



Needham Market Town Council

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Planning Committee Meeting Minutes

Tuesday 7th April 2026

Held at: The Green Room, Community Centre, School Street, Needham Market. Meeting started at 18:00

Councillors Present:

C Goodchild, K Hunter, T Cooke, E Smith, L Chandler and A Harrison

Also in Attendance:

G de Cova (Town Clerk and RFO).

Due to lack the lack of a Chair for this committee, Councillors elected Cllr Smith to Chair the meeting

PL/25/0026 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Cllrs Reardon, Blake and Darnell

PL/25/027 To receive declarations of interest from members relating to items on this agenda

No declarations of interest were received

PL/25/028 To approve any Dispensations with respect to Disclosable Non-Pecuniary Interests

No dispensations were applied for.

PL/25/029 To receive and confirm the Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 10th February 2025

Councillors received the minutes of the meeting and agreed it was an accurate summary. Cllr Hunter proposed that they be accepted.

PL/25/030 To receive updates from the following:

PL/25/030/a New Applications available at the time of agenda

APPLICATION FOR LISTED BUILDING CONSENT - DC/25/05551

Proposal: Application for Listed Building Consent – Repairs to high level brickwork and roof structure to front of building

Location: Limes Hotel, High Street, Needham Market



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Councillors discussed the application. Cllr Cooke proposed that the Council recommend that the application be approved. Seconded by Cllr Harrison. All in favour.

APPLICATION FOR PLANNING PERMISSION - DC/26/01142

Proposal: Householder Application - Erection of a single storey rear extension and associated alterations

Location: 45 Quarry Avenue, Needham Market, Ipswich, Suffolk IP6 8FA

Councillors discussed the application. Cllr Hunter proposed that the Council recommend that the application be approved. Seconded by Cllr Goodchild. Majority in favour.

APPLICATION FOR PLANNING PERMISSION - DC/26/01226

Proposal: Householder Application - Removal of existing rear conservatory and erection of two storey side and rear extension. Entire property at first floor level to be clad with Hardiplank fibre cement boards. All other materials to match existing.

Location: 5 Orchid Way, Needham Market, Ipswich, Suffolk IP6 8JQ

It was noted that this application had since been withdrawn.

APPLICATION FOR CONSENT TO CARRY OUT WORKS TO TREE(S) PROTECTED BY A TREE PRESERVATION ORDER - DC/26/01280

Proposal: Application for works to Trees subject to Tree Preservation Order MS182/T1 – Reduce crown of 1 No Walnut (T1) by 30%

Location: 4 Lime Tree Close, Needham Market, Suffolk, IP6 8TE

Councillors discussed the application. Cllr Cooke proposed that the Council comment to support approval, on the condition that the Tree Officer at Mid Suffolk District Council find the application satisfactory. Seconded by Cllr Goodchild. All in favour.

PL/25/030/b New Tree Preservation Orders

No New Tree Preservation Orders had been received

PL/25/030/c New applications in hand, but not listed within the planning schedule

None

PL/25/030/d Appeal Notifications

No appeal notifications had been received.



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PL/25/030/e Decisions received

Councillors discussed decision notices that had been received.

PL/25/031 Needham Market Neighbourhood 'Development' Plan Review

The last meeting of the Needham Market Neighbourhood Development Plan Review was held on 17th March. It was highlighted that any consultation would take place in the summer

PL/25/032 To consider the impact of advertising in Needham Market's Conservation Area

Councillors highlighted that a lot of signage had been put up on lampposts and fences around the town, noticeably at the corner of Barretts Lane where the War Memorial is. None of the signage put up on Town Council assets had sought permission.

AP: Clerk to contact advertisers to get signage removed

PL/25/033 To receive any specific items from the Town Clerk or Presenting Officer

The Clerk reported that a member of the public had raised concerns regarding the colour of paint that had been used on parts of a property on the High Street.

PL/25/034 To confirm the Date, Time and Location of the next town Council Meeting

The next scheduled meeting is on Tuesday 5th May 2026 at 6PM in the Green Room of Needham Market Community Centre.

Meeting closed at 18:52