



MINUTES OF LYDNEY TOWN COUNCIL
PLANNING & HIGHWAY COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CLAREMOUNT HOUSE,
HIGH STREET, LYDNEY
ON MONDAY 8TH DECEMBER 2025 AT 6.15PM

Present: Councillors: C Harris (Chair), S Hillier, S Holmes, P Johns (Vice Chair), G Phelps (6.19pm), E Taylor and T Saunders

Also Present: L Bendall (Deputy Clerk and Minute Taker)
H Sleeman (Business Administrator)

Members of the Public: 1 member of the public

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


OPEN FORUM

A resident expressed their pleasure that Primrose Hill was scheduled for resurfacing. They also raised concerns after reviewing the plans, specifically regarding access to Newerne Street Carpark and the apparent closure of both ends of Lynwood Road. These points related to Agenda Item 4.3. The Chair thanked the resident for their comments and confirmed that the concerns would be considered during discussion of the item.

1.	<u>APOLOGIES</u>
	No apologies were received.
2.	<u>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</u>
	No declarations of interest were received.
3.	<u>MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS</u>
	To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the Committee meeting held on Monday 10th November 2025 . It was proposed and seconded that the Minutes of the Committee held on Monday 10 th November 2025 be approved. Resolved: Unanimously Approved
	It is noted that Cllr Phelps joined the meeting at 6.19pm
<u>HIGHWAY, FOOTPATH & TRANSPORT ISSUES</u>	
4.	<u>TEMPORARY ROAD/FOOTPATH CLOSURES, CREATIONS/DIVERSIONS</u>
4.1	To receive and note the intention to close a section of Forest Road from 5 th January 2026 to 28 th August 2026 each night between 8.00pm and 6.00am to allow infrastructure works. Noted

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4.2	To receive and note upcoming road works schedule within Forest of Dean from 5 th January 2026 to 31 st March 2026. Noted
4.3	To receive and note planned temporary road closure for sections of Albert Street and Allaston Road between 9am and 3pm starting Friday 16 th January 2026 until Tuesday 10 th February 2026 to allow carriageway resurfacing. It was confirmed that the resurfacing of Albert Street would be undertaken overnight to ensure access to Newerne Street Carpark was maintained throughout the day. Cllr Saunders advised the committee that during a recent meeting with MP Matt Bishop it was confirmed that £160 million had been allocated to Gloucestershire Highways. Chair agreed to obtain clarification from Highways regarding access to Lynwood during the resurfacing works. Noted
5.	<u>HIGHWAY/TRANSPORT MATTERS AND CORRESPONDENCE</u>
5.1	Highways Transport correspondence to Note To receive correspondence and agree a response regarding the recent road temporary closure for the Lydney Christmas Parade. Following discussion, Chair proposed for the Deputy Clerk to respond advising the road closure had been authorised by Forest of Dean District Council (FoDDC) and as part of the statutory consultation process, the proposed closure was reviewed by Glos Highways and Police where no concerns had been raised. Resolved: Unanimously Approved
5.2	To note correspondence received from FoDDC regarding temporary road closure of Lydney Christmas Parade. Noted
6.	<u>STREET NAMING</u>
6.1	No nominations received.
<u>PLANNING ISSUES</u>	
7.	<u>PLANNING APPLICATIONS TO BE CONSIDERED:</u>
A.	P111/25/FUL 22 Brookfields Lydney Gloucestershire GL15 4BX Erection of a single storey extension to the south-west elevation Chair proposed that a comment of 'no objection' be made. Resolved: Unanimously Approved
B.	P1356/25/PO3PA 43 High Street Lydney Gloucestershire GL15 5DD Prior approval for the change of use from Commercial, Business and Service (Use Class E) to single dwellinghouse (Use Class C3) It was proposed and seconded that a comment of 'no objection' be made. Resolved: Unanimously Approved

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E.	<p><u>P1418/25/EIA</u> Units 18 - 22 Lighthouse Trade Park Church Road Lydney Gloucestershire GL15 5EN Request for EIA (Environmental Impact Assessment) screening opinion - Proposal for paving over 10,000 sq ft of unused land and build a production plant and supporting activities for our manufacture of a single finished product: a solvent-based Gilsonite-fortified bituminous liquid. Decision: EIA Not Required</p>
F.	<p><u>P1325/25/TCA</u> Bathurst Park Bathurst Park Road Lydney Gloucestershire GL15 5HG Undertake works to various trees in Bathurst Park as per the accompanying tree survey extract and associated mapping Decision: Approved</p>
G.	<p><u>P1161/25/DISCON</u> 51 - 55 High Street Lydney Gloucestershire GL15 5DD Discharge of condition 4(a) (details of ventilation system) and 4(b) (proof of installation and the schedule of maintenance and servicing of the ventilation system) relating to planning permission P0016/24/FUL Decision: Granted Permission</p> <p>Agenda Items 8a to 8G were noted en-bloc</p>
9.	<u>LICENSING CONSULTATIONS</u>
9.1	<p>No licensing applications were received at the time of the agenda being published.</p> <p>A licensing application for a minor variation for the Lidl Store on Newerne Street was received, and it was proposed and seconded to delegate authority to Chair and Vice-Chair to respond on behalf of the committee. Resolved: Unanimously Approved</p>
10.	<u>PLANNING CORRESPONDENCE</u>
	<p>To note correspondence received and answered and to agree responses, as appropriate. No correspondence received</p>
11.	<u>TOWN CLERK'S REPORT</u>
	The Clerk's report was received and noted.
12.	<u>COUNCILLORS' REPORTS</u>
12.1	<p>To note Councillors' Reports on Planning/Highway matters</p> <p>Cllr Saunders reported that a local resident had contacted them to request that speed-reduction measures be considered for Forest Road, due to concerns about speeding traffic. The resident advised they had previously contacted Highways and were informed that an earlier speed survey showed an average vehicle speed of 23 mph.</p>

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C.	<p>P1355/25/FUL Pool House The Pyramid Kings Building Lydney GL15 5HE Change of use to form a self-build specialist care unit from a partly constructed building It was proposed and seconded that a comment of 'no comment' be made. Resolved: Unanimously Approved</p>
D.	<p>P1367/25/FUL Lydney Harbour, Harbour Road, Lydney Glos Removal of three existing temporary cabins and installation of a new welfare building comprising three linked modular steel units Chair proposed that a comment of 'no objection' be made. Resolved: Unanimously Approved</p>
8.	<p>TO NOTE PLANNING DECISIONS RECEIVED FROM FODDC:</p>
A.	<p>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. Decision: Granted Permission</p>
B.	<p>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. Decision: Granted Permission</p>
C.	<p>P1077/25/FUL 48 Primrose Way Lydney Gloucestershire GL15 5SQ Erection of a single storey side extension. Demolition of existing conservatory. Decision: Granted Permission</p>
D.	<p>P0581/25/FUL Cliff Farm Naas Lane Lydney Gloucestershire GL15 4ES Erection of building to be used as a hair salon with associated works. Decision: Granted Permission</p>

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	<p>It was noted that any speed measures would need to be approved by Highways. The matter will be raised at the next Highways meeting to ascertain whether any plans are in place to introduce such measures.</p> <p>Cllr Harris had received an update from District Cllr McDermid relating to the proposed planning development of two bungalows on Albert Street. An extension had been agreed until January to allow additional drainage and ecology reports to be obtained. A further extension has been requested until March 2026 to allow the ecology report to be concluded. Cllr McDermid advised the planning application would be reviewed until this date. Cllr McDermid will keep council updated.</p>
12.2	<p>To consider whether any points raised require agenda scheduling: No items raised</p>
13.	<p><u>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</u></p> <p>The next Committee meeting has been scheduled for Monday 12th January 2026, starting time to be confirmed, at Council Chambers, Claremont House, High Street, Lydney.</p>

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 6.52PM

SIGNED:

John Harris

DATE:

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