

Minutes of the Planning Committee

A meeting of the **Planning Committee** was held on **Tuesday 10th June 2025** at **19:00hrs** at **The Chamber Room, Bicester Town Council, The Garth, Launton Road, Bicester, Oxon OX26 6PS.**

Present:

Cllr Nick Mawer – (Chair)
Cllr Chris Pruden – (Vice-Chair)
Cllr Dan Hallett
Cllr Harry Knight
Cllr Damien Maguire
Cllr Rachel Mallows
Cllr Jim Webb
Cllr John Willett

In Attendance:

Phil Evans, Officer
Maria Galic, Civic & Democratic

1/25 Appointment of Vice Chair of the Planning Committee

26 RESOLVED that Committee **APPOINTED** Cllr Chris Pruden as Vice Chair.
Proposed by Cllr Chris Pruden and Seconded by Cllr Damien Maguire.

2/25 Apologies for Absence

26 RESOLVED that apologies for absence were received from Cllr Tom Beckett.

3/25 Declarations of Interest

26 RESOLVED that declarations of interest were received from Cllr Rachel Mallows due to knowing an applicant listed as a new application.

4/25 Declarations of Interest for District & County Councillors

26 RESOLVED that declarations of interest were received from Cherwell District Councillors Cllr Nick Mawer, Cllr Harry Knight, Cllr Chris Pruden, and Cllr John Willett.

5/25 Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting

26 RESOLVED that the **MINUTES** and **RESOLUTIONS** of the **Planning Committee Meeting** were **APPROVED**:

- **PL09/2425 – Tuesday 22nd April 2025**

6/ Public Session

2526 RESOLVED that no members of the public were present.

7/ Updates on Large Developments and associated issues

2526 RESOLVED that updates were received on:

Bicester Motion – A vertiport testbed for the electric air taxi industry in has reached operational completion.

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Signed

Dated

Planning Applications from Cherwell District Council

RESOLVED that Committee **CONSIDERED** and **COMMENTED** on the following applications:

24/01206/F – 63 Jay Close

RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council made no comment on this application.

24/03259/F – Symmetry Park

RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council made no comment on this application.

25/00276/DISC – Land Nth & Sth of Pingle Drive

RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council made no comment on this application.

25/00751/F – 6 Ruck Keene Close

RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council made no comment on this application.

25/00803/F – 91 Kestrel Way

RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council made no comment on this application.

25/00804/LB – The Old Priory, Priory Lane

RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council made no comment on this application.

25/00850/F – 7 Sterling Close

RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council made no comment on this application.

25/00876/REM – 46 Bucknell Road

RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council made no comment on this application.

25/00880/F – 11 Ravencroft

RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council made no comment on this application.

25/00882/F – Land South of Anniversary

RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council made no comment on this application.

25/00596/F – 5 Battle Close

RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council **WELCOME** the provision of housing put forward in this application but **RAISE CONCERNS** over:

- The quality of the design
- Massing of the buildings
- Energy efficiency standards

25/00924/NMA – 138 Anniversary Avenue

RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council made no comment on this application.

25/00943/DISC – Site D And E Graven Hill

RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council made no comment on this application.

25/00956/CLUP – Vodafone, 29 Crown Walk

RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council **WELCOMES** this application.

25/00962/DISC – 1 George Street

RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council made no comment on this application.

25/00990/NMA – Ursuline Convent, 4-6 Kings End

RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council has **NO OBJECTION** to this application if the conservation officers are in agreement with the plans.

25/00993/F – 4 Manchester Terrace

RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council made no comment on this application.

25/01013/TCA – The Garth Launton Road

RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council **LEAVE** this application to the ARBORICULTURIST OFFICER.

25/01016/TCA – St Edburys Church

RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council **LEAVE** this application to the ARBORICULTURIST OFFICER.

25/01061/F – 1 George Street

RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council made no comment on this application.

25/01095/F – 6 Martin Close

RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council made no comment on this application.

25/01105/NMA – Site D And E Graven Hill

RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council made no comment on this application.

25/01109/F – Shotz Pool And Sports Lounge

RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council made no comment on this application.

25/01128/DISC – Impressions Hair And Beauty

RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council made no comment on this application.

25/01130/TCA – Bicester Town Council, The Garth

RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council **LEAVE** this application to the ARBORICULTURIST OFFICER.

25/01136/F – Autumn Barn Whitelands Farm

RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council **RAISE CONCERNS** on this application due to:

- Overdevelopment of the site
- Not in keeping with the street scene and the nature of the site

25/01148/F – 162 Buckingham Crescent

RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council made no comment on this application.

25/01177/F – 53 Bristol Road

RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council made no comment on this application.

25/01178/REM – South East Bicester, Wretchwick Way

RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council made no comment on this application.

25/01183/F – 67 Wear Road

RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council made no comment on this application.

25/01248/F – 31 Taunton Road

RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council made no comment on this application.

25/01322/TPO – Lucerne Avenue, Bure Park

RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council **RAISE CONCERNS** on this application due to:

- These trees are under the authority of BTC and are therefore theirs to manage
- This application has not consulted BTC
- Management of these trees should comply with BTC Tree Policy

25/01323/CLUP – Units B7 And B7a, Telford Road

RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council made no comment on this application.

25/01334/LB - Tudor Cottage, 22 Church Street

RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council made no comment on this application.

25/01355/F – 20 Dumas Close

RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council made no comment on this application.

25/01387/TCA – 1 St Edburgs Path

RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council **LEAVE** this application to the
ARBORICULTURIST OFFICER

8/25 Notification of Planning Decisions from Cherwell District Council

26 RESOLVED that Committee **NOTED** the decisions from Cherwell District Council.

9/25 Forward Plan

26 RESOLVED that Committee **REVIEWED** and **COMMENTED** on the Forward Plan:

- London Road Level Crossing – expressing thank you to the Local MP for organising meetings with councillors to discuss this
- Market Square – a potential future Planning Committee meeting presentation

10/2 Date of next Meeting:

526 Monday 7th July 2025 – 7pm, The Chambers, The Garth, Launton Road

CLOSE OF MEETING: 19:56