



MINUTES OF LYDNEY TOWN COUNCIL
PLANNING & HIGHWAY COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CLAREMOUNT HOUSE,
HIGH STREET, LYDNEY
ON MONDAY 13TH OCTOBER 2025 AT 6.00PM

Present: Councillors: C Harris (Chair), S Hillier, S Holmes, M Howard (6.04pm), P Johns (Vice Chair) and T Saunders

Also Present: M Greenfield (Clerk)
 L Bendall (Minute Taker – Assistant Clerk)

Members of the Public: 2 members of the public

Councillor Harris welcomed all present and gave the usual 'housekeeping' announcements.

OPEN FORUM

A Lydney resident commented on Planning Application [P1159/25/FUL](#) (Agenda Item 7F) relating to 62 new dwellings on land at Highfield Road concerns included:

- **Highway safety** – lack of visibility when turning left from the A48 onto Highfield Road and recent traffic incidents at the junction. Suggestions included extending the proposed footpath from Abbotts Gate to the bus stop at Rodley Manor Way, reducing the national speed limit to 30mph, and introducing traffic controls and speed cameras.
- **Public Rights of Way (PROW)** – ensuring minimum requirements are met and improving pedestrian safety by providing safe crossing points with refuges across both the A48 and Highfield Road.

It is noted that Cllr Howard joined at the meeting at 6.04pm

- **Drainage and flood risk** – concerns over surface water run-off and the need for suitable drainage to prevent flooding into surrounding land.
- **Wildlife and nature conservation** – presence of slow worms and deer noted on the site.
- **Impact on community and local services** – the development's potential strain on schools, NHS services, and local infrastructure, and the importance of ensuring adequate provision to support growth and attract new businesses.

1. **APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received and noted from Cllr Taylor.

2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

No declarations of interest were received.

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3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the Committee meeting held on **Monday 8th September 2025**.


It was proposed and seconded that the Minutes of the Committee held on Monday 8th September 2025 be approved.

Resolved: Unanimously Approved

HIGHWAY, FOOTPATH & TRANSPORT ISSUES

4. TEMPORARY ROAD/FOOTPATH CLOSURES, CREATIONS/DIVERSIONS

- 4.1 To receive notification from Gloucestershire County Council advising pathways FLY18 from its junction to FLY19 to its junction of FLY21 closure has been extended from 10th September for up to 6 months. The closure is necessary to safeguard the health and safety of the public due to an unsafe bridge.
Noted
- 4.2 To receive notification from Gloucestershire County Council advising of a temporary partial road closure of Mount Pleasant Road from its junction with Lakeside Avenue to its junction with Valley Road for a distance of approx. 264 metres from 13th October to 15th October 2025. The reason for this closure is for maintenance to an energy supply.
Noted
- 4.3 To receive notification from Gloucestershire County Council advising of a temporary partial road closure of Lydney Road from outside property Hulks Farm to outside the property Badhamsfield for a distance of approximately 750m from 25th November until 27th November 2025. The reason for this closure is for drainage works.
Noted
- 4.4 To receive notification from GCC Highways advising of urgent road closure to part of Stanford Road for its junction with Bream Road to its junction with Grove Road for distance of approx. 90 metres. The closure is from 6th October and can continue for up to 5 days to allow urgent lining works.
Noted
- 4.5 To receive notification from Gloucestershire County Council advising extended closure of pathway FLY 44 from its junction to FLY 43 for approx. 1640 metres to its junction to FLY 50. Extension has been granted until 19th April 2023 to allow nailing and netting of railway embankments.
Noted
- 4.6 To receive notification from Gloucestershire County Council advising extended closure of pathway FLY 42 from its junction with Naas Lane for approx. 280 metres west of the Lydney Bypass. Extension has been granted until 20th April 2027. The closure is necessary to safeguard public whilst construction works take place.
Noted

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- 4.7 To receive a works schedule of upcoming surface works within Lydney with planned works starting from 1st November 2025
Noted
County Cllr Howard advised that the scheduled works relating to parts of Station Road were funded from his budget.

5. **HIGHWAY/TRANSPORT MATTERS AND CORRESPONDENCE**


Highways Transport correspondence to Note

- 5.1 To receive and note Community Speedwatch Camera half-yearly data for 2025
Noted
Clerk confirmed that weekly data was now being shared with the Police.
- 5.2 To receive the speed camera statistics for Bream Road for September
Noted
6. **STREET NAMING**
- 6.1 No nominations received.

PLANNING ISSUES

7. **PLANNING APPLICATIONS TO BE CONSIDERED:**

- A. [P1015/25/FUL](#)
17 Tutnalls Street Lydney Gloucestershire GL15 5PF
Dropped kerb to park car on driveway
It was proposed and seconded that a comment of no objection citing material considerations of Traffic and Parking Issues and Highway Safety be approved.
Resolved: Unanimously Approved
- B. [P1077/25/FUL](#)
48 Primrose Way Lydney Gloucestershire GL15 5SQ
Erection of a single storey side extension. Demolition of existing conservatory.
Chair proposed that a comment of no objection be approved.
Resolved: Unanimously Approved
- C. [P0926/25/FUL](#)
2 South Road Lydney Gloucestershire GL15 5LG
Installation of dropped kerb and creation of off-road parking (retrospective)
Chair proposed that a comment of no objection be approved.
Resolved: Unanimously Approved
- D. [P1125/25/FUL](#)
25 Mount Pleasant Lydney Gloucestershire GL15 5QF
Erection of a single-storey rear extension with a part first floor extension with associated works.
Chair proposed that a comment of no objection be approved.
Resolved: Unanimously Approved

