

PONTESBURY PARISH COUNCIL



MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 5TH MAY 2026

Present Councillors D Fletcher, A Windows, M Trow, R Evans, D Jones, G Moss and N Hignett
Clerk to the Meeting: Nicola Young

PLAN.79 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE None received

PLAN.80 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CODE OF CONDUCT
None

PLAN.81 MINUTES OF PLANNING COMMITTEE After a proposal from Cllr D Jones, seconded by Cllr M Trow, it was RESOLVED to approve & sign the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 7th April 2026 as a true and accurate record.

PLAN.82 PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS – An applicant addressed the Committee on his application which is listed on the agenda.

PLAN.83 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

83.1 Planning Decisions for Pontesbury Parish Council Area- Details of planning decisions made up until 5th May 2026 were received.

83.2 Planning Applications for Pontesbury Parish Council Area – The following applications were discussed and the following comments in support of or objected to will be submitted to Shropshire Council Planning:

83.2.1 PLANNING REFERENCE: 26/01213/FUL

DEVELOPMENT PROPOSED: Removal of conservatory, side car port, rear bay extension, removal of chimney, replacement roof to accommodate additional bedroom in new roof space, installation of 3No. bonnet doors to front roof slope, mansard dormer to rear roof slope together with solar panels.
LOCATION: Earls Grove, Shrewsbury Road, Pontesbury, Shrewsbury, Shropshire.

SUPPORT Pontesbury Parish Council support this application as it will provide much need investment and improvement. It is a praise-worthy sustainable development which will lower the carbon footprint. Its appearance will be enhanced and is in line with the varied architectural character of the spine of the village. We make the following suggestions:

- a. A gable on the frontage may be a consideration.
- b. Use of horizontal rather than vertical larch cladding on the front will be in keeping with the character of the village and the parish council design guide.
- c. Solar panels on the south facing frontage of the property are acceptable. It is suggested that the dormers be lowered and to install the solar panels above.

83.2.2 PLANNING REFERENCE: 26/01262/LBC

DEVELOPMENT PROPOSED: Remove and replace 2 no. kitchen windows to the southeast and southwest elevation
LOCATION: Asterley Hall Farm, Asterley, Minsterley, Shrewsbury, Shropshire.

SUPPORT this application as we agree that the windows are beyond repair and will be replaced with windows which match the existing.

83.2.3 PLANNING REFERENCE: 26/01321/FUL

DEVELOPMENT PROPOSED: Erection of rear single storey extension

LOCATION: 19 Ashford Drive, Pontesbury, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY5 0QR.

SUPPORT We support this application, it is an appropriate scale with matching materials and will not significantly impact neighbours amenity and is well screened from the front.

83.2.4 PLANNING REFERENCE: 26/01403/FUL

DEVELOPMENT PROPOSED: Re-use of an existing agricultural building to house 1no. Biomass Boiler Plant together with associated infrastructure and works

LOCATION: Little Halston Farm, Pontesford, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY5 0UF

Further information required:

1. Storage for wood pellets
2. The number of extra vehicle movements to the site
3. Size of the biomass boiler

83.3 APPLICATIONS FOR TREE PRESERVATION ORDERS – To consider submitting comments and/or objections, or receive comments made under delegated powers, on the following applications received for planning consent: None received

PLAN.84 MINSTERLEY ROAD FOOTPATH & FUTURE MONITORING OF DEVELOPMENTS

Cllr Jones raised points that were raised when the Committee considered the Lawrence Park development, as well as the demolition of the former Horseshoes Pub, which happened 3 years after the initial application. The Hall Bank roadside hedge, leaving the visual appearance of the hedge, as well as the visibility when exiting the car park, it a mess. Fencing has been put up 6m in and no diversity of hedgerow briars. He suggests putting a system in place to follow-up on these matters.

Cllr Fletcher reported that:

Island outside Lawrence Park has not yet been adopted.

Hall Bank responsibility of hedgerow is work in progress.

Work towards alleviating these issues at source rather than waiting until the developments have been completed.

1935 Cllr Fletcher left the meeting

Committee members to think about how to monitor developments and bring ideas to the next Planning Committee meeting.

Cllr Hignett has emailed highways officers regarding the design of the roundabout, and requested that Pontesbury Parish Council have a full say on how this progresses. Cllr Hignett will keep the Committee updated.

Cllr Jones requests that an appropriate road crossing be considered.

PLAN.85 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next Planning Committee is **Monday 1st June 2026** and will begin at 6.30pm and held in the Pavilion, Hall Bank, Pontesbury, SY5 0RF.

Meeting closed at 1940