



## **PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING**

**Minutes** of the Planning Committee Meeting on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2026  
Held at Robertsbridge Youth Centre, 7.30pm

**Present:** Cllr Natalie Bishop; Cllr Fran Dulley; Cllr Sean O’Hara

**Also in Attendance:** Gill Colquhoun (Assistant Clerk); Cllr Sue Prochak (RDC)

**General Public Press:** None

**Presiding:** Cllr Sean O’Hara

**Public Questions and Comments** – None

1. **Apologies and Reasons for absence** - Councillor Nick Brown had sent his apologies.
2. **Declaration of interests** – Cllr Fran Dulley declared an interest as a friend of the applicant for RR/2026/0259/FULL
3. **Applications for Dispensation** – none.
4. **Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> April 2026** –the Chairman was authorised to sign the Minutes as a correct record of the meeting.
5. **Matters Arising from previous Minutes** (*for information only*) - none
6. **Planning Applications**

<u>Reference</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Parish Council Comment</u>
<b>CONSIDERED AT PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING 6<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2026</b>		
<b>RR/2026/0259/FULL</b>	<p><b>Boarsney Farm, The Stage, Bodiam, TN32 5SR</b> Part demolition and conversion of agricultural buildings to create 9no. residential dwellings with associated cycle/bin stores, parking, landscaping and amended vehicular access</p> <p><b>Support REFUSAL by RDC</b> The Parish Council strongly objects to this application. We believe there are no policies in Rother Local Plan or Salehurst &amp; Robertsbridge Neighbourhood Development Plan which support it. The proposal appears to be to convert a working farm into a housing estate. It is inappropriate development within the rural High Weald setting and is not included as a site for development in the Rother Draft Local Plan 2025-2042. Finally it is not a sustainable development; it has no immediate services.</p>	

## 7. Decision Notices Received

<b>NOTIFICATIONS OF DECISIONS BY ROTHER DISTRICT COUNCIL</b>	
<b>RR/2025/1069/P</b>	<b>53 High Street, Robertsbridge (Senlac Vets)</b> Re-roofing and guttering works to Grade II Listed Building <b>Support Approval by RDC</b> The Parish Council has no objections to the application. 1/12/25 <b>Listed Building Consent <a href="#">Decision Notice 17/4/26</a></b>
<b>RR/2026/0157/TPO</b>	<b>7 Oakland Drive, Robertsbridge</b> Works to Trees Works to Trees T1, T2 & T3 - Hornbeam – Pollard <b>General Comments</b> The Parish Council wishes to protect all trees with TPOs in Robertsbridge, particularly those which have long standing TPOS which is the case for these 3 trees. We support pollarding of these trees to ensure their longevity provided the Rother Planning Officer is happy with the application. We would not support coppicing or removal of the trees.27/3/26 <b>Approved (Conditional) <a href="#">Decision Notice 10/4/26</a></b>

## 8. Any other business (for Information only)

- **Enforcement issues** – *Plots on Beech House Lane* – enforcement proceeding on Article 4 land as high priority, and a planning application received for installation of gates.
- **Conservation matters** – none.

The meeting finished at 7.56 pm.