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E. [P1206/25/TPO](#)

Land Off Highfield Road Cross Hands Lydney GL15 5NA

Undertake the following works to trees covered by Tree Preservation Order number DFTPO 135. Coppice Hazel to improve growth and form. Fell 5 x Ash trees due to poor condition and to minimise risk of potential failure. See accompanying Tree Inspection & Tree Hazard Assessment (30th May 2024) for further information. It was proposed and seconded that a comment of no objection citing material considerations of Highway Safety and Tree and Wildlife/Nature conservation be approved.

Resolved: Majority Approved

F. [P1159/25/FUL](#)

Land At Highfield Road Lydney Gloucestershire GL15 4LH

Erection of 62 dwellings (50% Affordable Housing) and associated vehicular access, public open space, landscaping and all associated infrastructure

Chair proposed that the application not be approved on the following material planning considerations:

The Council has significant concerns regarding highway safety, as one of the proposed access points is positioned on a blind corner, creating a dangerous and unsafe entry/exit for vehicles and pedestrians.

The Council also raises concerns about the potential impact on trees and local wildlife, noting that slow worms are known to be present in this area. The Council requests that appropriate ecological assessments and protections are put in place should the application proceed.

Resolved: Majority Not Approved

G. [P1252/25/TPO](#)

48 Woodland Rise Lydney Gloucestershire GL15 5LJ

Fell three Ash trees covered by A1 of Tree Preservation Order number DFTPO 62 (numbered T1, T3 and T4 on accompanying sketch plan and tree survey) to ground level. Ash T1 is bifurcated at its base and is showing early signs of Ash Dieback disease, eastern stem is bifurcated at 1.5 metres, and a chain link fence is included into the western stem. Ash T3, also showing early signs of Ash Dieback disease. Ash T4 is an old pollard in poor condition.

Chair proposed that a comment of no objection be approved.

Resolved: Unanimously Approved

8. **TO NOTE PLANNING DECISIONS RECEIVED FROM FODDC:**A. [P0931/25/TPO](#)

36 Bracken Close Lydney Gloucestershire GL15 5AJ

Reduce major branches of Oak tree covered by T3 of DFTPO 8 by approximately 3 metres over the gardens of 36 & 38 Bracken Close to reduce shading and prevent interference with the buildings, also major deadwood removed over gardens.


Decision: Granted Permission

B. [P0253/25/DISCON](#)

Land On the North and East Sides of Naas Lane Lydney Gloucestershire

Discharge of condition 06 (lighting) relating to planning permission P1975/19/FUL

Decision: Application Withdrawn

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- C. P0898/25/FUL
25 Queen Street Lydney Gloucestershire GL15 5LZ
Erection of a part single storey and part two storey rear extension with associated works.
Decision: Granted Permission
- D. P0785/25/FUL
4 Summerleaze Lydney Gloucestershire GL15 5PS
Removal of existing flat roof (recently constructed extension under planning ref: P0128/22/FUL) and replace with a hipped roof
Decision: Granted Permission
- E. P0631/25/FUL
5 Springfield Road Lydney Gloucestershire GL15 5LT
Proposed drop kerb and creation of driveway to front of dwelling
Decision: Refused
- F. P0912/25/FUL
N G Thai Food Hill Street Lydney Gloucestershire GL15 5HH
Erection of a single storey extension to extend the restaurant with associated works
Decision: Granted Permission


Agenda Items 8A to 8F were noted en-bloc

9. **LICENSING CONSULTATIONS**

- 9.1 No licensing applications received

10. **PLANNING CORRESPONDENCE**

- To note correspondence received and answered and to agree responses, as appropriate.
- 10.1 To consider and decide on the proposed Affordable Led Development of 62 New Homes in Lydney, Stonebond Properties, based on the Planning Pre-Application Policy.
It was noted that this development had now been submitted as a formal planning application so agreed for no further action.
- 10.2 To note correspondence from Forest of Dean District Council Planning Department advising of an appeal to planning application P0631/25/FUL (5 Springfield Road, Lydney)
Noted
11. **TOWN CLERK'S REPORT**
The Clerk's report was received and noted.
12. **COUNCILLORS' REPORTS**
- 12.1 To note Councillors' Reports on Planning/Highway matters
Cllr Johns updated the committee following a GCC Highways meeting held on 7th October, the regular meetings are productive and positive. In summary:

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- Identified works are being progressed. Drainage works are scheduled on Primrose Hill.
- Works on clearing a gully behind Lakeside has been completed
- The return route for the Remembrance Parade has been submitted to Gloucestershire County Council's Highways Manager who has confirmed that the Lengthsman will fill in any holes to reduce trip hazards for parade participants.

12.2 To consider whether any points raised require agenda scheduling:
No Items identified

13. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next Committee meeting has been scheduled for **Monday 10th November 2025**, starting time to be confirmed, at Council Chambers, Claremont House, High Street, Lydney.

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 6.47PM

SIGNED: bl Lewis DATE: 10.11.2025