

WEST MERSEA TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY PLANNING & HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD ON TUESDAY 26 MAY 2026 AT 10AM

In attendance:

Cllr Nigel Hinderwell (Chairman)	Cllr John Akker	Cllr David Baker
Kirsty Wadsworth (Town Clerk)		

26/31 Apologies for absence

Apologies received and accepted from Cllr Webster.

26/32 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr. Akker. I declared a non-pecuniary interest in agenda item 35b, application 260566. He was the Council's representative at the Appeal hearing that objected at what could be seen to be a very similar application by the same developer. To avoid any perception of bias or predetermination, Cllr Akker declared that he would not participate in the discussion or vote on this item.

26/33 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

A period of up to 15 minutes (maximum of 3 minutes per person) for members of the public to ask questions or submit comments about items on the agenda.

No members of the public in attendance.

26/34 To confirm minutes of the Planning & Highways Committee meeting of 12th May 2026

It was resolved unanimously to accept the minutes of 12th May 2026.

Proposed: Cllr Hinderwell, Seconded: Cllr Akker. All in favour.

26/35 To consider Planning Applications received

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

(a) 260810

Proposed rear extension. 5 The Coverts, West Mersea.

WMTC comments: No objection.

Proposed: Cllr Baker, Seconded: Cllr Hinderwell. All in favour.

(b) 260566

Outline application for demolition of existing dwelling and erection of 52 new dwellings.

Land at, 102 East Road, West Mersea.

Councillor Akker declared an interest; as a result, the meeting became inquorate and no formal business could be transacted.

26/36 To receive notification of Planning Decisions

PLANNING DECISIONS

Appeal lodged

(a) 252151

The removal of the installed Cabrio windows x 2 on the rear elevation and installation of 2x 940mm x 2520mm fixed and sloped Velux windows, with the bottom panel to have a frosted or opaque vinyl applied. 5 Fairhaven Avenue, West Mersea.

Meeting closed at 10.10am.