Minutes of a meeting of Bucklebury Parish Council Planning Committee
held in The Victory Room, Bucklebury on
Monday 23rd February 2026 at 7pm.

1 **Present:**
Cllr. G. Woods (Chairman); Cllr. J. Allum; Cllr. G. Loader; Cllr. G. Pask; Cllr. D. Southgate; Cllr. P. Spours; Cllr. P. Teal; Cllr. C. Willett; Cllr. T. Williams; Mrs. H. Pratt (Clerk).
One member of the public.

2 **Apologies.**
There were apologies for absence from Cllr. Dickens and Cllr. Windmill.

3 **Declarations of Interest.**
There were no declarations of interest.

4 **Public Session.**
No matters were raised during the public session.

5 **Planning Committee meeting held on the Monday 24th November 2025.**
The minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on Monday 26th January 2026 were agreed as a true record of the meeting and signed by the Chairman.

6 **Planning applications received from WBC:**

6.1 26/00245/HOUSE – Stag Cottage, Zin Zan.
Single storey side/rear extension to provide entrance lobby and lounge.
Planning application 25/00716/HOUSE comprised of a similar extension (as a detached garden room) and a carport. BPC objected to application 25/00716/HOUSE, although it was approved by WBC but, on reflection, the applicant had concerns about the impact it would have on the neighbouring property.
The current application is less imposing on the neighbouring property and doesn't include the carport element.
It was agreed that BPC has **no objection** to the current application.

6.2 26/00115/FUL – Heatherdene, Bucklebury.
Replacement of an existing stable building and separate haybarn with an American-style barn, and associated groundwork for the base.
The existing stables have a footprint of 80m² and the new American-style barn has a footprint of 160m². The ridge height of the new barn is approximately 600mm higher than the ridge of the stables.
It was agreed that BPC has **no objection** to this application, subject to any external lighting being PIR controlled and it not being for commercial use.

7 **Round Table Comments.**

7.1 Planning on the BPC website.
The planning app on the website still doesn't work, despite WBC releasing the necessary information to fix it, and the information being passed to Hugo Fox.

7.2 Grit/salt.
Whilst a pallet of grit/salt was ordered some weeks ago, it has not been delivered. The Clerk will chase it up. HP

7.3 September Community Coffee Morning.
The September community coffee morning will potentially clash with the MacMillan coffee morning in the Victory Room. It was agreed to hold the community coffee morning a week earlier on the 17th September.

7.4 Watering Alderman Pask's Tree.
Cllr. Allum has planted a replacement tree for Alderman Pask (the previous tree was damaged during grounds maintenance and died) on the recreation ground in Bucklebury Village. He asked if anyone is available to water it over the weekend.

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7.5 Report on the Chapel Wall.
Cllr. Willett reported that he has circulated the report of his investigations with Cllr. Teal on the Cemetery Wall. He will now work on a specification of the work for builders to quote against.

7.6 Freedom of Information (FOI) Request.
Cllr. Spours has submitted the FOI request to WBC and has had no response to date.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.00pm.

Date of next meetings:
Full Council: Monday 9th March 2026 at 7pm (Oak Room, The Memorial Hall, Upper Bucklebury)
Planning Committee: Monday 23rd March 2026 at 7.15pm (Meeting Room, The Victory Room).

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