

Minutes of the Planning Committee meeting of Bearsted Parish Council

Madginford Hall, Bearsted on Tuesday 24th February 2026 at 7.15pm

Present:

Cllr Richard Ash MBE (Chair)
Cllr Martha Monday (Vice Chair)
Cllr Jodie Pottage
Cllr Carolyn Smith

Also, in attendance was the Clerk Joanne Upton.

Reports from members of the public.

There were no members of the public.

1. Declarations of intention to record

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

2. Apologies and absences

Cllr Kapil Kaushik was absent.

3. Declaration of Interests, Dispensations, Predetermination or Lobbying

There were none declared.

4. Signing of the minutes of the last meeting

The minutes of the meeting on 25th November 2025 were agreed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

5. Office and Chair report

There was no report from the office.

The Chairman advised that BPC have commented on 44 applications since May and were in agreement with MBC on 40. The Chairman requested the Clerk contacts MBC to establish why no decision has been made on applications 25/503773 & 25/504137.

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

- a) 26/500359/FULL: 58 Roseacre Lane Bearsted Kent ME14 4JG. Cllr Ash proposed to recommend approval and not call to committee, this was seconded by Cllr Smith and resolved with all in favour.
- b) 26/500342/FULL: 73 Roseacre Lane Bearsted Kent ME14 4JG. Cllr Ash proposed to recommend approval and not call to committee, this was seconded by Cllr Monday and resolved with all in favour.
- c) 26/500361/FULL: 14 Manor Rise Bearsted Kent ME14 4DB. Cllr Ash proposed to recommend approval and not call to committee, this was seconded by Cllr Smith and resolved with all in favour.
- d) 26/500385/FULL: 6 Tower Lane Bearsted Kent ME14 4JJ. Cllr Ash proposed to recommend approval and not call to committee, this was seconded by Cllr Pottage and resolved with all in favour. The Committee noted that the neighbours objection to the garage but felt the large hedge at the front of the property would screen this.
- e) 26/500387/FULL: 61 Mallings Drive Bearsted Kent ME14 4HG. Cllr Pottage proposed to recommend approval and not call to committee, this was seconded by Cllr Monday and resolved with all in favour.
- f) 26/500461/FULL: 30 Otteridge Road Bearsted Kent ME14 4JR. Cllr Ash proposed to recommend approval and not call to committee, this was seconded by Cllr Pottage and resolved with all in favour.
- g) 26/500486/FULL: 1 Roseacre Gardens Bearsted Kent ME14 4JF. Cllr Monday proposed to recommend approval and not call to committee, this was seconded by Cllr Ash and resolved with all in favour.

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

25/501570/FULL Appeal: 3 Manor Close, Bearsted. The Committee previously responded 'no comment' to this application in May 2025. Cllr Ash proposed to not provide any further comments. This was seconded by Cllr Pottage and resolved with all in favour.

8. Future agenda items

Standing items.

9. Date for the next meeting: 24th March 2026

There being no further business to transact, the meeting ended at 19:37 hrs.

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