

**LYME REGIS TOWN COUNCIL
PLANNING COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 27 JANUARY 2026**

Present:

Chairman: Cllr G. Turner

Members:, Cllr S. Cockerell, Cllr S. Larcombe, Cllr P. May

Officers: M. Green (deputy town clerk)

25/41/P Public Forum

There were no members of the public present who wished to speak.

25/42/P Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from:

Cllr C. Aldridge

Cllr M. Denney

25/43/P Minutes

Proposed by Cllr P. May and seconded by Cllr S. Cockerell the minutes from the meeting on 16 December 2025 were **ADOPTED**.

25/44/P Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

There were none.

25/45/P Dispensations

There were none.

25/46/P Member planning recommendations

There were none.

25/47/P Matters arising from the minutes of the Planning Committee held on 16 December 2025.

There were none.

25/48/P Update Report

There were none.

25/49/P Planning and Licensing Applications

1. P/FUL/2025/07525

FULL PLANNING APPLICATION- RECEIVED 07.01.26

Erect temporary site compound within Holmbush Car Park to contain the following: a mobile welfare unit; area for storage and plant; parking area; a Heras fence boundary around the perimeter of the compound
Holmbush Car Park Pound Street Lyme Regis DT7 3HX

Members noted the additional pressure the planned compound could place on the remaining public parking in the town centre for a temporary period but considered the application should be supported to assist in the delivery of the important 'turning the tide' programme of works.

The town council recommends approval of the application because the use is only temporary, there is no long-term harm arising from the planned development and it assists in the delivery of important town-wide improvements to the foul and surface water drainage infrastructure.

2. P/FUL/2026/00175

FULL PLANNING APPLICATION – RECEIVED 19.01.26

The site will be in use for approximately 18 months as a temporary construction compound (ca.160.2m (L) x 32.4m (W)) to assist with the upgrade works at Horn Bridge Sewage Pumping Station (SPS) and Uplyme Sewage Treatment Works (STW) as part of the UK's water industry Asset Management Period (AMP) 8, where all the sites have the drive to achieve two significant (>50m³) spills per bathing season in aggregation by March 2027.

The site compound will contain the following:

- Type 1 stone on the ground.
- 1 No. office 8.0m (L) x 3.0m (W) x 2.5m (H) colour blue.
- 1 No. meeting room 8.0m (L) x 3.0m (W) x 2.5m (H) colour blue.
- 1 No. canteen 8.0m (L) x 3.0m (W) x 2.5m (H) colour blue.
- Vehicle parking bays.
- 1 No. 3 in 1 Toilet Block 5.0m (L) x 3.0m (W) x 2.5m (H) colour blue.
- 1 No. Drying Room 5.0m (L) x 3.0m (W) x 2.5m (H) colour blue.
- Generator 3.0m (L) x 3.0m (W) x 2.5m (H).
- Bunded Fuel Bowser 3.8m (L) x 1.6m (W) x 2.0m (H).
- 3 No. skips 3.8m (L) x 1.8m (W) x 2.0m (H) colour yellow.
- 2 No. storage containers 7.0m (L) x 3.0m (W) x 2.5m (H) colour yellow.
- A soil bund 2.0m (W) x 2.0m (H) located around the perimeter of the compound.
- A Heras fence boundary 2.0m (H) around the perimeter of the compound 1m from the soil bund.
- Site entrance / exit gates.
- 2 No. Storage and plant areas.
- 1 No. Turning circle

Middle Mill Farm Colway Lane Lyme Regis DT7 3UB

Members discussed vehicular access to the site and issues about the maintenance of Horn Bridge.

The town council recommends approval of the application because the use is only temporary, there is no long-term harm arising from the planned development and it assists in the delivery of important town-wide improvements to the foul and surface water drainage infrastructure.

3. P/HOU/2025/07622

HOUSEHOLDER PLANNING PERMISSION – RECEIVED 16.01.26

Restoration/refurbishment of drying stove/fulling tower to provide home-office/hobby room

22 Lym Close Lyme Regis DT7 3DE

Members discussed the intended design and height of the roof structure and the visibility of the structure from various vantage points. The general view was the tower was an important local feature and the proposals helped to secure its preservation and use.

The town council recommends approval of the application because it is in general accordance with the approved development plan and the proposals will secure the future preservation and use of an important non-Listed heritage asset without causing harm to the residential amenity of neighbouring properties.

4. P/FUL/2025/07310

FULL PLANNING APPLICATION – RECEIVED 19.01.26

Construction of 1 no. dwellinghouse and associated external works and landscaping

Land To Southwest of Stile Lane Lyme Regis

Members noted the reduced scale of the proposed development and the comments of the geotechnical engineer. However, they remained of the opinion that the residential development of this site would have a detrimental effect of the character of the area and the setting for the seafront gardens and the Cobb area in general. They also questioned connection to services and how materials would be delivered to site given the lack of any public vehicular access.

The town council recommends that this application be refused because the intended built development and its residential use would have a detrimental impact on the character and appearance of the public seafront gardens and woodland area and on inland views from the historically important Cobb and harbour area in general.

25/50/P Planning Decisions

Noted

25/51/P Planning Correspondence

There were none.

The meeting closed at 8.03 pm