

MINUTES OF THE PLANNING, MAJOR DEVELOPMENTS, TRANSPORTATION AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE HELD AT THE COUNCIL OFFICES, THE GROVE, SWANSCOMBE ON WEDNESDAY 18 MARCH 2026 AT 7.00PM

PRESENT: Councillor Dawn Johnston – Chairman
Councillor Richard Lees – Vice Chairman
Councillor Lesley Howes
Councillor Graham Taylor

ALSO PRESENT: Graham Blew – Town Clerk
Indigo Allred – Administration Officer

ABSENT: Councillor Lorna Cross

513/25-26. ARRANGEMENTS AND CONSTRAINTS REGARDING FILMING OR RECORDING THE MEETING.

The Chairman explained the arrangements and constraints relating to the filming or recording of the meeting.

514/25-26. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

An apology for absence was received from Councillor Ann Duke, due to other commitments.

An apology for absence was received from Councillor Hazel Stephens, due to other commitments.

An apology for absence was received from Councillor Elizabeth Wickham, due to other commitments.

Recommended: That the reasons for absence, for the Councillor(s) listed, be formally accepted, and approved.

515/25-26. SUBSTITUTES.

There were none.

516/25-26. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA.

There were none.

As per Standing Order 34 c) the Chairman adjourned the meeting at this point to allow members of the public to address the meeting in relation to the business being transacted at the meeting.

517/25-26. ITEMS DEEMED URGENT BY THE CHAIRMAN / MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES AND THEIR POSITION ON THE AGENDA.

There were none.

518/25-26. TO CONFIRM AND SIGN THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 25 FEBRUARY 2026.

Recommended: That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 25 February 2026 were approved and signed as a true record.

519/25-26. GALLEY HILL TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE (p).

Members discussed the letter from the resident regarding the Galley Hill closure.

Recommended: That a response be sent thanking the resident for contacting the Town Council with his concerns and confirming that Members would continue to lobby KCC, KHS and the local MP.

520/25-26. HIGHWAYS IMPROVEMENT PLAN (HiP) (p).

Members discussed the response from KCC Councillor Thomas Mallon regarding signage options.

Recommended: That the Town Council add the request for additional signage to the Highway Improvement Plan.

521/25-26. The following planning applications had been received from Dartford Borough Council / Ebbsfleet Development Corporation / Kent County Council/ Gravesham Borough Council for Members observations (full details of these applications can be viewed via the Town Council, DBC, EDC GBC and the KCC websites).

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| DA/26/00264/FUL | Demolition of existing garage and front dormer. Erection of a front porch, single-storey side, rear, and lower ground floor basement extension with a terrace. Internal reconfiguration and alteration to external materials, fenestration, and roof. Mount Croft, 95 Mounts Road, Greenhithe. |
| OBSERVATIONS: | No observations, please ensure all neighbouring properties are consulted prior to the decision of the application. |
| DA/26/00297/TPO | Application for works to various trees subject to Tree Preservation Orders No. 11 1990 and 3 2008. Ingress Park Site, Ingress Park Avenue, Greenhithe. |
| OBSERVATIONS: | No observations, please ensure all neighbouring properties are consulted prior to the decision of the application. |

522/25-26. **The following Refused Decision Notices had been received from Dartford Borough Council / EDC for members information.**

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| DA/25/01458/COU | Change of use to a house of multiple occupation (HMO) (Sui Generis) for 10 people. 1 The Orchard Mounts Road, Greenhithe. |
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There being no further business to transact, the Meeting closed at 7.15 pm.

Signed: _____ Date: _____
(Chairman)

