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PLANNING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on **Tuesday 17 February 2026** at **6:30pm** in the reading room, Richmond House, Richmond Park, Morton Terrace, Gainsborough, DN21 2RJ.

Councillors Present: Councillor Glenn Puxty (Chair)

Councillor David Dobbie (arrived at 6:37pm) Councillor Paul Key

Councillor Doug Owles Councillor Richard Thompson

In Attendance:

Natasha Gardener

Assistant Clerk

PL26/194 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors M Binns, S Blogg, M Devine, P Hooton, K Woolley.

PL26/195 Declarations of Interest

No declaration of interest were declared.

PL26/196 Dispensation Requests

No dispensation requests were received.

PL26/197 Items for Exclusion of Public and Press

No items for exclusion of public and press.

PL26/198 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on Tuesday 20 January 2026 be approved as a true and accurate record and signed by the Chair.

Note: Councillor Thompson abstained on voting on the above resolution.

PL26/199 Planning Application

[Application Ref No: WL/2026/00062 \(received 23/01/26\) any observations to make on the application, please make them by 13/02/2026](#)

[Proposal: Advertisement consent to display 1no. illuminated fascia sign.](#)

[Location: Evans Halshaw Ford Centre, Lea Road, Gainsborough](#)

RESOLVED: To note that time to make comments had passed.

PL26/200 Planning Application

Application Ref No: [WL/2024/00030](#) (received 04/02/26) any observations to make on the application, please make them by 25/02/2026

Proposal: [Planning application for 6 new access points associated with Phase 2.](#)

Location: [Land at Foxby Lane, Gainsborough](#)

Application has been amended as follows:

To extend the red line and add 5 additional accesses of Foxby Lane

Note: 6:37pm – Councillor Key left the meeting.

Note: 6:37pm – Councillor Dobbie arrived at the meeting. Councillor Key returned to the meeting.

RESOLVED: To comment about protecting the green wedge opposite Morrisons that goes up to the road and down to the rural trackway as it adds to the rural character of the entranceway into the town. If there is going to be that many access points, to request a review of the speed limit to 30mph along Foxby Lane.

Note: Councillor Key voted against on the above resolution.

PL26/201 Planning Application

Application Ref No: [WL/2026/00149](#) (received 11/02/26) any observations to make on the application, please make them by 16/03/2026

Proposal: [Planning application for demolition of existing building and redevelopment of site for residential development of 64no. apartments being variation of conditions 2, 4, 5 & 6 of planning permission 145244 granted 6 April 2023 - agree method of demolition and to amend the wording of conditions.](#)

Location: [Gleadells Wharf, Bridge Street, Gainsborough](#)

RESOLVED: To support the application.

Note: Councillor Dobbie abstained on voting on the above resolution.

PL26/202 Decision Notice (Paper B)

Application Ref No: **WL/2025/01252 GRANTED** (Delegated)

Proposal: T1 Oak - Reduce height to ~18.0m and crown radius to ~6.0m leaving balanced crown. T2 Oak - Reduce height to ~18.0m and crown radius to ~6.0m leaving balanced crown. T3 Oak - Reduce height to ~16.0m and crown radius to ~7.0m leaving balanced crown. TPO T19, T18 and T17 respectively, of Tree Preservation Order Gainsborough 1955.

Location: 6 Mayflower Close, Gainsborough

RESOLVED: To NOTE the decision notice, but to request clarification on if these applications were discussed at the Town Council's Planning Committee.

PL26/203 Decision Notice (Paper C)

Application Ref No: **WL/2025/01216 GRANTED** (Delegated)

Proposal: 2843 Sycamore - Fell. 659 Sycamore - Fell. 2844 Sycamore - Fell. Within A1 of Tree Preservation Order Gainsborough 1961.

Location: Tighe Bruadair, Summer Hill, Gainsborough

RESOLVED: To NOTE the decision notice, but to request clarification on if these applications were discussed at the Town Council's Planning Committee.

