

Notes of a meeting of Chatteris Town Council's Planning Working Group held at the Council Chambers, 14 Church Lane, Chatteris, on Tuesday 28th October 2025

Present: Cllrs V Joyce (Chairman), L Ashley, J Fuller-Gray, A Gowler, A Hay and M Siggee.

P22 25/26 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence had been received from Cllrs J Carney and S Unwin. Cllr Carney had submitted recommendations on all planning applications.

P23 25/26 Appeals, Decisions & Withdrawn Plans

The Clerk updated members on the latest planning decisions by Fenland District Council. The following had been granted planning permission:

Display of 15 non-illuminated signs at Nightlayer Leek Company Limited, Dean Drove.

Erection of first-floor side extension to 136 London Road.

Erection of a single-storey rear extension to 36 Westbourne Road.

Erection of 5 dwellings (single storey, 4-bed) at land south west of 16 London Road.

Works to a London Plane tree within a Conservation Area at 2 Wenny Road.

Erection of a single-storey rear extension to 19 Linden Drive.

Variation of conditions to enable alterations to parking arrangements and insertion of windows at Nightlayer Leek Company Limited, Dean Drove.

Reserved matters application relating to appearance, layout, etc. for one dwelling at land east of 54 Queensway.

Variation of conditions relating to permission for the erection of up to 6 dwellings at land south-east of Highfield Lodge, Doddington Road.

An application to erect a dwelling (involving the demolition of existing garage block) at land east of 7 Megans Way accessed from Railway Lane was refused.

Notification had been received that the reserved matters application relating to detailed matters of appearance, landscaping, layout and scale pursuant to outline permission F/YR23/0349/VOC for road infrastructure associated with phase 1 of the development at land south east of London Road had been withdrawn.

P24 25/26 Applications & Revised Applications

a) F/YR25/0750/F - Change of use of land for residential use, siting of a mobile home to be used as an annexe and removal of existing mobile home at Bromsgrove House, Honesome Road - *Support*

b) F/YR25/0752/PIP - Permission in principle to erect up to 5 x dwellings and the formation of 5 x accesses at land south of Ferry Farm, London Road accessed off Stocking Drove - *Support*

c) F/YR25/0669/F - Revised application for change of use of existing storage barn to gym with associated parking and provision of a separate parking area for employees of Rowells Transport at Carters Bridge Farm, Doddington Road – *Support* (Cllr Ashley declared an interest).

d) F/YR25/0765/F - Install replacement doors to front and rear of existing dwelling within a Conservation Area at 3 Eden Crescent - *Support*

e) F/YR25/0791/TRTPO - Fell 1 Oak tree covered by TPO 1/1967 at land south of 16 Bridle Close – *After reading the tree officer’s report it was agreed to Note this application.*

f) F/YR25/0768/F - Use of land for chicken farming purposes, the siting of a welfare caravan, erection of 3 storage sheds, installation of 1 CCTV camera and 1.8m fencing, involving a new access (retrospective) at land to the west of Meadow Farm, Horseway – *No objections to the land being used as a chicken farm but the welfare caravan should not be used for residential purposes and should not be used as overnight accommodation.*

g) F/YR25/0796/PIP - Permission in principle to erect up to 1 dwelling at land north of 120 London Road – *Support*

h) F/YR25/0808/RM - Reserved matters application relating to detailed matters of appearance, landscaping, layout and scale pursuant to outline permission F/YR22/1186/FDC to erect up to 4 dwellings and associated works at land north of 2-8 Gibside Avenue – *Councillors are satisfied that enough has been done to alleviate the concerns of neighbouring residents. The application provides additional parking spaces which can be used by neighbouring residents and there will be a pathway to the rear of existing properties.*

P24 25/26 Tree at Bridle Close

This had already been discussed under P24 e). A resident had made complaints to FDC about their “inappropriate” use of a 5-Day Notice to fell a protected Oak tree and their failure to investigate the Town Council’s concerns about the suspicious decline of a tree which was very healthy just over a year previously. As a result, a full planning application had been submitted and the FDC tree officer had inspected the tree, found it was in terminal decline and agreed it should be felled and replaced with another tree.

P25 25/26 Suggestions for Street Names for Barrett Homes Estate

The Council had been asked to put forward at least 6 new street names for the new housing estate at land south-east of London Road (Tithe Barn).

It was agreed the theme should be farming and taking into account existing street names in Chatteris the following were put forward as ideas:

Harvester Way (for the main road)

Harrow Lane

Michaelmas Drive

Spinner Road

Hay Mews

Baler Close

Farmers Way

Tiller Close

Barn Crescent

Owl Close

Thresher Way

P26 25/26 Any Other Business

Councillors had been asked if they had any comments on an application to install a disabled parking bay outside 13 Newlands Road. Councillors could see no need for the bay as there was ample parking in the area.