

**Minutes of the Council (Planning) Meeting held on
Wednesday 1 April 2026**

Present Councillor A Brown (Chair)
Councillors S Abbott, N Brakspear, J Brook, J Coward, T Ellis,
P Freestone, N Pocock, V Steadman, G Ward

In Attendance Mrs L Moor (Finance and Planning Officer)

In Attendance Online Councillor R Hopkinson

PL 133/25 Apologies

Apologies were received from Councillors H Belcher OBE, G McCaffery,
I Scrannage and A White.

PL 134/25 Public Question Time and Petitions

There were none.

PL 135/25 Declarations of Interest

There were none.

PL 136/25 Applications

CORSHAM LADBROOK WARD

[PL/2026/01594](#) 5 The Tynings - First-floor extension over garage, at side of house.

Resolved: that, subject to Wiltshire Council's Parking Standards being met, no objection be raised.

[PL/2026/01346](#)
[PL/2026/01513](#) Methuen Arms Hotel, High Street - Full Planning Permission and Listed Building Consent (Alt/Ext) - Conversion of barn outbuilding and adjoining outbuilding to create function room and food preparation area for use by the pub and hotel, including repairs and refurbishment throughout, new WCs within existing mezzanine, and new internal door. Construction of rear extension to barn. Application of cedar cladding to the southwest end elevation of the modern timber garage block and laying of gravel to the yard area to provide for staff parking.

Resolved: that no objection be raised.

[PL/2026/01815](#) Land adjoining 79 Dickens Avenue - Proposed new dwelling and landscaping.

Resolved: that no objection be raised.

CORSHAM NESTON WARD

[PL/2026/01598](#) 30 Moor Green - Notification of proposed works to trees in a Conservation Area - Ash tree - fell.

Resolved: that no objection be raised.

[PL/2026/01509](#) 4 Bakers Corner - Listed Building Consent (Alt/Ext) - Improvements to hearth in kitchen fireplace in 1920s extension: Replace plaster on walls of fireplace, remove block of concrete on which wood burner stands, replace with limestone slabs, remove a small amount of flooring to accommodate new limestone slabs.

Resolved: that, subject to approval of Wiltshire Council's Conservation Officer, no objection be raised.

[PL/2026/01478](#) Land east of Unit 21, Leafield Industrial Estate - Construction of 3 no. doubles padel courts with associated enclosures and lighting.

Resolved: that no objection be raised.

CORSHAM PICKWICK WARD

[PL/2026/01640](#) 53 Pickwick - Two-storey extension along with proposed new driveway entry from Bath Road.

Resolved: to object to the application on the grounds of the proposed new driveway entrance/exit arrangements being unsafe and inadequate, as highlighted by WC Highways.

PL 137/25 Amended/Additional Plans

There were none.

PL 138/25 Decisions

(1) Approvals

CORSHAM GASTARD WARD

[PL/2025/07275](#) 7 Silver Street - Change of Use from a holiday let to a beauty/massage salon.

CORSHAM LADBROOK WARD

- PL/2025/09860 22 High Street - Consent to display an advertisement -
PL/2025/09864 Fascia sign with store name 'haine & smith' in the centre,
'opticians' on the left and 'hearing' on the right. Hanging sign
on wrought-iron bracket to facade above shopfront.
- PL/2026/00304 67 Brook Drive - Proposed first-floor rear extension.
- PL/2026/00880 17 Woodborough Road - Removal of conservatory.
Alterations to kitchen and dining facilities, encompassing a
single-storey rear extension.

CORSHAM PICKWICK WARD

- PL/2025/07872 The Courtyard Offices CB40 45, Hartham Park - Full Planning
PL/2025/08104 Permission and Listed Building Consent (Alt/Ext) - Change of
Use of existing nursery buildings, workshops and stores
(Class E) to tourist accommodation for short-term lets (7no.
units).
- PL/2026/00254 Manor Barn, Pickwick - Notification of proposed works to trees
in a Conservation Area - T1 Conifer - crown lifted to remove
branches sitting on garage. T2 T3 T5 T6 T7 Conifer - fell. T4
Apple tree - fell.

