

**Minutes of a meeting of Halstead Parish Council Planning Committee held at The Pavilion,
Station Road, Halstead TN14 7DH at 9:30am Wednesday 16th April 2025**

Present: Cllr J Peel, Cllr S Gardner, Cllr T Marshall, Cllr L Meaton

In attendance: Parish Clerk

Minute number: P250416:

1. To receive and accept apologies for absence.

No apologies received.

2. Declarations of interest.

- Cllr Meaton declared a non-pecuniary interest in Yearling Coppice Farm.
- Cllr Peel stood down from discussions relating to application 25/00863/FUL – Land South Of Woodside, Otford Lane.

3. Minutes of previous meetings to be approved and signed:

The minutes of the 26th March 2025 Planning Committee meeting were reviewed and approved as a true record and signed.

4. Public participation forum

No public present.

5. Applications:

25/00725/HOUSE - Pitfield Lodge 29 Station Road Halstead Kent TN14 7DH

No objections

25/00863/FUL - Land South Of Woodside Otford Lane Halstead Kent TN14 7EQ

Strong objection on the following grounds:

- Lack of Notification to Neighbours
- Not a Minor Development
- Inappropriate Development in the Green Belt and AONB
- Public Right of Way
- No Very Special Circumstances

25/00629/HOUSE - 7 Station Road Halstead Kent TN14 7DH

No objection

6. Update on Halstead planning issues

- **Oak Tree Farm** - Ongoing concerns about fires on site.
- **Widhurst Farm** - No update noted.
- **Yearling Coppice Farm** – A planning application is expected for the stables. It was noted that SDC had given the applicant three weeks to submit it.
- **Fig Tree House** – A stop notice remains in place. Concerns were raised about surveillance cameras pointed at neighbouring properties, and structural issues were noted in the stable block, which would require a full rebuild and new application.

7. To agree the date of the next Planning Committee as Wednesday 21st May 9.30am

The date of the next meeting was agreed for Wednesday 21st May 9.30am