

Minutes of a meeting of Frome Town Council’s Extraordinary Planning Committee

Date: 19 March 2026

Time: 7.00pm

Venue: Frome Town Hall, Christchurch St West, Frome BA11 1EB & Zoom

Present:

Frome Town Planning Committee Councillors: Steve Tanner, Polly Lamb, Lyndsey Mayhew, Mark Dorrington, Andy Jones

In attendance:

Members of the public in person: 35 (estimated)

Somerset Councillors in person: 1

Members of the public on Zoom: 4

Somerset Councillors on Zoom: 2

Jane Llewellyn, Planning and Development Manager

Owen King, Planning and Development Project Officer

Table 1 – Agenda items

| Minute Ref | Agenda Item | Action |
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| 2026/013P | 1 QUESTIONS, COMMENTS, AND INFORMATION FROM THE PUBLIC None | |
| 2026/014P | 2 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE Cllr Fiona Barrows, Cllr Phillip Campagna Proposed by Cllr Mark Dorrington seconded by Cllr Andy Jones, agreed unanimous. | |
| 2026/015P | 3 DECLARATION OF MEMBERS’ INTERESTS None | |
| 2026/016P | 4 TO AGREE TO THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 8 January 2026 Proposed by Cllr Andy Jones, seconded by Cllr Steve Tanner, agreed unanimous. | |
| 2026/017P | 6 TO CONSIDER THE MAJOR PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED - APPENDIX 1 ID 885- Proposed by Cllr Mark Dorrington, seconded by Cllr Steve Tanner, agreed unanimous. ID 895 - Proposed by Cllr Andy Jones, seconded by Cllr Lyndsey Mayhew, agreed unanimous. | |
| 2026/018P | 7 DATE OF NEXT MEETING 2 April March 2026, 7 p.m. | |

The Chair closed the meeting at 9.25 pm.

| ID | SC Reference | Address | Ward | Applicant | Description | Type | Consultation Response |
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| 885 | 2025/1205/OUT | Land at 377787 146251, The Mount, Frome, Somerset | Keyford Ward | Barratt David Wilson Homes | Outline application for up to 120 dwellings, access, public open space, landscaping, associated works with all Matters Reserved Except Access. | Outline Application | <p>Objection. The applicant has submitted a new drainage strategy but until we receive comments from the LLFA that issues highlighted in our previous response have been addressed satisfactorily we must maintain an objection. Also without comment from Somerset Highways regarding the latest access proposals, we are concerned that the access is not safe given the speed of traffic, visibility and the number of access points along The Mount B3092. We look forward to receiving their comments.</p> <p>We also have concerns that infrastructure provisions for active travel in relation to the surrounding development and services are insufficient for the location and that car use is underestimated.</p> <p>Once statutory responses have been received we will make further comment.</p> |

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| 895 | 2026/0216/OUT | Land At 379113 150109 Windsbatch Lane Oldford Frome Somerset | Berkley Parish | Mrs J Davies | Outline application with all matters reserved except means of access for the development of up to 360 dwellings & land for a community facility, public open space, play facilities, sustainable urban drainage, ecological mitigation & supporting infrastructure. | Outline Application | Deferred. This is a holding response pending further information to be provided by the developer as requested by statutory consultees, including the LLFA regarding flood impact, Somerset Highways regarding the access and National Highways recommendation that application should not be approved for a period of six months to determine the impact on the strategic road network. We would also like to see more detailed modelling on the increase in vehicle trips across the Stonebridge Estate. |
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