DRAFT Minutes of the **PLANNING STANDING COMMITTEE** held at **EXHIBITION ROOM** at **THE CIVIC, HUDDERSFIELD ROAD, HOLMFIRTH HD9** on **MONDAY 10 NOVEMBER 2025** at **700pm**.

Attendees: Cllrs Andy Wilson (Chair), Cllr Mary Blacka, Cllr Tom Dixon, Cllr Donald Firth, Cllr Jo Liles, Cllr Steve Ransby.

Welcome

Open Session at Planning

No members of the public were present for the public session.

2526 77 Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 amended by the Openness of Local Government Bodies Regulations 2014 on 6 August 2014

As Local (Parish and Town) Council meetings can now be recorded, the Chair checked if any members of the public wished to record the meeting. The meeting was already being recorded by the Officer for public broadcast via the Holme Valley Parish Council YouTube channel.

No other recordings were made.

2526 78 To accept apologies for absence

No apologies were received.

Noted: Cllr Barnett has resigned from the Parish Council and would not be attending.

2526 79 To receive Members' and Officers' personal and disclosable pecuniary interests in items on the agenda

None declared.

2526 80 To consider written requests for new DPI dispensations

None received.

2526 81 To consider whether items on the agenda should be discussed in private session

Resolved: no item would be held in private session.

2526 82 To Confirm the Minutes of the Previous Meeting

- **Approved:** Minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 6 October 2025, numbered 2526 60 – 2526 76 inclusive.

2526 83 Kirklees Planning Applications

i. - **Noted:** List of Kirklees planning applications 9 September 2025 to 30 September 2025 updated with the views of the Committee.

ii. - The committee considered the new or amended applications received from Kirklees Council 30 September 2025 to 4 November 2025 – List 2526-08.
- **Resolved:** The Planning Committee's comments on the above applications will be forwarded to Kirklees Council by the Officer.
- **Action:** An action for the Assistant Clerk is to write separately to planning enforcement regarding reports of an extractor fan causing disturbance at the Butchers Arms in Hepworth.

iii. - **Noted:** Notification of the sealed order for the diversion of Holmfirth 6 Public Bridleway at Seventy Acre Farm.
- **Noted:** Notice of public enquiry 5644 regarding the diversion of Footpath 60 (date pending).

2526 84 Peak District National Park Authority

i. - No new or amended applications were received from the Peak District National Park Authority from 9 September 2025 to 30 September 2025 inclusive to be updated with the views of the Committee.

ii. - The committee considered new or amended applications received from the Peak District National Park Authority 30 September 2025 to 4 November 2025 inclusive**.**
- **Resolved:** The Planning Committee's comments on the above applications will be forwarded to the Peak District Planning Authority by the Officer.

iii. - Cllr Blacka reported on her attendance of the Peak Parishes Day event on 11 October 2025 and gave an overview of the issues affecting the shaping of the local plan.
- **Noted:** Documents ("Readout") received from the Peak Parishes Day event on 11 October 2025.
- **Resolved:** The previous working group on responding to the PDNPA local plan consultation will reconvene to consult with residents and respond to the Local Plan Preferred Response consultation by the deadline of 21 December 2025.

2526 85 Traffic Calming

i. Mobile SID

Noted: email from Cllr Crook regarding identified locations for the placement of mobile the HV South SID.

Cllr Wilson reported that Cllr Greaves had requested that the HVN SID on Station Road close to Honley High School be left in that location but rotated on both sides of the

road to cover both directions. The committee agreed that they were supportive of this request.

Action: an action for Cllr Wilson and the Assistant Clerk is to write back to HVS Cllrs to request the current schedule again and provide the suggestions for locations from the committee.

ii. 20mph Zones near Schools in the Holme Valley

Cllrs and the Assistant Clerk reported that no response had been made to the request regarding resuming the work on identifying possible areas that may benefit from a 20mph zone. Cllr Liles offered alternative contacts within Kirklees Highways for the Assistant Clerk to follow up.

