



HIGHLEY PARISH COUNCIL

PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING 12/5/2026 at 6pm Severn Centre, Highley

MINUTES

Present: Councillor T. Pinches (Chair) T. Quinn, S. Bunn, D. Thakrar, H. Hancox

Clerk: Alison Palmer

County Councillor: Sharon Ritchie-Simmons

PL/26-27/01. Apologies for Absence

Councillor Vinalls resignation was noted.

Power: Local Government Act 1972, Sch.12, para.40.

PL/26-27/02. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations made.

PL/26-27/03. Parishioners' Question Time

There were no members of public present

PL/26-27/04. Minutes

RESOLVED to approve the minutes from the Planning Committee meeting held on **Tuesday 21st April 2026**. *Power: Local Government Act 1972, Sch.12, para.41(1).*

PL/26-27/05. Planning Applications

There were no current applications received for discussion.

Power: Town and Country Planning Act 1990; Local Government Act 1972, s.101.

PL/26-27/06. Standing Agenda Item: County Councillor Report

Bus Shelter Update The County Councillor reported that Shropshire Council has confirmed its support for the **original proposed location** of the new bus shelter near **Netherton Workshops**, positioned on the grass verge.

New England Lane – HGV Restriction An update was provided regarding New England Lane. Shropshire Council is exploring the feasibility of installing **size limiters** on both sides of the ford to reinforce the existing HGV restriction. A **site visit is scheduled for 12th June**.

Malt Shovel – Fence and Fire Incident email responded to residents' concerns regarding the fencing around the Malt Shovel and the recent fire. The enforcement team attended promptly and **found no issues requiring action**.

Local Plan – Request for Agenda Item The County Councillor requested that an **update on the Local Plan from SRS** be added to the **June Planning Committee agenda** for discussion.

Enforcement Updates SRS provided further enforcement updates:

- **Castle Area Planting:** Contact has been attempted with the landowner regarding planting along the Castle boundary; however, **no response has been received**.
- **Silverwoods Site:** New owners have been identified. Enforcement officers have advised them that although the footprint is similar to previous proposals, a **new planning application** will be required.
- It was noted that **there is currently no provision for traveller sites in Shropshire**, therefore applications cannot be refused on the basis of directing them elsewhere.

PL/26-27/07. Planning Breaches – Reported Concerns and Required Action

No reports were received. *Power: Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (consultation powers only).*

PL/26-27/08. Updates to Respond Back to Committee from Previous Actions

No updates were received.

PL/26-27/09. Next Meeting Date

2nd June before full council.

PL/26-27/10. Exclusion of the Press and Public

To resolve that, under **Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960**, the press and public be excluded for the following item(s) due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

