



Stoke Mandeville Parish Council

Minutes of the **PLANNING COMMITTEE** Meeting held on 28th July 2026.

The meeting was held in the Committee Room, Eskdale Road.

PRESENT: Councillors: J Theobald (Chair), M Broad, A Lennard, L Prestage, and K Shanahan.

Clerk: A Skeggs

Assistant Clerk: Not Present

Public: None

P26/08	ELECTION OF CHAIR It was proposed by Cllr Shanahan, seconded by Cllr Lennard, that Cllr Theobald be elected as Chair. This was unanimously AGREED .	
P26/09	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE There were no apologies.	
	OPEN FORUM There were no members of the public present.	
P26/10	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST A dispensation had been AGREED at the November 2024 meeting to allow Cllr Prestage to participate in any debate and to vote on any application relating to Richborough Estates and Manor Oak Homes. The dispensation for Cllr Prestage ends on the 31 st October 2028. There were no new requests for dispensation.	
P26/11	MINUTES The Minutes of the previous meeting held on 27 th January 2026 were AGREED as a correct record and signed by the Chair.	
P26/12	NON-DOMESTIC APPLICATIONS a) 26/00013/AOP – Land to the East of Lower Road – Outline planning application for residential development, a primary school, community facilities, open space etc.- Appeal by Landmatch Ltd. Councillors NOTED the appeal and commented that there was no mention of the Neighbourhood Plan, traffic and schooling still needed to be addressed. The volume of affordable housing met the national standards but not the VALP.	
P26/13	DOMESTIC APPLICATIONS The following applications were considered: a) 26/05244/VRC – 6 Roylands – Variation of Conditions 4 and 5 (Vehicular Access). Removal of existing garage and construction of a new single storey rear and side extension. New porch gate and hardstanding for two vehicles. - Councillors were unable to offer an opinion as there were no documents other than application. b) 26/05500/FA – Bucks Goat Centre, Risborough Road – Change of use to form an outdoor nursery with landscaping, fencing, yurts, decking, WCs and a timber shelter (part retrospective). - Councillors voted to offer NO OBJECTIONS.	
P26/14	HAMPDEN FIELDS EMPLOYMENT LAND Cllr Broad highlighted that there would be no GP surgery on Hampden Fields as Westongrove wanted to create a Super Surgery and there was no suitable site. Councillors voted to offer NO OBJECTIONS to the Employment Area but thanked Firethorn for consulting with the Parish Council.	



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P26/15	LAND SOUTH OF STOKE MANDEVILLE DEVELOPER APPEAL Cllr Prestage updated the meeting. He had read the Statement of Case produced by Buckinghamshire Council. Cllrs Prestage and Theobald had met with Greg Smith MP who would be attending the hearing in October for one day. The hearing was due to start on the 27 th October. Consideration was given to having legal representation at the hearing. The key points was that the application was contrary to the VALP and Neighbourhood Plan. A response would be drawn up for the hearing. Cllr Prestage and residents would be attending.	
P26/16	BUCKINGHAMSHIRE COUNCIL LOCAL PLAN CONSULTATION The consultation runs from the 23 rd July until the 6 th September. Greg Smith MP was willing to attend a public meeting. He would be writing a response against the Plan. It was suggested that Laura Kryke-Smith be invited. Information was required on the social housing targets and the waiting list. It was AGREED to hold an Online meeting on the 20 th August between 6pm and 7pm and an In Person meeting on the 25 th August in place of the Planning Committee meeting. Cllrs Shanahan and Theobald would work on the framework for the meetings and Cllr Prestage would produce the A5 leaflet (4 sides) for printing and delivery.	
P26/17	DATE OF NEXT MEETING As the August meeting had been cancelled the next meeting would be on the 22 nd September 2026. The Assistant Clerk to take the minutes.	

The meeting closed at 9.10 pm.

Signed:

Date:

2026

Chair: