

**Minutes of the Council (Planning) Meeting held on
Wednesday 11 March 2026**

Present Councillor A Brown (Chair)
Councillors S Abbott, N Brakspear, J Coward, T Ellis,
I Scrannage, V Steadman, G Ward

In Attendance Mrs L Moor (Finance and Planning Officer)

In Attendance Online Councillors R Hopkinson and A White

PL 125/25 Apologies

Apologies were received from Councillors H Belcher OBE, R Munn and N Pocock.

PL 126/25 Public Question Time and Petitions

There were none.

PL 127/25 Declarations of Interest

Councillor Abbott declared a non-pecuniary interest in two applications:

- PL/2026/01149 - Park Farm Barn, Westrop - Change of use of rural building to form Class C3 dwellinghouse, as he is an acquaintance of the applicant. Councillor Abbott remained in the room during the discussion and decision on the item.
- PL/2026/01453 - Gatesgarth, Lacock Road - Notification of proposed works to trees in a Conservation Area - T1 - Maple tree - 30% crown reduction. T2 - Tulip tree - 40% crown reduction. T3 - Cedar tree - remove one branch over boundary. T4 - group of Sycamore trees - crown clean to remove weak/rubbing/diseased branches, as he is an acquaintance of the applicant. Councillor Abbott remained in the room during the discussion and decision on the item.

Councillor Ward declared a non-pecuniary interest in two applications:

- PL/2026/01006 - The Masters House, Pound Pill - Notification of proposed works to trees in a Conservation Area - T1 - Walnut, low canopy shading gardens. Crown lift to 2m. Reduce by 25% to reduce dominance on nearby properties. T2 - Yew, overhanging gardens. Reduce extended branches to north by 2m to remove overhang. T3 - Tulip Tree, recent limb loss at 2m south - tidy up torn stub. T4 - Cherry,

patches of bark damage on scaffold limbs. Small 10x3cm linear cavity 0.5m south side. Canopy less than 50cm from building. Prune away from building to give 2m clearance. T5 - Apple, sections of deadwood, cavities at 1.8m and 2m north side, touching building. Reduce by 2m to give building clearance and reduce leverage. Councillor Ward is a trustee of the charity that operates the Corsham Almshouse and Schoolroom. He remained in the room during the discussion and decision on the item.

- PL/2026/01453 - Gatesgarth, Lacock Road - Notification of proposed works to trees in a Conservation Area - T1 - Maple tree - 30% crown reduction. T2 - Tulip tree - 40% crown reduction. T3 - Cedar tree - remove one branch over boundary. T4 - group of Sycamore trees - crown clean to remove weak/rubbing/diseased branches, as he lives next door to the applicant. Councillor Ward remained in the room during the discussion and decision on the item.

PL 128/25 Applications

CORSHAM GASTARD WARD

[PL/2026/01149](#) Park Farm Barn, Westrop - Change of use of rural building to form Class C3 dwellinghouse.

Resolved: that, subject to a condition to ensure use of the dwellinghouse remains ancillary to the main house and is not used as a separate dwelling, no objection be raised.

CORSHAM LADBROOK WARD

[PL/2026/01006](#) The Masters House, Pound Pill - Notification of proposed works to trees in a Conservation Area - T1 - Walnut, low canopy shading gardens. Crown lift to 2m. Reduce by 25% to reduce dominance on nearby properties. T2 - Yew, overhanging gardens. Reduce extended branches to north by 2m to remove overhang. T3 - Tulip Tree, recent limb loss at 2m south - tidy up torn stub. T4 - Cherry, patches of bark damage on scaffold limbs. Small 10x3cm linear cavity 0.5m south side. Canopy less than 50cm from building. Prune away from building to give 2m clearance. T5 - Apple, sections of deadwood, cavities at 1.8m and 2m north side, touching building. Reduce by 2m to give building clearance and reduce leverage.

Resolved: that no objection be raised.

[PL/2026/00983](#) The Great Western, Pound Pill - Consent to display an advertisement - Erection of illuminated and non-illuminated signs to the exterior of the building.

Resolved: that, subject to the conditions recommended by Wiltshire Council Highways being applied, no objection be raised.

[PL/2026/01172](#) The Rookery, Lacock Road - Notification of proposed works to trees in a Conservation Area - T1 Hornbeam - reduce crown by 2.5m. T2 Griselinia - reduce crown by 1m.

