



**Minutes of the Planning Committee meeting of Bearsted Parish Council held at Madginford Hall, Bearsted on Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> October 2024 at 7.30pm**

Present: Cllr Richard Ash MBE (Chairman)  
Cllr James Day  
Cllr Carolyn Smith  
Cllr Chris Waters

Also, in attendance was the Deputy Clerk, Amy Bush.

**Reports from members of the public.  
None**

**1. Declarations of intention to record**

The Deputy Clerk declared the meeting would be recorded for minuting purposes.

**2. Apologies and absences**

Apologies were received and noted from Cllr Martha Monday. Cllr Clive English was absent.

**3. Declaration of Interests, Dispensations, Predetermination or Lobbying**

None.

**4. Elect a committee Chairperson**

Cllr Waters nominated Cllr Ash, with no other nominations Cllr Ash was elected as Chairman with all in favour.

**5. Elect a committee Chairperson**

Cllr Ash nominated Cllr Day. With no other nominations Cllr Day was elected with all in favour.

**6. Terms of reference**

Cllr Ash suggested some minor changes to wording in the first paragraph. These were agreed with all in favour. The Deputy Clerk will amend.

**ACTION: Deputy Clerk**

**7. Office and Chair report**

The committee discussed how to manage the 21-day cycle to review applications. Cllr Waters to query how Thurnham PC manage the process. And will report back.

**ACTION: Cllr Waters**

**8. St Faiths**

The committee discussed the request for trenching in an area that has many protected trees. The request had been responded to by Cllr Hall, Bearsted Parish Council will await a TPO application before considering the request further.

**9. Planning Applications for consideration (Town and Country Planning Act 1990 s1p8)**

Reference	Address	Application	Recommendations / Comments	Call Request
		Nothing to review		

Plus, any additional applications received by the date of the meeting.

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**10. Kent Minerals & Waste Local Plan 2024-39**

The committee acknowledge the document with no comments.

**11. Planning Training for Committee members**

Cllr Ash and Cllr Waters completed the latest Bio diversity training. Introduction to Planning part one - completed by Cllr Smith and Cllr Waters. Introduction to Planning part 2 – Completed by Cllr Waters. The Deputy Clerk will request copies of the slides.

The Deputy Clerk will print MBC's latest list of planning policies for future reference.

**ACTION: Deputy Clerk**

**10. Other planning applications and consultations**

a) Local Plan

No Update

b) Court Farm

Cllr Waters reports no current activity. The Deputy Clerk will approach Cllr Springett and Cllr Spooner to request an update from MBC.

**ACTION: Deputy Clerk**

**11. Future agenda items**

Other local applications and consultations including: Local Plan and Court Farm.

Planning Training.

Review of MBC policies to support BPC recommendations.

**12. Date for the next meeting: 26<sup>th</sup> November 2024.**

There being no further business to transact, the meeting ended at 20.03 hrs.

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