



Minutes of the hybrid meeting of Planning Committee of the Town Council held on Monday, 19 January 2026 at 7.00pm face-to-face in the Town House, 19 Union Street, Yeovil BA20 1PQ and by video-conference using Zoom meeting software

Present (In person): Cllrs J Snell (Chair), B Boyton, T Casey, K Gill, A Kendall, G Oakes, K Parsons, W Read, A Richards, R Stickland and D Woan.

In Attendance (in person): L Ryder (Deputy Town Clerk) and A Card (Chief Executive/Town Clerk).

3 members of the public were present. No press was present

7.02pm – Meeting commenced.

11/248 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND TO CONSIDER THE REASONS GIVEN

Apologies were received from Cllrs J Cabell (work commitments), K Hussain (work commitments) J Jimba (unwell), J Lowery (personal reasons), H Stonier (conflicting engagement) and R White (personal reasons).

**Legislation requires that Councillors need to be physically present at the meeting to be shown as present. If a Councillor is unable to attend in person but can attend virtually, then apologies for absence should be given.*

RESOLVED: To accept the apologies with the reasons given.

11/249 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllrs Andrew Kendall, Graham Oakes, Wes Read, Jeny Snell and David Woan are members of Somerset Council. Cllr A Kendall is also a member of Somerset Council's Planning Committee – South, and whilst he might speak and possibly vote on applications which might be referred to that Council for determination, he would reconsider such applications at that level taking into account all relevant evidence and representations made at that tier.

Committee members declared an interest in application 25/02959/FUL – Octagon Theatre, Hendford, for the refurbishment and extension works as Yeovil Town Council are a partner in the development. Cllrs Karl Gill, Graham Oakes, Rob Stickland are also members of the Octagon Theatre Project Board.

11/250 MINUTES

To confirm as a correct record the minutes for the previous Planning Committee meeting held on 15th December 2025.

RESOLVED: that the minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 15th December 2025 be signed as a correct record.

11/251 PLANS LIST

(See table below)

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	APPLICATION NO. Parish Ward	Applicant	Site Address	Proposal	Resolutions
1	25/02959/FUL <i>Westlands</i>	Somerset Council	Octagon Theatre Hendford Yeovil Somerset BA20 1UX	Refurbishment and extensions to the Octagon Theatre. Improvements to the external areas with landscaping	The Committee noted this application.
2	25/03102/FUL <i>Westlands</i>	Mr Tom Morgan	17 Hendford Yeovil Somerset BA20 1UH	Conversion from C3 dwelling houses to a 15 person HMO (Sui Generis) with internal re-arrangements and external alterations.	Support, positive effect on a conservation area subject to the following: - Conservation Officer Report - Fire Compliance / Regulations
The agent for the application spoke to the Committee and answered a question regarding the fire escape.					
3	25/02282/FUL <i>Yeovil Lyde</i>	Mr Doug Joslin	17 Buckland Road Pen Mill Trading Estate Yeovil Somerset BA21 5HA	Proposed new storage building	Support, layout & density acceptable
4	25/03059/HOU <i>Crofton Park</i>	Mr & Mrs Darryl Koerner	19 Mitchelmore Road Yeovil Somerset BA21 4BA	Loft conversion with erection of rear dormer and render replacement.	Support, design & appearance acceptable
5	25/02982/FUL <i>Westlands</i>	Messrs J. & W. Habershon	Halifax Building Society King George Street Yeovil	Conversion of ground floor to provide up to 17 co-living rooms with associated communal facilities, bike and bin	Support, design & appearance acceptable, and

			Somerset BA20 1PT	storage and external works including fenestration changes and the removal of redundant bank equipment. No change to betting office use.	no detrimental impact on visual amenity
6	25/02988/S73 <i>Westlands</i>	Messrs J. & W. Habershon	Halifax Building Society King George Street Yeovil Somerset BA20 1PT	S73 Application to vary Conditions 02 (approved plans) to reflect proposed changes to the buildings and 03 (openings) to amend wording to remove reference to dormer windows relating to planning permission 25/00936/FUL; Conversion of mezzanine ground, first and second floors to provide 49 co-living rooms with associated communal facilities, bike and bin storage and external works including new window openings, dormer windows, roof lights, replacement windows and PV panels. Ground floor commercial uses to remain as existing (amended by 25/02965/NMA)	Support, design & appearance acceptable, and no detrimental impact on visual amenity

The applicants J. & W. Habershon attended the meeting and answered any questions in respect of the development.

At 7.40pm all the members of public left and did not return.

7	25/02862/FUL <i>Westlands</i>	Mr And Mrs T Corner	Land At 1 Hillgrove Avenue Yeovil Somerset	Erection of self-build single storey dwelling with detached garage to the land at the rear of existing dwelling and associated works. Demolish existing garage and workshop and replace with a larger combined garage and working shop for existing dwelling.	Support, design & appearance acceptable, and no detrimental impact on visual amenity. Layout & density acceptable.
8	25/03053/FUL <i>Westlands</i>	Mr. Steve Fowler	Former Rowcliffes Of Yeovil	Rebranding of existing buildings, alterations to external elevations and	Support, repurpose of an old building

			Summer House Terrace Yeovil Somerset BA20 1NL	minor alterations to boundary treatments. Erection of new valet building	
9	25/02914/HOU <i>Westlands</i>	Mr Richard Hanson	24 Dodham Crescent Yeovil Somerset BA20 2DT	Erection of a single storey flat roof rear extension	Support, layout & density acceptable

11/252 PLANNING DECISIONS

Members considered the planning decisions as per the agenda.

RESOLVED: that the decisions be noted.

The meeting closed at 7.43pm.

Signed:

Date: