



Laxfield Parish Council Planning Committee Meeting



2 December 2025 at 6:00 pm in the Guildhall Parish Room

MINUTES

Attendees: R. Sutton (Chair), D Martindale, S Ellis, C. Baldry, D Alchin, P Lowe (clerk)

1. Open forum

No members of the public attended the meeting.

2. Apologies and approval of absences

None.

3. Declarations of interest

None.

4. Planning - the following applications were discussed, as requested by MSDC:

APPLICATION FOR PLANNING PERMISSION - DC/25/04896

Proposal: Application under S73 for Removal or Variation of a Condition following grant of Reserved Matters 1356/03 Dated 12/04/2004 and subsequent Non-Material Amendment under DC/25/04510 Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended) - Severance of Land for Residential Development, Erection of 5No. Dwellings. Approval of Reserved Matters Under Outline Permission OL/88/03 - To vary effective Condition 1 (Approved Plans and Documents) as granted under NMA - to substitute amended site layout drawing and design proposals for 'Plot 2'. To replace approved drawing 2658 - Proposed Block Plan with drawing no. 25188 2 Proposed Block Plan. To replace approved drawing 2658 - Proposed Floor Plans and Elevations - Plot 2 with drawing no. 25188 1 Proposed Block Plan Plot 2.

Location: The Brambles, The Street Laxfield Woodbridge Suffolk IP13 8DZ.

Number of supporting documents: 3

Application received: 6 November 2025, Laxfield PC deadline: 2 December 2025

Comments: No objections

APPLICATION FOR PLANNING PERMISSION - DC/25/05169

Proposal: Householder Application - Erection of a New Woven Willow Fence.

Location: Blyth House Bickers Hill Road Laxfield Woodbridge Suffolk IP13 8EZ.

Number of supporting documents: 9

Application received: 26 November 2025, Laxfield PC deadline: 24 December 2025

Comments: No objections

APPLICATION FOR PLANNING PERMISSION - DC/25/05211

Proposal: Notification of works to trees subject to a Tree Preservation Order T1/438 - Oak - Target prune over extended limbs to bring back into a natural shape, clean up areas of 'bad tree surgery', remove any deadwood.

Location: 9 Felgate Close Laxfield Eye Suffolk IP13 8FF.

Number of supporting documents: 3

Application received: 1 December 2025, Laxfield PC deadline: 22 December 2025

Comments: Awaiting feedback and confirmation from Laxfield Tree Warden.

5. The following point was discussed without any need for approval:

- **Gorams Mill Lane development:** Some residents have expressed concerns about the large delivery vehicle size used to bring material to the site, blocking the road for other drivers. There has also been a marked deterioration of road condition, which is affecting neighbouring properties. Cllr Baldry has already submitted multiple planning enforcement requests to MSDC Planning team. Clerk has spoken to Blue Door construction and they have agreed to carry out some remedial work to the road edges once the development is completed in Spring 2026.
- **Royal Oak:** Further work has been carried out to check planning requirements for the public house, including approvals for the recent external repaint, sign replacement and the two outside gazebos, in terms of whether they are temporary or permanent structures, and if they need planning approval or a lawful development certificate. So far there has been no planning applications submitted for this property since 1987.

Clerk to carry out further work to:

- Clarify ownership of Church Plain and the bricked section in front of the Royal Oak, via the HM Land Registry
- Contact Trust Inns to ask if they intend to take the formal planning approval route for the gazebos – and explore the possibility of taking down the second gazebo to open up the building fascia again, given the building's prominence in the centre of the village.

Meeting closed at 6:55 pm.

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