CHARD TOWN COUNCIL

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PLANNING & HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Planning & Highways Committee meeting held Monday 15th December 2025 commencing at 18:00 hours in The Town Hall, Fore Street, Chard TA20 1PP.

Members present: Cllr Bulmer (Vice Chair), Cllr Eggins & Cllr Hussey (Chair)
Members Absent: Cllr Bates, Cllr Hassan, Cllr O'Brien, Cllr Richter, Cllr Tribble

Officers present:
David Bell, Chief Executive & Town Clerk;
Beverley Newman, Democratic Services Officer.

Public Participation Time
No members of the public were present.

2025/64 Apologies for absence
No Apologies were received.

2025/65 Declarations of interest
No declarations were made

2025/66 To resolve to exclude members of the press and public
There were no confidential items for consideration.

2025/67 Minutes

Proposed: Cllr Eggins Seconded: Cllr Bulmer
Unanimous

Resolved: The committee agreed the Minutes of the 24th November 2025 as an accurate record.

2025/68 Planning applications
To consider the following application and comment as necessary:

a) **Application Number:** **25/02298/FUL**

Proposal: Erection of a detached 2.5 storey Residential (Class 4) property as a 7-

		bed HMO (House in Multiple Occupation) (Sui Generis)
	Location:	Chataway House Leach Road Chard Business Park Chard Somerset TA20 1FR
	Applicant:	Mr S Beasant
	Applicant Type:	Full Application

Proposed: Cllr Eggins Seconded: Cllr Bulmer
Unanimous

Resolved: That the committee supported this application. Additional comments being, committee considered this to be a good use of infill land, there was plenty of parking, & could see no impact to flooding issues I Chard.

b)	**Application:**	**25/02364/OUT**
	Proposal:	Submission of an outline planning application, with all matters reserved, for the proposed erection of up to 9 dwellings.
	Location:	Land Northwest Of Jarman Way Chard TA20 1FB
	Applicant:	Mr Andrew Howard
	Application Type:	Outline Application.

Proposed: Cllr Bulmer Seconded: Cllr Eggins
Unanimous

Resolved: That the committee supported this application. Additional comments being, Committee noted that substantial changes had been made since the previous submission of this application, notably; refuse turn around addressed, parking increased, multiple types of houses incorporated. Committee welcomed these changes.

c)	**Application Number:**	**25/02920/PDE**
	Proposal:	Proposed rear and side extensions (i) the projection of the rear extension beyond the rear wall is 7.50metres (ii) the maximum height of the extension is 2.55metres (iii) the

height at the eaves of the extension is 2.85metres.

Location: 61 Brutton Way Chard Somerset TA20 2HB

Applicant: Mr Richard Harris

Application Type: PA Larger Home Extension

Committee noted this application and had no comments.

2025/69 New Tree Preservation Order

Application Number: **25/02941/TPO**

Proposal: Application to carry out Tree Surgery Works to No. 10 Trees and Fell No. 2 Trees as shown within the South Somerset District Council (CHAR 4) 2006 Tree Preservation Order.
T1-T10 - Oak- To prune the crown height and spread by 10%, removing branch lengths
of up to 1.5 metres and making natural target pruning cuts of up to 25 mm removing the
end weight and leverage of all branches. These trees are previously lapsed pollards.
T11 - Oak - To dismantle in a controlled manner using ropes and pulleys as required, 1
x Oak tree (T11) which is showing significant signs of crown dieback.
T12 - Oak - To dismantle in a controlled manner using ropes and pulleys as required, 1
x Oak tree (T12) which is showing significant signs of crown dieback.
There may be a presence of Collybia fusipes at the base of the trunks of T11 and T12 as shown in Photo 3 and Photo 4.

Location: 49 Thorndun Park Drive Chard Somerset TA20 1DH

Applicant: Mr David Summers

Application Type: Tree Preservation Order

Committee noted the tree preservation order and had no comments.

2025/70 Date of next meeting

The Planning & Highways Committee noted the date of the next scheduled Planning & Highways meeting as 25th January 2026.

The Committee Chair Cllr Hussey thanked everyone present for their attendance and contribution to discussions and closed the meeting at 18.16

CHAIR: **DATE:** 26-1-26