

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE **PLANNING COMMITTEE** HELD ON **TUESDAY 18<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2025 AT 2.00 P.M.** AT NEWTON'S PLACE, WOLBOROUGH STREET, NEWTON ABBOT.

**PRESENT:** Councillors: N Yabsley (Chairperson, Presiding)  
G Jennings (Vice Chairperson)

Councillors: M Joyce  
C Parker  
M Ryan  
L Wood.

Officers in attendance: Phil Rowe, Town Clerk  
Linda McGuirk, Principal Administrator  
Pierre Doutreligne, Projects & Strategy Officer

291. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Valid reasons for absence were received on behalf of Councillors J Bradford, A Gibbs and A Hall.

An apology was also noted from Nigel Canham, Communications Advisor.

292. **INTERESTS**

None.

293. **MINUTES**

The minutes of the meeting of the Planning Committee held on 28<sup>th</sup> October 2025 were received and signed as a correct record.

294. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

None.

295. **CONSIDERATION OF LOCAL PLAN & NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN**

The Committee reaffirmed their recommendation that applications for all new build properties and where appropriate refurbished sites, give regard to the policies included in the Newton Abbot Neighbourhood Development Plan 2016-2033 (NANDP) which contributes to the District Local Plan. In particular, to the inclusion of renewables within the development as per Policy 1 NANDP and given the rise in electric vehicles, that any such application with an off-street parking space, consider the installation of an electrical vehicle charging point as per Policy 2 NANDP. In addition, the Committee recommended that new build properties should include provision for a sustainable heating system given the Government's intention to cease the use of mains gas central heating from 2025.

296. **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

Members considered the planning applications received since the last meeting of the Committee.

25/01738/TPO

St Josephs R C Primary School Coombeshead Road Newton Abbot Devon TQ12 1PT school

T015 Two Lawson Cypress trees – fell

**RECOMMENDATION: No objection**

25/01766/TPO

9 Howton Lane Newton Abbot Devon TQ12 6NH

Holm Oak - 1m crown lift to allow more space underneath the tree. 1m reduction of height overall, to allow more light into the garden itself

**RECOMMENDATION: No objection**

25/01765/TPO

Land At 282500 72440 Seale Hayne Newton Abbot Devon TQ12 6NH

Two Elm trees and 2 larger Ash trees dying from Ash Dieback Disease - recommend that all four are felled and removed

**RECOMMENDATION: No objection**

25/01739/TPO

Centrax Limited Shaldon Road Newton Abbot Devon TQ12 4SQ

T1 - Oak. prune off epicormic growth up to 6m and reduce lateral spread by 1-1.5m to give clearance to "communication dish" in gas compound.

T2 - Oak - dismantle to ground level.

T3 - Beech - dismantle to ground level

**RECOMMENDATION: No objection**

25/01807/HOU

35 Buckland Road, Newton Abbot

Removal of existing utility/store and construction of new single storey side extension.

**RECOMMENDATION: No objection**

25/01755/LBC

133 East Street Newton Abbot Devon TQ12 2LQ

Repair existing window frames and install double glazing casements within and repair and repaint bargeboards and fascias.

**RECOMMENDATION: No objection, provided that all proposed materials and finishes are appropriate to, and consistent with, the important historic fabric and character of the listed building.**

25/01716/FUL

Former ATS Euromaster The Avenue Newton Abbot Devon TQ12 2BZ

Change of use to a rental vehicle premises (Sui Generis) including parking (rental vehicle storage) and associated works including demolition of structures

**RECOMMENDATION: No objection**

25/01729/CAN

Acorn House 6C Forde Park Newton Abbot TQ12 1DE

American Sweetgum Tree – fell

**RECOMMENDATION: Members expressed concern about the loss of a healthy tree and requested that the matter be referred to the District Council’s Arboriculture Officer.**

25/01627/HOU

1 Decoy Road Newton Abbot Devon TQ12 1DY

Proposed side extension, with garage and utility/shower room

**RECOMMENDATION: No objection**

25/01690/CAN

Winterbourne 14 College Road Newton Abbot Devon TQ12 1EQ

Three Sycamore trees and a single Cherry tree - reduce their height to 12 meters from ground level and remove a single Cherry stem

**RECOMMENDATION: No objection**

25/01816/CAN

11 South Road Newton Abbot Devon TQ12 1HQ

Beech tree - crown lift of 2 metres and pruning

**RECOMMENDATION: No objection**

297. **DISTRICT COUNCIL – PLANNING COMMITTEE**

None.

298. **DEVON COUNTY COUNCIL APPLICATIONS**

None.

299. **PLANNING APPLICATIONS AT VARIANCE WITH TOWN COUNCIL’S OBSERVATIONS**

None.

300. **APPLICATIONS IN NEIGHBOURING PARISHES**

None.

301. **LATE CORRESPONDENCE**

None.

302. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> December 2025 at 2.00 p.m.

Meeting closed at 14:37 hrs

Chairperson..... Date.....