:	Press (0), Members of the public (0) On Teams (1)

P6.1 Public Session

Members of the public were invited to make representations to the Council on any matters relating to the work of the Council or to raise any issues of concern. The following points were raised:

P6.2 Apologies

Officer report P6.2 was received and it was **RESOLVED** unanimously to

Accept apologies for absences from Cllr Quayle due to personal conflicting engagements.

ACTION: MAYOR'S ASSISTANT

P6.3 Declarations of Interest

Cllr Stevens declared a declaration of interest regarding planning application P/VOC/2026/06025 due to being a neighbour and will abstain from voting.

P6.4 Minutes

Minutes of the previous Planning Committee were received and **RESOLVED** unanimously that

The minutes of Monday, 12 October 2026 be approved for signing as a true record of the decisions taken

ACTION: COUNCILLOR LACEY-CLARKE

P6.5 Planning Report to the Committee

The report was received and noted. Additional information was provided-

Bus Service to Wimborne- The clerk suggested the council create a social media post regarding a potential bus service to Wimborne which members were in agreement of.

Change of meeting date- The Planning meeting scheduled for Monday 11th January 2027 will now be moved to Monday 18th January 2027, the Recreation and Amenities meeting will follow.

P6.6 Planning Applications

Officer report P6.6 was received and it was **RESOLVED** to submit the following planning application responses to the Local Planning Authority

Application No & Address	Application Detail	Resolution including votes for, against and abstentions
P/FUL/2026/05600 Wessex Court Blandford Forum DT11 7RH	Erection of Pole-Mounted ANPR Camera	**AGREED** (12 in favour,1 against) that the Town Council has **no objections** to the application Blandford + NP Policies: B10 Design Code: CA2 Built Form Code: 6
P/HOU/2026/05646 1 Milldown Road Blandford Forum DT11 7DB	Erect a single storey side extension. Remove first floor rear windows and replace with larger window, and replace side window glazing with obscure glass.	**AGREED** unanimously that the Town Council has **no objections** to the application. Blandford + NP Policies: B10 Design Code: CA2 Built Form Codes: 11, 15, 16
P/VOC/2026/06025 10 Andrew Close Blandford Forum DT11 7PG	Raising the roof ridge and convert the loft into bedrooms, with two dormer windows. (With Variation of condition 2 of planning permission P/HOU/2026/00474 to amend approved plans).	**AGREED** unanimously that the Town Council has **no objections** to the application Blandford + NP Policies: B10 Design Code: CA2 Built Form Code: 15 & 16
P/HOU/2026/05746 20 Albert Street Blandford Forum DT11 7HZ	Demolish boundary wall and enlarge access	**AGREED** (13 in favour, 1 non-vote) that the Town Council has **no objections** to the application Blandford + NP Policies: B10 Design Code: CA2 Built Form Code: 12

ACTION: COMMITTEE CLERK

P6.7 LGBCE Electoral Review of Dorset Council

Officer report P6.7 was received. It was proposed that

the Town Council reaffirm its previous position that the current arrangements are adequate at the present time whilst noting that future development north of the bypass may justify further consideration of electoral arrangements, **the motion fell**.

It was **RESOLVED** (11 in favour, 1 against, 1 abstention) to

support the draft recommendation provided by the Commission.

ACTION: COMMITTEE CLERK

There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 7:23pm.

These minutes will be considered for approval at the next meeting of the Planning Committee and, if approved, will be signed and dated by the Chair of that meeting.

Signed: _____ Date: _____