

**Minutes of the Planning Committee meeting of Honiton Town Council on
Tuesday 26th May 2026 at 7.00 pm.**

Members present

St Michael's Ward

Cllr R Fowles (Chair)

Cllr R Sexton

Cllr C Maunder

St Paul's Ward

Cllr S Craddock

Cllr S Sexton

In Attendance

Heloise Marlow (Deputy Town Clerk)

26/10/P Election of the Planning Committee Chairman

Members RESOLVED unanimously to elect Cllr Fowles as Chair for 2026/27.

Proposed by Cllr S Sexton and seconded by Cllr Maunder

26/11/P Election of the Planning Committee Deputy Chairman

Members RESOLVED unanimously to elect Cllr Maunder as Deputy Chair for 2026/27.

Proposed by Cllr S Sexton and seconded by Cllr R Sexton

26/12/P To accept apologies for absence

None received

26/13/P To receive declarations of interest in items on the agenda and receipt of requests for new DPI dispensations.

None received.

26/14/P Public Questions

None received.

26/15/P To confirm the minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 12th May 2026

Members RESOLVED to approve for accuracy the minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 12th May 2026.

Proposed by Cllr S Sexton and seconded by Cllr Craddock

For 4; Against 0; Abstentions 1

26/16/P To consider the following applications, based on the information available:

Any District Councillors participating reserve their final views on the application until they are in full possession of all the relevant arguments for and against.

26/0723/ADV	Mr Ken Jones	Unit 2 and 3 Heath Retail Park, Heathpark Way, Honiton, EX14 1BB
High level signs to front and side elevation and loading bay sign to rear.		
The Committee RESOLVED unanimously to DEFER the application to a future Planning Committee meeting to enable the Committee to seek further information and justification for the signage proposed to the side elevation. Proposed by Cllr S Sexton and seconded by Cllr Craddock.		
26/0918/FUL	Ian Lawrence	7 Hickory Close, Honiton, EX14 2UN
The conversion of the existing garage including raising the roof and introducing dormer windows and a small rear extension		
SUPPORT For 4; Against 0; Abstention 1		
26/0588/FUL	Mr & Mrs. Wilcox	106 High Street Honiton EX14 1JW
Change of use of building to residential use (use class C3), including internal subdivision and 2 storey extension on rear elevation to create 5no.flats. Construction of building in the rear garden to create 4no. flats, alongside associated access, parking and landscaping.		
The Committee RESOLVED unanimously to DEFER the application to a future Planning Committee meeting to enable a site meeting to be arranged.		
26/0589/LBC	Mr & Mrs. Wilcox	106 High Street Honiton EX14 1JW
Conversion of building to residential to create 5no. flats. Subdivision to include removal and construction of internal walls and the construction of a 2 storey extension on rear elevation. Removal of external staircase.		
The Committee RESOLVED unanimously to DEFER the application to a future Planning Committee meeting to enable a site meeting to be arranged.		

26/17/P To note planning decisions, copy letters and correspondence received as per the list below and to resolve any matters arising.

- a. Committee **NOTED** the adoption of the Second East Devon Heritage Strategy (2024-2042)
- b. Committee **NOTED** the following Appeals:

Application Number	Application Address	Proposal	HTC Comment	Decision
25/1799/FUL	15 Bhutan Close, Honiton, EX14 2UP	Proposed rear balcony with 1.8m privacy screen	Unanimous SUPPORT	APPEAL in progress
25/2244/FUL	149 High Street, Honiton, EX14 1LJ	Change of use from its current use as retail to the ground and first floor, with residential above, to 1no full residential dwelling.	Unanimous SUPPORT	APPEAL in progress

Application Number	Application Address	Proposal	HTC Comment	Decision
19/0955/FUL	Specsavers, 121 High Street, Honiton, EX14 1LS	Retention of AC units	Deferred to Planning Officer	APPROVED.
19/0981/FUL	Specsavers, 121 High Street, Honiton, EX14 1LS	Retention of remedial work including the demolition of the existing front façade and replacement with new construction to match existing.	Deferred to Planning Officer	APPROVED
19/0982/LBC	Specsavers, 121 High	Retention of remedial work	Deferred to Conservation	APPROVED

Signed Chair

Date: 9th June 2026

	Street, Honiton, EX14 1LS	including the demolition of the existing front façade and replacement with new construction.	Officer	
25/2504/LBC	42-44 Queens House, New Street, Honiton, EX14 1BJ	Widening of existing doorway leading from hallway to store on ground floor & construction of partition wall to create disabled WC on ground floor and install mechanical extraction fan on north elevation,	Unanimous SUPPORT subject to the agreement of the Conservation Officer	APPROVED
26/0296/LBC	Kingsway House, 3 High Street, Honiton, EX14 1PR	Install an internal stairlift from the hallway on the ground floor to the second floor of the property on the main staircase; the stairlift will be able to stop on the first floor as well to allow access to that floor too.	Unanimous SUPPORT subject to the agreement of the Conservation Officer	APPROVED
26/0336/FUL	41 Tweed Close, Honiton, EX14 2YU	Install a gate into the back fence of the property for pedestrian rear access into the garden.	Unanimous SUPPORT	APPROVED

The decisions listed above were **NOTED**.

26/18/P To close the meeting.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 19.45pm.

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