

WEST MERSEA TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PLANNING & HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD ON WEDNESDAY 9 SEPTEMBER 2026 AT 10AM

In attendance:

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

26/52 Apologies for absence

Apologies received and accepted from Cllr Boylan and Cllr Webster.

26/53 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest.

26/54 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.

26/55 To confirm minutes of the Planning & Highways Committee meeting of 24th August 2026

It was resolved unanimously to accept the minutes of 24th August 2026 with the minor amendment - Cllr Akker is to be added to the list of attendance.

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

26/56 To consider Planning Applications received

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

(a) 261222

Erection of single storey detached outbuilding. Elm Tree House, 104 Coast Road, West Mersea.

WMTC comments: No objections.

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

(b) 261533

Proposed two storey rear extension to existing dwelling. Replacement of existing garage flat roof with a new pitched roof and single storey garden store to the rear.

2 Norfolk Avenue, West Mersea.

WMTC comments: No objections.

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

(c) 261563

Single storey side extensions to garage and installation of 1.8m fence on boundary.

37 Firs Chase, West Mersea.

WMTC comments: No objection to the single-story side extension. It was noted that the 1.8m fence would appear to be out of keeping with the street.

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

(d) 261436

Application for Lawful Development Certificate for proposed conversion of two dwellings into one.
17 & 15 Queen Anne Road, West Mersea.

WMTC comments: No comment.

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

26/57 To receive notification of Planning Decisions

PLANNING DECISIONS

Application passed

(a) 261183

Loft conversion with new rear dormer and internal configuration to existing residential bungalow.
Erection of single storey ancillary annex within rear garden. 24 Dawes Lane, West Mersea.

Application refused

(a) 260566

Outline application for demolition of existing dwelling and erection of 52 new dwellings.
102 East Road, West Mersea.

Planning Enforcement Appeal

(a) 6014705

Land known as Oyster, Laying on the southwest side of Coast Road, West Mersea.

Meeting closed at 10.30am.