

RUSTINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

PLANNING COMMITTEE

MINUTES: of the Meeting held on 27 April 2026

PRESENT: Councillors Ms M Revell (Chairman), J Bennett, J Ceiriog-Hughes, Mrs A Cooper, A Cooper, Mrs C Stevens and P Warren

36/26 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Grevett (Personal) and Lee (Indisposition). These apologies were accepted by the Committee.

37/26 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST BY MEMBERS

There were no declarations of interest by Members.

38/26 MINUTES

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 13 April 2026 were signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

39/26 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

- (a) **R/31/26/HH - Single storey front porch and rear extension to replace the existing conservatory, proposed hip to gable extensions, a rear dormer, roof lights and side windows with obscure glass - 15 Evelyn Avenue, Rustington**
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The Clerk referred to Minute 30/26(a) and reminded the Committee of an email received, from the owner of a neighbouring property to 15 Evelyn Avenue, thanking the Parish Council for its support in objecting to this application and for Councillor Bennett speaking on their behalf at the local Planning Authority Planning Committee Meeting held on 15 April 2026.

The Committee was pleased to NOTE this information, but also extremely disappointed at the local Planning Authority's decision to grant this application conditionally.

40/26 LOCAL PLANNING AUTHORITY DECISIONS

- (a) The Clerk reported that she had previously circulated notifications received from the local Planning Authority, advising that planning permission in respect of the following applications had been granted conditionally: -

- R/21/26/HH - First floor rear extension (revised proposals to R/146/25/HH). New Vehicular drop kerb - 69 Worthing Road**
- R/29/26/HH - Rear extension - 54 Milton Avenue**
- R/31/26/HH - Single storey front porch and rear extension to replace the existing conservatory, proposed hip to gable extensions, a rear dormer, roof lights and side windows with obscure glass - 15 Evelyn Avenue**
- R/32/26/HH - Single storey rear extension - 34 Mallon Dene**

The Committee NOTED this information.

- (b) The Clerk reported that she had previously circulated a notification received from the local Planning Authority, advising that planning permission in respect of the following application had been approved:-

R/34/26/CLE - Application for certificate of lawfulness to confirm existing use Class E - Euro Services Factory, Brookside Avenue

The Committee NOTED this information.

- (c) The Clerk reported that she had previously circulated a notification received from the local Planning Authority, advising that planning permission in respect of the following application was not required:-

R/28/26/CLP - Lawful development certificate for proposed use of existing garage as a business, proposed plumbing work to run water, toilet installation and gas supplies - 36 Sheep Fold Avenue

The Committee NOTED this information.

41/26 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The Chairman reminded the Committee of the PowerPoint Presentation which had been produced and circulated to all Members prior to the Meeting.

- (a) **R/50/26/T - Removal of epicormic growth up to 5 metres from ground level on 2 No. Horse Chestnut trees (T1). Crown reduction to 1 No. Olive tree (T2) to leave a height of 4 metres and spread of 3 metres - 1 Chestnut Cottages, 37 The Street, Rustington**

The Committee AGREED to raise no objection to this application, subject to approval by the local Planning Authority's Arboriculturist.

The Committee also AGREED a Neighbour Notification.

42/26 ARUN DISTRICT COUNCIL - PLANNING COMMITTEE - REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS

Councillor Warren advised the Committee that the Agenda for the next Meeting of the Planning Committee which was scheduled to be held on 19 May 2026, had yet to be published.

Councillor Bennett referred to the following two Government Consultations that had been reported on at the Planning Committee Meeting held on 15 April 2026:-

- Consulting The Secretary of State on Planning Decisions
- Proposed National Scheme of Delegation

He said that he would be happy to produce a summary of both of the above Reports for the Committee's consideration at the next Meeting on 18 May 2026.

The Chairman, on behalf of the Committee, accepted Councillor Bennett's offer with much appreciation.

43/26 STERLING PARADE, RUSTINGTON

The Chairman reported that she had received information advising that at least two of the vacant flats, above the shops in Sterling Parade were currently being used as emergency accommodation by Worthing Borough Council.

She reminded the Committee that she understood that all of the flats above the shops at Sterling Parade had been vacated some time ago, allegedly in readiness for the works which were the subject of the following planning application, to commence:-

R/278/22/PL - 6 No. new flats, installation of new roof, windows/doors and external wall insulation and associated bin/bike storage to car park area. This application is in CIL Zone 4 (zero rated) as other development - Sterling Parade, 1-6 The Street, Rustington

The Committee was concerned to NOTE this information and AGREED that a representation should be made to the Principal Environmental Health Officer at the Arun District Council, to advise them of its concerns in respect of the extremely poor and hazardous condition of this building, that was allegedly being used as emergency accommodation, and that the flats in question could now be being used as HMOs.

There being no further business, the Meeting concluded at 8.40 pm.

Chairman: Date: