

WESTERHAM TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Planning and Development Committee held
on Thursday 6th August 2026 at 9.30 am at Russell House,
Market Square, Westerham

Present: Councillors: Mr I Breminer (IB) - Chair
Mr M Bortolozzo (MB)
Mr E Boyle (EB)
Mrs D Coen (DC)
Mrs L Rodgers (LR)

Town Clerk: Mrs A Howells (AH)

Item		Action
1.	<u>Apologies for Absence</u> Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Bird – holiday.	
2.	<u>Declarations of Interest not previously declared</u> Cllr Coen – 26/01043/HOUSE & 26/01597/LDCPR	
3.	<u>Minutes of the Meeting held on 23rd July</u> Minutes of the meeting held on 23rd July were approved.	
4.	<u>Information items arising from the minutes of the previous meeting not dealt with elsewhere on the agenda</u> None.	
5.	<u>Planning Applications</u> 26/01620/LDCPR Cloverlea, Dairy Lane, Crockham Hill, Kent TN8 6RA Construction of single storey rear extensions to existing host dwelling. WTC supports the application subject to the 50% rule. Cllr Coen left the meeting. 26/01043/HOUSE Amended Consultation Farley Grange East, Farley Lane, Westerham, Kent TN16 1UA Creation of driveway and new vehicular access. Erection of two gates with pillars and erection of fencing along front boundary. WTC reiterates its previous comments below and has noted the further resident comments and objections: - Refer to SDC officers noting the objections made by residents, in particular: - As a retrospective application any future works should go through the appropriate planning process; - Ditches have been infilled which could result in flooding; - Excessive height of CCTV posts, ensuring they meet necessary regulations e.g. displaying signage; - That lighting should be sympathetic and not excessive, following recommendations from the Dark Skies Policy;	

	5. Potential loss of biodiversity given the removal of hedges and mature planting, with no plans for reinstatement with suitable indigenous species; 6. That SDC Officers should conduct a site visit. Cllr Coen re-joined the meeting. 26/01728/LBCALT Nationwide, 14 Market Square, Westerham, Kent TN16 1AW Installation of defibrillator and bleed kit cabinets to external wall of Nationwide Building Society branch. WTC supports the application but does question the need given that there is a public defibrillator within 10 meters. Cllr Coen left the meeting. 26/01597/LDCPR The Coach House, Froghole Lane, Crockham Hill, Kent TN8 6TD Installation of roof-mounted solar photovoltaic (PV) panels on existing dwelling. WTC supports the application. Cllr Coen re-joined the meeting. 26/01941/TELNOT Westerham Bowls Club, Costells Meadow, Westerham TN165 The installation of a new 20-m-high telecommunications monopole accommodating 12no. antenna and 2no. transmission dishes; plus accompanying ground-based equipment cabinets within a fenced, secure compound; and ancillary development thereto. WTC supports the application. There is extensive information in the application regarding discounted alternative sites and information relating to health matters to allay fears. Support has been received due to the need for improved connectivity for businesses, residents and visitors. Visitors experience difficulty paying for parking due to lack of signal. KCC and Westerham SDC Cllrs support the application. If the application is approved then WTC will conduct a public consultation.	
6.	<u>Planning Decisions</u> 26/01310/FUL Farm End, Dairy Lane, Crockham Hill TN8 Installation of solar panels, fencing and hedging. Granted 26/01386/HOUSE Trimulgherry, Hosey Hill, Westerham TN16 Engineering works to extend existing driveway to provide 1 additional parking space, relocation of access steps, extension of existing wall to garage with landscaping. Granted	

7.	<u>Planning Issues</u> 7.1 SDC Local Plan Regulation 19 Consultation had now opened from 23 rd July to 17 th September – A draft response would be circulated and discussed at the next meeting. 7.2 Tandridge District Council Draft Local Plan – No further update. 7.3 Land at Seasons Farm – No further update.	IB/AH
8.	<u>Reports from Councillors</u> Cllr Breminer had attended, as an observer, the KWG online meeting regarding the Farley Lane application on 5 th August.	
9.	<u>Correspondence</u> 9.1 SDC Enforcement – the update was noted. 9.2 SDC Street naming and numbering – Land North of Black Eagle Close was noted. 9.3 SDC Street naming and numbering – 4 Force Green Farm Cottage was noted. 9.4 Dormansland Neighbourhood Plan Proposal – Regulation 16 Consultation was noted. 9.5 GACC Newsletter – Court of appeal refuses permission to appeal.	
10.	<u>TN16, Crockham Hill Village Newsletter</u> None.	
11.	<u>Matters for District and County Councillors</u> None.	
12.	<u>Further Matters for Consideration at the next meeting</u> Water Issues.	
13.	<u>Date of next meeting</u> Thursday 20 th August 2026	

The meeting was concluded at 10.36 am.

Minutes confirmed as a correct record:

Chairman