2526 86 Ongoing highways campaigns, including unmade roads, green lanes and byways of the Holme Valley

The ongoing campaigns are:

Ramsden Road/ Cheesegate Nab

Cllrs and the Assistant Clerk to report on updates received regarding a challenge to the TRO.

2526 87 Planning Policy, Guidance and Consultation

No updates received in this period.

2526 88 Design Code

The list of business addresses with shop fronts in the Holme Valley is also now available for councillors to use as a distribution list.

Cllr Ransby, Cllr Wilson and Cllr Blacka reported on progress, the list of businesses is now reduced to focus on the most relevant to the guide – with the aim of being ready to cascade the guide via Full Council in December.

2526 89 Holmfirth Town Centre Group

Cllr Liles gave updates on information received.

2526 90 Neighbourhood Development Plan

Cllr Ransby to reported on progress with work on the Holme Valley Parish Council Neighbourhood Development Plan actions. The work is now ready for the next phase and Cllr Ransby will be able to report back to the committee at the next meeting in

January.

2526 91 Section 106 Funding

Noted: The most recent Kirklees Council Infrastructure Funding Statement 2023/24 (published December 2024) shows that as of 31 March 2024, approximately £9.06 million of S106-developer contributions remain available across the district, covering categories including public open space, education and highways.

The next annual statement is expected to be published in December 2025.

Cllr Blacka and Cllr Wilson gave an overview of the report and Cllrs discussed the possibilities to engage with local people and help guide the funding towards local need.

Action: The Assistant Clerk will add the next report to the next committee agenda and distribute to all councillors as soon as it is released.

2526 93 Commercial Refuse Storage in Holmfirth Town Centre

Noted: Correspondence from a member of the public regarding the impact of commercial refuse bins within Holmfirth Conservation Area, particularly by the red heritage phone box near the corner of Victoria Street and Huddersfield Road.

At the Planning Committee meeting held on 30 June 2025, members raised similar concerns, and it was resolved that Cllr Wilson would contact the Kirklees Local Centres Programme Manager regarding waste management within the town centre.

Cllrs and the Assistant Clerk gave updates on information received on progress with commercial bin story.

Action: The Assistant Clerk will forward the complaint to Kirklees enforcement and CC HVS Kirklees councillors and let the resident know the action.

2526 94 Planning Committee and Applications Sub-committee 6-month review

At the Planning Committee meeting of **31 March 2025**, Members agreed to establish a Working Group to consider planning applications arising between meetings and to clarify the Committee's remit and criteria for significant applications. A six-month review of the new arrangements was included in the resolution.

At the meeting of **28 April 2025**, Members confirmed the purpose and scope of the Working Group and agreed to form an interim group (comprising all Planning Committee Members) to operate from May 2025 pending the formal sub-committee structure.

Resolved: Following the trial the Committee were satisfied that the Applications Sub-Committee was an improvement to the way in which commenting on applications are handled and would continue in its current form.

2526 95 Planning Standing Committee Expenditure Against Budget and EMRs 2025-26

Noted: The Planning Committee's expenditure against budget 2025-26 year to date:

- The Planning Committee has one budget line under its remit. This is 4505 Neighbourhood Plan. At the start of the 2025-26 Council year, the budget contained £2,500. £30 was spent on room hire for a public meeting, leaving £2,470 remaining.

Resolved: The Committee recommends that any remaining funds in the budget line 4505 Neighbourhood Plan at the end of the 2025-26 council be placed in an EMR for continuing work on the Local Plan update.

2526 96 Planning Standing Committee Budget and EMRs 2026-27

Members considered budget requirements or funding requests for the Council year 2026-27, to be recommended to the Finance & Management Committee and subsequently Full Council for approval.

Resolved: The committee recommends a budget of £1,000 for the Planning Committee budget line in 2026-27 to cover a trial of shop front grants.

2526 97 Publicising the work of Holme Valley Parish Council

The Assistant Clerk updated the Committee on recent and planned activity.

Close 8.36pm