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MINUTES

PLANNING AND TRANSPORT COMMITTEE

Date: 9th February 2026

Place: Council Chamber, Town Hall, 61 Newland Street, Witham, CM8 2FE

Present: Councillors

J.	Robertson	(Chairman)
P.	Barlow	
L.	Headley	
R.	Ramage	
G.	Kennedy	(Planning Officer)
J.	Brown	(PA to the Council)
S.	Puckey	(Open Spaces Administrator)

208. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Adelaja and Playle.
Councillors J C Coleman, J M Coleman, A Sloma and E Williams were absent.

RESOLVED That the apologies be received and approved.

209. MINUTES

RESOLVED That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Planning and Transport Committee held on 26th January 2026 be confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

210. INTERESTS

There were no interests declared.

211. QUESTIONS AND STATEMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

There were no members of the public present.

212. PLANNING OFFICER’S REPORT

The Planning Officer had nothing to report.

213. PART 1 APPLICATIONS

26/00111/HH

43 Collingwood Road, Witham, Essex

Proposed single-storey rear extension and alterations to fenestration

NO OBJECTION

26/00154/HH

10 Willow Rise, Witham, Essex

Two storey side extension

NO OBJECTION

26/00151/HH

28 Avenue Road, Witham, Essex

Proposed single storey rear extension

NO OBJECTION

26/00133/HH

16 Gimson Close, Witham, Essex

Construction of single storey side and rear extension, removal of chimney and changes to front garden to create off street car parking

NO OBJECTION

214. PART 2 APPLICATIONS

26/00040/HH

Jacksons Farm, Maltings Lane, Witham

Proposed conversion of garage to annexe accommodation, external alterations comprising side door canopy and alterations to fenestration. Erection of shed. (Revised scheme)

NO OBJECTION subject to the advice of the Listed Buildings officer being content with materials.

26/00121/HH

28 Braintree Road, Witham, Essex

Proposed two-storey side extension and single-storey front Porch

Members noted that there was now separation between the neighbours on the first floor.

NO OBJECTION

26/00116/TPOCON

22 Collingwood Road, Witham, Essex

Notice of intent to carry out works to trees in a Conservation Area

The Planning Officer explained that the advice of the Tree Warden had been sought who confirmed that no objection should be raised.

NO OBJECTION subject to the advice of the District Council's Landscape Officer

26/00184/HH

39 Pennyroyal Crescent, Witham, Essex

Two storey rear extension

Members were conscious that the extension could be classed as over development of the plot contrary to LPP36a and the garden size would be smaller than suggested in the Essex Design Guide but acknowledged that a precedent had already been set in the area.

NO OBJECTION

26/00220/TPO

Stepstart Nursery, 59 Newland Street, Witham

Application to carry out works to trees protected by Tree Preservation Order: 56/2000

Members were informed that the Tree Warden had been happy that his advice to cut back fruit bearing parts had been heeded.

NO OBJECTION subject to the advice of the District Council's Landscape Officer

26/00172/COUPA

35 Newland Street, Witham

Application to determine if prior approval is required for a proposed Change of Use from Commercial, Business and Service (Use Class E) to six dwelling houses

Members understood that sufficient storage space would be required so that the ground floor stores would still be viable. There was concern that those flats facing the public house could be subject to noise from the beer garden but on balance agreed to offer no objection to the proposed change of use.

NO OBJECTION

215. REVISED PLANS

There were no revised plans.

216. DECISIONS

The decisions on Planning Applications pertaining to Witham were received.

RESOLVED That the decisions be received and noted.

217. TACKLING SPEEDING IN WITHAM/20s PLENTY

The Planning Officer provided a report on the data that has been obtained from the Speed Indicator Device which was located in Hatfield Road.

Members noted the large number of vehicles which use Hatfield Road and that a small number of vehicles which had driven dangerously fast. The Planning Officer explained that data would be refined and a regular report provided once a month.

RESOLVED That the information be received and noted.

218. OUTCOME OF THE LOCAL BUS SURVEY CONSULTATION 2025

Members were asked to note the link that was supplied in the Agenda for the results of the Bus Survey Consultation.

RESOLVED That the information be received and noted.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 7.25 p.m.

Councillor J. Robertson
Chairman

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