



Birchington Parish Council

Planning Applications Committee

Meeting held on:

Tuesday 31st March 2026 at 6.30pm

**at the Parish Office, 2 Albion Road,
Birchington, CT7 9DN**

Present:

CLlr Wright (Chairman)

CLlr Fellows

CLlr Prebble

CLlr Blankley

CLlr Houghton

Deputy Parish Clerk – Bill Anderson

Members of the public: 3

P/2025/149 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from the Parish Clerk, Jane Bevan.

P/2025/150 Declarations of Interest

None

P/2025/151 Minutes

The Planning Committee meeting held on 24th February was inquorate. The minutes of the meeting held on 27th January 2026 would be submitted for agreement at the next meeting.

Planning

Please note that the recommendations made at this meeting by the Parish Council in respect of planning applications on the agenda are advisory only.

Due consideration of the Birchington Neighbourhood Plan policies will be taken into account when submitting comments to Thanet District Council.

It is recommended that any comments the public wish to make be submitted direct to Thanet District Council, either via their website or by letter.

P/2025/152 Planning Applications to be discussed (see attachment 1)

See attachment 1 for details.

P/2025/153 Chairman's Report and Public Participation

There were 3 members of the public in attendance.

A member of the public said there would be a 'Scarecrow' event and competition on Dog Acre on 18th April 2026. This was in support of a national day of action to highlight the threat of the countryside and farmland from development. The member of public thanked the Parish Council and other local organisations for their support.

The Chairman thanked the members of the public for their attendance and contribution.

Action

The Chairman welcomed attendees to the new Planning Applications Committee. She said that she had attended a recent TDC briefing about safeguarding for staff and councillors and said that planning applications committee members and other parish councillors should not visit properties which were subject to planning applications independantly. Cllr Blankley suggested that if there was a specific reason to visit a property then a request should be made to the Chairman for consideration – **agreed.**

P/2025/154 Enforcement Action

The Deputy Clerk said he had no further updates.

P/2025/155 Appeals.

The Deputy Clerk said he had no further updates.

P/2025/156 Clerk's Correspondence

None.

P/2025/157 Date and Time of Next Meeting

Tuesday, 21st April 2026 at 6.30pm at the Parish Office, 2 Albion Road, Birchington.

The meeting closed at 7.15pm

Signed by the Chairman of Planning Applications

Cllr Linda Wright

Dated: 11th April 2026

Attachment 1

[F/TH/26/0002 | Erection of first floor rear extension, erection of 6no. dormer windows to existing rear projection and alterations to roof, together with installation of external staircase | Grenham Bay Court Cliff Road Birchington Kent CT7 9JX](#)

Withdrawn

[FH/TH/26/0171 | Erection of detached two storey garage to rear of garden | 29 Dane Road Birchington Kent CT7 9PR](#)

Object – disproportionate, out of character in terms of scale, height, materials and massing and contrary to national, district and local planning policy.

[FH/TH/26/0176 | Erection of single storey rear extension with hipped roof | 47 Kent Gardens Birchington Kent CT7 9RX](#)

Support

[F/TH/26/0018 | Change of use from shop with ancillary living accommodation to shop and 1no. self-contained flat, including alterations to shop front to create a separate access for the first floor flat | 12 Station Road Birchington Kent CT7 9DQ](#)

Support

[F/TH/26/0097 | Change of use of outbuilding to use as a kitchen and WC/shower together with installation of rainwater goods and pump station to the front, repair of external materials and fenestration and removal of front steps | Former Gardener's Bothy, North Of Walled Garden Powell-Cotton Museum, Quex House & Gardens Quex Park Estate Birchington Park Lane CT7 0BH](#)

Support subject to Conservation Officer recommendations

[L/TH/26/0098 | Application for listed building consent for installation of rainwater goods and pump station to the front, repair of external materials and fenestration, removal of front steps and internal alterations including installation of kitchen and WC/shower. | Former Gardener's Bothy, North Of Walled Garden Powell-Cotton Museum, Quex House & Gardens Quex Park Estate Birchington Park Lane CT7 0BH](#)

Support subject to Conservation Officer recommendations

[FH/TH/26/0106 | Erection of first floor front and side extension with pitched roof, single storey side and rear extension with hipped roof incorporating existing garage and installation of 4no. roof lights, together with provision of new roof with rear dormer and alterations to fenestration. | 15 Hereward Avenue Birchington Kent CT7 9LY](#)

Neutral – massing out of character and over bearing on the neighbouring property

[TPO/TH/25/1335 | TH/TPO/4\(1983\)A2 - 1No Sycamore \(T1\) - Crown reduce by 3m in height and 2.5m of lateral spread, 6No Sycamore \(T2, T3, T4, T5, T6, T7\) - Fell | 53 Hunting Gate Birchington Kent CT7 9JB](#)

Support subject to arborist report

[TPO/TH/26/0206 | TH/TPO/3\(2007\) 6 No. Sycamores - 4 to 5m Crown reduction. | 6A Colemans Stairs Road Birchington Kent CT7 9HJ](#)

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[TCA/TH/26/0243 | 1 No. Apricot - 3 metre crown reduction, 1 No. Walnut - 4 metre crown reduction, 2 No. Apple - 2 metre crown reduction, 1 No. Oak - 3 metre crown reduction. | 201 Canterbury Road Birchington Kent CT7 9AH](#)

Support subject to arborist report <u>TPO/TH/26/0265 TH/TPO/4(1983)A2 - 1No Sycamore (T1) and 1 No. Turkey Oak (T2) - Re-pollard to maintain the pollard cycle. Hawthorn (T3) reduce crown by 1m from the tips, leaving appropriate growth points and a natural shape. 47 Hunting Gate Birchington Kent CT7 9JB</u> Support subject to arborist report <u>TPO/TH/26/0286 TH/TPO/24(1986) - 1No Sycamore (T1) - Fell Brenton Lodge 16 Colemans Stairs Road Birchington Kent CT7 9HJ</u> Support subject to arborist report	
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