

SUDBURY TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE PLANNING DEVELOPMENT AND HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD IN THE TOWN HALL ON TUESDAY 7TH APRIL 2026 COMMENCING AT 5:30 PM

Committee members present: Mr N Bennett – the chair
Mr S Hall
Mr A Osborne
Miss A Owen
Mr T Regester

Officers in attendance: Mr C Griffin – Town Clerk

1. **SUBSTITUTES AND APOLOGIES**

Apologies had been received from Councillors Mr A Stohr and Mr N Younger.

2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillors Mr A Osborne, Miss A Owen and Mr T Regester declared that they were Babergh District Councillors.

3. **DECLARATIONS OF GIFTS AND HOSPITALITY**

There were no declarations of gifts or hospitality.

4. **REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATION**

No requests for dispensation had been received.

5. **MINUTES**

RESOLVED

That the minutes of the previous meeting held on 23rd March 2026 be confirmed as an accurate record and signed by the Chairman.

6. **REVIEW OF ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

Members reviewed the actions from previous meetings.

7. **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

DC/26/01064 **Proposal:** Application for Listed Building Consent – Replacement and repair of internal doors that do not comply with Health, Safety and Security Procedures.

Location: 30 Market Hill, Sudbury, Suffolk, CO10 2EN

RESOLVED – To recommend approval.

DC/26/00685 **Proposal:** Full Planning Application - Demolition of the existing shop units and erection of 2no. two-storey dwellings, together with an open carport, parking, boundary wall, and associated works.

Location: 50A-52A North Street, Sudbury, Suffolk CO10 1RE.

RESOLVED – To recommend approval.

DEVELOPMENT

8. There were no development issues.

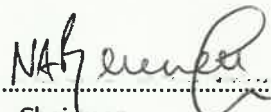
HIGHWAYS

9. **TO DISCUSS THE HIGHWAYS LIST**

Members discussed the following points;

- Cllr Mr T Regester briefed the committee on the meeting that he had had with an officer at Suffolk County Council who had confirmed that there was sufficient funding in the multiyear settlement for active travel to cover the cost of the improvements to the surface of the path from Kingfisher to Bakers Mill. Members were concerned that, although available, the funds had yet to be allocated to this project and asked the Town Clerk to write to Suffolk County Council asking for confirmation that the funding had been secured for this project and the timetable for the work.
- A member was concerned about weeds growing from a metal cover plate on the pavement on the corner of Gregory Street and Stour Street. The Town Clerk offered to have this checked and reported.
- Members were concerned that there had been no consultation on potential changes to the timetable for Konect Buses. There were also concerns that too many buses were being cancelled, often leaving Sudbury residents stranded in Bury St Edmunds. This was a particular problem for those who needed to visit West Suffolk Hospital. The Town Clerk was asked to write to Konect Buses and Suffolk County Council asking when the consultation on a revision of the timetable would take place. Members noted that the bus connection between Chelmsford – Halstead – Sudbury was often very good.
- A member raised a concern that an unauthorised advertising board had appeared on a lamppost on the Waldingfield Road, just after the junction with Alder Way.

The meeting closed at 5:59 pm.

Signed 
Chairman