



Birchington Parish Council
Planning Applications Committee
Meeting held on:
Tuesday 21st April 2026 at 6.30pm
at the Parish Office, 2 Albion Road,
Birchington, CT7 9DN

Present:

CLlr Wright (Chairman)
CLlr Prebble
CLlr Blankley
CLlr Houghton

Jane Bevan – Parish Clerk

Members of the public: 3

P/2025/158 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from CLlr Fellows.

P/2025/159 Declarations of Interest

CLlr Blankley declared an interest on planning application FH/TH/26/0330.

P/2025/160 Minutes

The minutes of the Planning Committee meetings held on 27th January 2026, and 31st March 2026 were presented for approval. The minutes were subsequently **agreed**.

P/2025/161 Public Participation

There were 3 members of the public in attendance. A member of the public referred to the Quex to Coast route and the proposals by developers and Network Rail to install a bridge, and the consequent implications for the existing right of way footpath. The member of the public requested the Parish Council pursued installation of a ramp bridge and that a councillor be appointed to lead on this. Following discussion it was **agreed** to place this issue as an item on the next Place and Environment Committee agenda. It was also **agreed** that the Clerk arranged a meeting with the Active Travel group to discuss this issue with them.

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.

Action

Clerk

P/2025/162 Planning Applications to be discussed (see attachment 1)

See attachment 1 for details.

P/2025/163 Chairman's Report and Matters Arising

The Chairman's report was covered within the agenda items.

P/2025/164 Enforcement Action

The Clerk provided the following updates:

34 Station Road – The Yellow Shop illuminated sign. TDC Enforcement had informed the owners they need to apply for planned permission for the sign.

145 Canterbury Road – The owners had removed the front wall and paved over the garden area for parking. TDC had refused their retrospective planning application and also refused their subsequent appeal.

Casa Mara, Queens Avenue – TDC had been written to regarding the excessively large scaffolding which had been erected above the bungalow.

P/2025/165 Appeals.

The Clerk said there were no further updates.

P/2025/165 Clerk's Correspondence

None.

P/2025/166 Time and Date of Next Meeting

Tuesday, 19th May 2026 at 6.30pm at the Parish Office, 2 Albion Road, Birchington.

The meeting closed at 7.30pm

Signed by the Chairman of Planning Applications

Cllr Linda Wright

Dated:16 May 2026

Attachment 1

[FH/TH/26/0297 | Alterations to roof from hip to gable with erection of 1 no dormer to front, erection of a single storey rear extension with 1 no dormer and juliette balcony to first floor | 62 Epple Bay Road Birchington Kent CT7 9EW](#)

Neutral – concerns were raised regarding the street scene

[FH/TH/26/0330 | Erection of a single storey double garage and garden store room to rear following demolition of existing garage and sheds | 58 Cunningham Crescent Birchington Kent CT7 9LF](#)

Support but on the condition it is not to be used as a future habitable dwelling.

[TPO/TH/26/0337 | M/TPO/3\(1952\)G9 2no Sycamore \(T1, T2\) - Crown reduce by 3m | 3 Edenfield Birchington Kent CT7 9DE](#)

Support subject to arborist report