

MINUTES OF HORSMONDEN PARISH COUNCIL
PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD AT HORSMONDEN VILLAGE HALL
ON TUESDAY, 17 JUNE 2025 AT 8:00PM

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Present:

Cllrs Richards, Boon, Larkin, Davis, Russell, Sheppard, Baxter-Smith and Baylis

In attendance:

Anna Blyth (Deputy Clerk)

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr Jenkinson.

Cllrs Mobbs & Darrah.

Cllr Russell voted in favour of accepting the reasons for absence, seconded Cllr Baylis. Unanimous.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Declarations of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests in accordance with the Code of Conduct were invited.

None declared.

2. MINUTES OF PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETINGS

The Minutes of the Parish Council Planning Committee Meeting held on 19 May 2025 had been circulated beforehand by the Clerk. They were agreed for accuracy and proposed for acceptance by Cllr Davis, seconded Cllr Boon and voted for unanimously by those present at that meeting and signed by the Chair.

3. PUBLIC SESSION

Members of the public have the right to speak for up to three minutes at the Chair's discretion on issues concerning the Parish providing the Clerk has prior notification.

No members of the public had requested to speak in the public session.

4. PLANNING

a) Applications/Submissions:

Planning Application:	25/01236/LBC
Proposal:	<u>Listed Building Consent - Repoint entire barn.</u>
Location:	Spring Farm, Goudhurst Road, Horsmonden, Tonbridge, Kent TN12 8AY
Recommendation	Approval
Proposal	Cllr Baxter-Smith; seconded Cllr Davis. Unanimous.
Comments	Recommend acceptance subject to the Conservation Architect's approval. All works should be carried out in line with Horsmonden Parish Council's Sustainability Policy.

Planning Application:	25/01153/ADV
Proposal:	<u>Advertisement - (all illuminated) hand painted signage on front elevation; painted timber fascia on north elevation; signage to right elevation</u>
Location:	The Business Centre, Green Road, Horsmonden, Tonbridge, Kent TN12 8JS
Recommendation	Approval
Proposal	Cllr Baxter-Smith; seconded Cllr Russell. Unanimous.
Comments	The PC recommend approval to proposed signage. All works should be carried out in line with Horsmonden Parish Councils Sustainability policy.

Planning Application:	25/01152/FULL
Proposal:	<u>Front elevation changes including proposed shopfront; alterations to fenestration</u>
Location:	The Business Centre, Green Road, Horsmonden, Tonbridge, Kent TN12 8JS
Recommendation	Approval
Proposal	Cllr Baxter-Smith; seconded Cllr Larkin. Unanimous.
Comments	The PC recommend approval. All works should be carried out in line with Horsmonden Parish

	Councils Sustainability policy.
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Planning Application:	25/01269/FULL
Proposal:	<u>Change of use of the land for the stationing of 1 mobile home, 1 day room and 1 touring caravan for Gypsy / Traveller accommodation. Associated hard and soft landscaping (Part retrospective)</u>
Location:	Land To The Rear Of August Pitts Farm, Churn Lane, Horsmonden, Tonbridge, Kent TN12 8HW
Recommendation	Refusal
Proposal	Cllr Davis; seconded Cllr Larkin. Carried.
Comments	Recommend refusal. Over development of the site.

5. APPLICATIONS GRANTED AND REFUSED

Granted

Application	Location	PC comment	TWBC decision	Date
25/00659/FULL	Orchard House Farm , Maidstone Road, Horsmonden, Tonbridge, Kent TN12 8HG	Refusal	Granted	20 May 2025
25/00693/FULL	Ruck Farm , Marle Place Road, Horsmonden, Tonbridge, Kent TN12 8DT	Approval	Granted	20 May 2025
25/00713/FULL	3 Wharf Cottages , Goudhurst Road, Horsmonden, Tonbridge, Kent TN12 8AP	Approval	Granted	6 June 2025
25/00535/LBC	Mableford Cottage , Green Road, Horsmonden, Tonbridge, Kent TN12 8JS	Approval	Granted	30 April 2025
25/00697/FULL	Orchard House Farm , Maidstone Road, Horsmonden, Tonbridge, Kent TN12 8HG	Refusal	Granted	27 May 2025

Refused

Application	Location	PC comment	TWBC decision	Date

Withdrawn

Application	Location	PC comment	TWBC decision	Date
25/00539/LBC	Old All Saints Church , Maidstone Road, Horsmonden, Tonbridge, Kent TN12 8DG	Refusal	N/A	30 April 2025

6. OTHER PLANNING MATTERS (Discussion only – No decisions)

Cllr Russell commented on the recent tree works carried out on Goudhurst Road in relation to the Bassetts Farm development, which involved a road closure. It was observed that very little visible progress appears to have been made.

Cllr Boon commented that she felt the tree works may have focused on the visibility splays, following complaints received from residents, rather than on the footpath works as originally indicated. The footpath works are understood to be scheduled for the school holidays in July/August.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.21pm.