Resolved: that no objection be raised.

[PL/2026/01239](#) 8 Pound Pill - Notification of proposed works to trees in a Conservation Area - Two Leylandii trees - fell.

Resolved: that no objection be raised.

[PL/2026/01227](#) Newlands House, Newlands Road - Second-storey side bedroom extension and a single-storey front extension.

Resolved: that no objection be raised.

[PL/2026/01453](#) Gatesgarth, Lacock Road - Notification of proposed works to trees in a Conservation Area - T1 - Maple tree - 30% crown reduction. T2 - Tulip tree - 40% crown reduction. T3 - Cedar tree - remove one branch over boundary. T4 - group of Sycamore trees - crown clean to remove weak/rubbing/diseased branches.

Resolved: that no objection be raised.

[PL/2026/01310](#)
[PL/2026/01454](#) 2 Bences Lane - Full Planning Permission and Listed Building Consent (Alt/Ext) - Proposed internal alterations within cottage including link first floor levels; rooflight and sun tubes; linking outbuildings to create ancillary accommodation.

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

CORSHAM NESTON WARD

[PL/2026/01016](#) Winter Lodge, Durley Park - Demolition of an existing double garage and construction of a new smaller single garage, landscape works including new recon stone boundary walls and replacement aluminium windows.

Resolved: that no objection be raised.

CORSHAM PICKWICK WARD

[PL/2026/01094](#) The Stoneyard, Potley Lane - Removal/variation of conditions - Variation of condition 2 of N/92/00419/F ('erection of replacement office gallery and drawing office') to allow the building to be used for mixed E(g) and B8 use.

Resolved: that no objection be raised.

[PL/2026/01266](#) Greystones, 47 Pickwick - Notification of proposed works to trees in a Conservation Area - T1 - Horse Chestnut tree - crown reduce by up to 2m, approximately back to previous pruning points; crown clean to remove major deadwood and crossing/broken branches.

Resolved: that no objection be raised.

PL 129/25 Amended/Additional Plans

There were none.

PL 130/25 Decisions

(1) Approvals

CORSHAM GASTARD WARD

PL/2025/09723 Unit 1 Moonrakers Farm - Retrospective change of use and conversion of part of Hut 1 from car storage (B8) to vehicle repairs (Sui Generis).

PL/2025/08930 The Old Quarry, Velle Hill - Change of use of an office/storage building (Building 1) and stable (Building 2) to short term holiday lets with associated external works.

CORSHAM LADBROOK WARD

PL/2026/00073 11 Bences Lane - Notification of proposed works to trees in a Conservation Area - Two Silver Birch trees at rear of the property to have canopy reduction of up to 30%, cut to appropriate growth points.

PL/2026/00038 70 Broadmead - Single-storey front extension, part garage conversion, part-redesign of flat roof element to the side to form new dual pitched roof, installation of roof lantern to the rear flat roof.

PL/2025/09922 18 Ludmead Road - First-floor extensions over garage and study. Ground floor single storey rear extension.

(2) Refusals

There were none for this meeting.

(3) Withdrawn

There were none for this meeting.

PL 131/25 Wiltshire Council Local Plan Update

The Inspectors' response to Wiltshire Council's reply to the Inspectors' post Stage 2 Hearings Letter was considered. The Inspectors' response included two options for Wiltshire Council, to either:

- i) Withdraw the Local Plan from examination, or
- ii) Request that the Inspectors draft a final report (which would recommend non-adoption).

Resolved: that the Inspectors' response to Wiltshire Council's reply to the Inspectors' post Stage 2 Hearings Letter be noted.

PL 132/25 Neighbourhood Plan Delivery and Monitoring Group (NP D&M Group) Update

An updated draft Neighbourhood Plan had been received from our consultants. It would be reviewed by the Chief Executive, the Chair of the NP D&M Group, the Head of Finance and Administration and the Finance and Planning Officer. When a final draft Neighbourhood Plan was ready, a Strategic Environmental Assessment screening request would be submitted to Wiltshire Council.

The Corsham Design Guide was nearing completion.

The timetable for the Neighbourhood Plan Review had been reassessed, and the anticipated completion date of the Review had extended beyond the original November 2026 target date and was now July 2027.

Resolved: that the update be noted.

The meeting commenced at 7.00pm and closed at 7.34pm. 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.