

WROUGHTON PARISH COUNCIL

PLANNING & HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE



Notes of the meeting held on 21st January 2026 at 7.30pm at The Ellendune Community Centre, Wroughton, Swindon, SN4 9LW

Present:

Cllr H Woodward (Chair)
Cllr M Smith (Vice Chair)
Cllr J Hewer
Cllr D Archer
Cllr W McGregor
Cllr M Trigg (Non committee member)

Clerk – Emma Freemantle

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PH/244 **Apologies for absence.**

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr L Coady and Cllr N McMahon.

PH/245 **Declarations of Interest & Applications for Dispensation**

There were no declarations of interest.

PH/246 **Public Question Time**

A member of the public present raised concerns regarding the ongoing issues with large HGV vehicles and operational hours at the Berkley Farm Dairy.

The Grange “Residents” working group for the Berkeley Farm Dairy complaints, continues to report concerns about vehicles reversing unsafely, an issue that remains unresolved and will need to be incorporated into the parish council’s formal correspondence. Complaints relating to Prospect Hospice (at the Wroughton Business Park) have also been noted, although further information is required.

A letter to Danny Kruger was sent immediately by the residents group, yet residents continue to raise concerns about the constant hum of the generator and the ongoing regularity of noise complaints. The noise next the residential area remains unbearable. It has also become clear that the Goslings’ operations have expanded beyond the capacity of the business park, as they now occupy three units; however, there is still uncertainty regarding ownership, with either Nick or Ed believed to be responsible.

The Environment Officer from Swindon Borough Council has requested that residents compile a three-week diary documenting disturbances. The officer is due to visit the site with her manager this week. The parish council will liaise directly with her and will also submit its own formal complaint in support of the residents. Additionally, the Traffic Commissioner has been contacted regarding vehicle-related concerns, and a response is awaited. The parish council will continue to monitor all issues and coordinate its actions accordingly with sending back correspondence to SBC and the Traffic Commissioner.

PH/247 **Minutes**

Members RESOLVED to approve the minutes of the meeting held on 17th December, the Chair signed the minutes.

Members NOTED that the meeting on 07th January did not take place due to lack of business.

- PH/248** **Updates and Information for Noting only**
 Members NOTED the formatting of this agenda item is changed as there is a need to keep track of actions arising from previous meetings and to take note of ongoing working parties and projects. A copy of this list has been issued by the Clerk, copy is attached as Appendix A to the minutes.
- PH/249** **Planning Applications Examination**
- PH/249.1** **Application no:** S/HOU/26/0012
Location: 1 Stirling Close, Wroughton, Swindon, SN4 9HG
Proposal: Erection of Single Storey Side and Rear Extension
Deadline: **NO OBJECTION**
- PH/250** **Members NOTED the following planning decisions made by Swindon Borough Council OR NOTED those which have been withdrawn.**
- PH/250.1** **Application no:** **S/HOU/25/1312/JOPL**
Location: 37 Wharf Road, Wroughton, Swindon, SN4 9LF
Proposal: Extension of existing drop kerb.
Decision: **Granted Permission/Delegated Decision**
- PH/250.2** **Application no:** **S/ADV/25/1337/LZWI**
Location: 45 Devizes Road, Wroughton, Swindon, SN4 0SA
Proposal: Retention of 1no. fascia sign, 1no. projecting sign, 2no. digital screens, 5no. vinyl's in entrance door and shop window.
Decision: **Split Decision for Advertisement Consent/Delegated Decision**
- PH/250.3** **Application no:** **S/25/1429/RACH**
Location: Land At Science And Innovation Park, Hangar 2D, Wroughton, Swindon
Proposal: Erection of a temporary Renewable Natural Gas Facility, solar array and associated infrastructure (Variation of Condition 2 -Plans from Planning application S/24/1348).
Decision: **Granted Permission/Delegated Decision**
- PH/250.4** **Application no:** **S/AMEND/25/1553/MCKELL**
Location: 1 Stirling Close, Wroughton, Swindon, SN4 9HG
Proposal: Non-Material Amendment from previous application S/HOU/25/0819 - relating to change rear window to a door and change flat roof to rear elevation to pitched roof.
Decision: **Minor Amendment Refused/Delegated Decision**
- PH/250.5** **Application no:** **S/AGRI/25/1594/GUESTA**
Location: Overtown Farm, Overtown, Wroughton, Swindon, SN4 0SH
Proposal: Construction of roof over existing silage clamp and extension to existing agricultural building.
Decision: **Prior Approval not required/Delegated Decision**
- PH/251** **Footpath, Cycling and Bridle Way Working Party**
 Members NOTED that the next Footpath, Cycling and Bridleway working party is booked on 05th February 2026 at 10.30am. The working party will consider the ongoing Swindon Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan and make a recommendation to the next Planning and Highways committee meeting.

Members also NOTED that the next parish council litter pick day in connection with “Spring Clean” week will be taking place on Thursday 26th March 2026.

The Chair provided an update on the footpath list which has been updated following the previous walking day in September 2025, a copy of the list is attached as Appendix B in the Minute Book.

PH/252 Flood Working Party

Members DEFERRED the notes of the working party which took place on 12th January 2026

Cllr M Trigg and the Chair Cllr H Woodward are attending a site visit with Thames Water to the Wroughton Reservoir next week. They will report back to the next meeting and also update the flood working group.

PH/253 Neighbourhood Plan Working Party (NHP)

Members received the notes from the NHP working Party on 19th January 2026, a copy is attached as Appendix C in the Minute Book.

A copy of the document explaining the NHPs expiry date and consequences is also attached as Appendix B in the Minute Book.

All NOTED the next NHP meeting will be held in February with potential meeting of consultant to assist the parish council in bringing forward a new revised policy based NHP.

PH/254 To note any new potential Strategic Priorities for 2026-27 for recommendation to the Finance & General Purposes Committee.

None

PH/255 Future Agenda Items

To consider future agenda items for the Planning and Highways Committee.

Common Farm Woods / Solar Farms Grounds Maintenance – insurance cover and schedule of works.
BDNG Call for sites to remain.

Notes to follow from the Flood Working Party

The meeting closed at 8.21pm.

Signed
Chair, Planning & Highways Committee

Date