PL26/204 Decision Notice (Paper D)

Application Ref No: WL/2025/01155 GRANTED (Delegated)

Proposal: T1040 beech - fell. T1042 beech - fell. T1043 sycamore - fell. T859 horse chestnut - lift crown to give shed roof 4m clearance. A1 of Tree Preservation Order Gainsborough 1961.

Location: Highfield House, Summer Hill, Gainsborough

RESOLVED: To NOTE the decision notice, but to request clarification on if these applications were discussed at the Town Council's Planning Committee.

PL26/205 Decision Notice (Paper E)

Application Ref No: WL/2025/01128 GRANTED (Delegated)

Proposal: Sycamore T871 - reduce to 10m height. T18 of Tree Preservation Order Gainsborough 1961.

Location: Summer Hill House, Summer Hill, Gainsborough

RESOLVED: To NOTE the decision notice, but to request clarification on if these applications were discussed at the Town Council's Planning Committee.

PL26/206 Decision Notice (Paper F)

Application Ref No: WL/2025/01059 GRANTED (Delegated)

Proposal: Listed building consent for façade renovation works including 2no. replacement windows and shop front.

Location: 33 Market Street, Gainsborough

RESOLVED: To NOTE the decision notice.

PL26/207 Decision Notice (Paper G)

Application Ref No: WL/2025/01058 GRANTED (Delegated)

Proposal: Planning application for façade renovation works including 2no. replacement windows and shop front.

Location: 33 Market Street, Gainsborough

RESOLVED: To NOTE the decision notice.

PL26/208 Decision Notice (Paper H)

Application Ref No: WL/2025/00972 GRANTED (Delegated)

Proposal: Planning application for erection of 4no. dwellings with associated works and infrastructure

Location: Land at Foxby Lane, Gainsborough

RESOLVED: To NOTE the decision notice.

PL26/209 Decision Notice (Paper I)

Application Ref No: WL/2025/00348 GRANTED (Delegated)

Proposal: Planning application for 9no. flats, secure bin storage and cycle storage, and off road parking

Location: Land at North Street (Rear of Friendship Hotel), Gainsborough

RESOLVED: To NOTE the decision notice.

PL26/210 Decision Notice (Paper J)

Application Ref No: WL/2025/00965 GRANTED (Delegated)

Proposal: Planning application for the demolition of existing structures, and erection of an A1 foodstore, with access, car parking, servicing, sub-station, hard and soft landscaping, and other associated works, including remodelling of the elevations of the adjoining property The Lindsey Centre being variation of condition 19 of planning permission 133654 granted 27 April 2016 - extend the delivery hours.

Location: Lidl UK GMBH, Beaumont Street, Gainsborough

RESOLVED: To NOTE the decision notice.

PL26/211 Street Naming Requests

No street naming requests were received.

PL26/212 Tree Preservation Orders

No tree preservation orders were received.

Note: Councillor Dobbie requested it be noted that tree preservation orders hadn't come through to the Town Council's Planning Committee.

PL26/213 Changes to Hedge Height Legislation

RESOLVED: To NOTE the below response from WLDC regarding hedge height legislation.

The legislation has not changed nor is there any planned changes. The high hedges legislation is within Part 8 of the Anti- Social Behaviour Act 2003.

Hedges can be grown to any height; there is no maximum hedge height. It is only if the hedge is having an adverse impact on a neighbours enjoyment of their property because of its height that a high hedge complaint could be made to the Council as a last resort, and if the case is taken on, the Council would assess the situation to see if the hedge needs reducing in height and if so, to what height.

PL26/214 Items for Notification

- i. DMMO Application for footpath from Mayfield to Margaret Close
- ii. Asset Transfer Response – Queensfield Playing Field

PL26/215 Time and Date of Next Meeting

RESOLVED: To NOTE the next Planning Committee meeting is scheduled for Tuesday 17 March 2026 at 6:30pm.

The meeting closed at 7:26pm.

Signed as a true record of the Meeting: _____ Dated _____
Presiding Chair of approving meeting