(2) Refusals

CORSHAM PICKWICK WARD

- * PL/2024/04337 Hartham Park Management Ltd, Hartham Park - Removal of
condition 1 and variation of conditions 2, 3, 6 and 7 of
N/99/02177/FUL relating to the time frame for implementation
and to change condition wording to be "Prior to
Commencement".

(3) Withdrawn

There were none for this meeting.

(4) Lawful Development: Proposed Use

CORSHAM PICKWICK WARD

- PL/2026/00635 3 Trafalgar Close - Lawful development: Proposed Use - C3
(b) lawful certificate for the purposes of Ofsted registration.
The property is intended to be used as a children's home with
the maximum of 2 children which falls under the C3 dwelling
House Classification.

- (5) Prior Notification

CORSHAM PICKWICK WARD

PL/2026/01588 Pockeridge House, Basil Hill Barracks - Prior notification:
Demolition - demolition of building.

PL 139/25 Wiltshire Council Revocation of Tree Preservation Order - Land North of Bath Road

Wiltshire Council had decided to not confirm the Tree Preservation Order for Land North of Bath Road, which took effect on a provisional basis on 5 August 2025. TPO Reference: TPO/2025/00016.

Resolved: that the revocation of Tree Preservation Order TPO/2025/00016 be noted.

PL 140/25 Lime Down Solar Park Responses to Relevant Representations

Notification had been received from Stop Lime Down that the Lime Down Solar Park applicant, IGP, had responded to some of the Relevant Representations submitted by the public, business and Parish Councils.

The Applicant's responses could be found in this document: [https://nsip-documents.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/published-documents/EN010168-000906-9.1%20Applicant's%20Response%20to%20Relevant%20Representations%20\(Part%201\).pdf](https://nsip-documents.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/published-documents/EN010168-000906-9.1%20Applicant's%20Response%20to%20Relevant%20Representations%20(Part%201).pdf) .

Pages 1550 to 1563 detailed the responses provided for Corsham Town Council's objections.

If Corsham Town Council disagreed with the Applicant's responses to its objections, it could submit a further response to the Planning Inspectorate, making it clear where it disagreed and why. The deadline to do so was 1 May 2026.

Resolved: that,

- i) Councillors would review the Applicant's responses to the Town Council's objections to consider whether the Applicant had responded satisfactorily. Councillors would email their comments to the Finance and Planning Officer by 9.00am on Wednesday 15 April 2026.*
- ii) To delegate the formulation of a response to the Planning Inspectorate to the Chief Executive in consultation with the Chair of the Council.*
- iii) If possible, a copy of the Town Council's response be given to Councillor Coward before 21 April 2026 as he would be attending the Lime Down Solar Park preliminary meeting on that day.*

PL 141/25 Licensing Act 2003: New Premises Licence Application - Unit 21 Leafield Way

The Licensing Authority had received a New Premises Licence application for Unit 21, Leafield Way, Corsham, SN13 9SW.

The application requested the following:

Start date:	1 May 2026
Provision of live music: (indoor and outdoor)	10.00 - 22:00 Monday - Sunday (inclusive)
Provision of recorded music: (indoor)	08:00 - 23:00 Monday - Sunday (inclusive)
Supply of alcohol:	12:00 - 23:00 Monday - Sunday (inclusive)

Any representations against/for the application needed to be received by the Licensing Authority no later than 17 April 2026.

Resolved: that no objection be raised.

PL 142/25 Planning Appeals: Procedural Guidance

Guidance from the Planning Inspectorate outlining the new process for appeals relating to applications dated on or after 1 April 2026 could be found here: [Planning appeals: procedural guide. For appeals relating to applications dated on or after 1 April 2026. - GOV.UK](#)

The main change that would affect Town Councils is that the new procedure did not allow for third parties (including local councils) to submit new information or further representations at the appeal stage for certain types of minor planning applications. Instead, they would be asked whether they wished for any comments they had made at the application stage to go forward or be withdrawn.

Resolved: that the new Planning Appeals process for applications dated on or after 1 April 2026 be noted.

The meeting commenced at 7.00pm and closed at 7.35pm. There were no members of the public present at the meeting.

CHAIR

DATE

Councillors' comments on planning applications are based on the information available to them at the time of the meeting.