



Abingdon-on-Thames Town Council

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Planning committee

Monday 13 October 2025, 7pm

Old Magistrates Court

AGENDA

Date of agenda: 8 October 2025

To: All Members of the Planning committee

Cllr Mark Giddins

Chair

Cllr Victoria Walker

Vice-chair

Cllr Jim Halliday

Cllr Gwyneth Lewis

Cllr Lorraine Oates

Cllr Colin Sanderson

Cllr Margaret Crick

Mayor, ex-officio

Chair of the Finance, Governance & Asset Management Committee, ex officio

To all other Members of the town council for information only

Dear Member,

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of the **Planning committee** to be held on **Monday 13 October 2025 at 7pm** in the **Bear Room**.

If you would like to provide written comments on any of the items in this agenda, please submit them to the town council as soon as possible so that the committee members are able to view them in advance of the meeting. If written submissions are received on the day of the meeting, they may not be read.

All planning applications can be viewed on the [Vale of White Horse District Council website](http://www.valeofwhitehorse.gov.uk).

Should any committee member be unable to attend and wish to appoint a substitute to the meeting, they should email enquiries@abingdon.gov.uk. Any queries on the agenda should be directed to me.

Yours sincerely

Cherie Carruthers

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Town Clerk/Chief Executive (signed electronically)

Abingdon-on-Thames Town Council

Our Vision

To develop an inclusive community so that Abingdon is the place where everyone wants to live and where the wellbeing of residents is prioritised. In developing this community, the town will be one which is environmentally sustainable, vibrant, resilient and safe.

Our key objectives

1. To respond effectively and speedily to the climate emergency.
2. To develop a resilient, sustainable town which will provide a home for residents now and in the future.
3. To manage the Council's assets efficiently and effectively to meet for the needs of the community now and in the future.
4. To work with community partners to support those who are vulnerable and in need and to create opportunities to increase social inclusivity.

SECTION 1 - open to the public and media

1. Apologies

To receive any apologies for absence.

2. Declarations of interest

To receive any declarations of interest from committee members in relation to any items to be considered at the meeting in accordance with the Local Code of Conduct.

3. Public participation

To receive any statements and questions. These should be submitted in writing to the Town Clerk no later than 5pm on Friday 10 October 2025. This may either be by letter to the address above or by e-mail to enquiries@abingdon.gov.uk.

4. Minutes

To sign as a correct record the draft minutes of the meetings of the Planning Committee of 22 September 2025.

5. **Planning Decisions and Notifications**

District planning applications can be [viewed online](#).

- a. To note the planning decisions and notifications from the District and County Councils, [please follow this link for the applications](#).
- b. To note the planning notifications from the District and County Councils, [please follow this link for the applications](#).

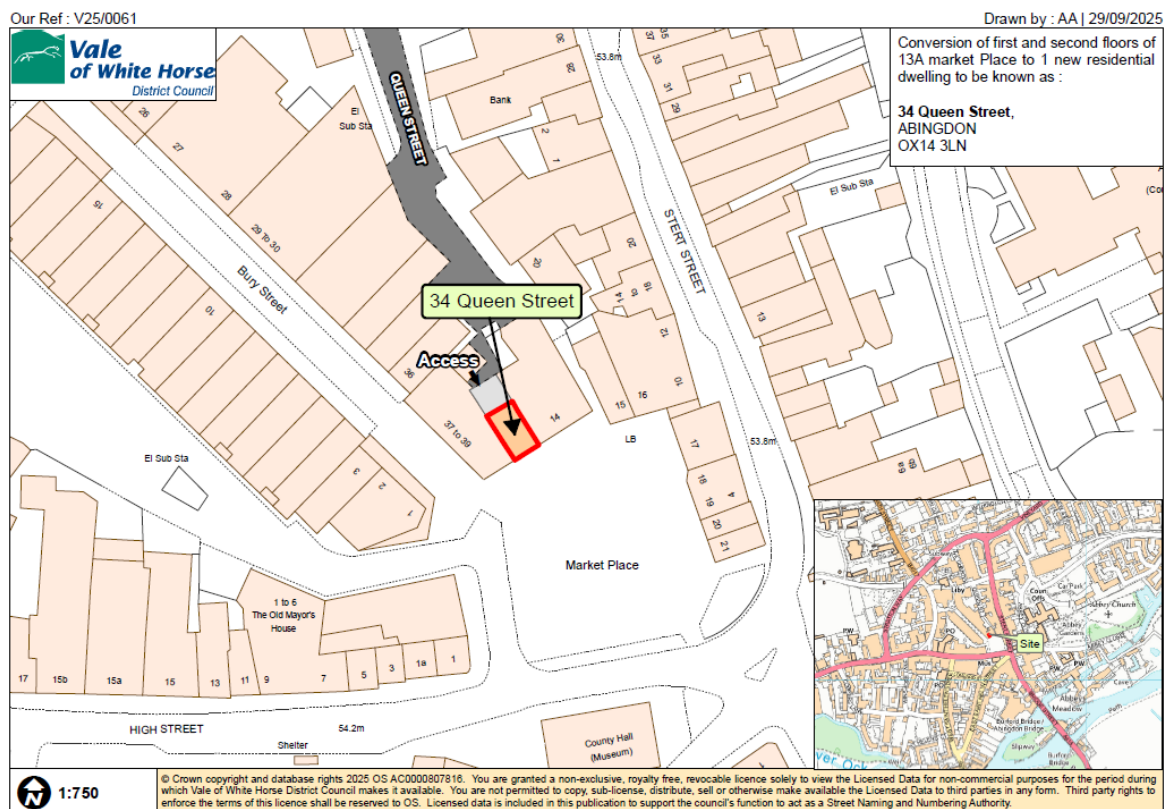
6. **Planning Consultations & Applications**

District planning applications can be [viewed online](#).

- a. To consider the planning consultations and amendments from the District and County Councils, [please follow this link for the applications](#).
- b. To consider the planning applications from the District and County Councils, [please follow this link for the applications](#).

7. **Other Consultations**

- a. To note that the first and second floor of 13A Market Place has been renumbered as 34 Queen Street, Abingdon, OX14 3LN



b. Abingdon East St. Helen Street NCN5 Active Travel Scheme

The Abingdon East St. Helen Street NCN5 Active Travel Scheme is a transport and connectivity scheme to encourage walking, wheeling and cycling in Abingdon town centre, by providing improved cycleway facilities on East St Helen Street and new crossing facilities at the junction of High Street, Bridge Street and Stert Street providing an important link through the town on National Cycle Network Route 5 (NCN5).

- Oxfordshire County Council (OCC) has received a grant from the Government's Active Travel Fund to improve a section of the National Cycle Network Route 5 (NCN5) in Abingdon to make it easier and more enjoyable to walk, wheel and cycle in the town centre.
 - Please follow the [link](#) to the Oxfordshire County Council Transport and travel Abingdon East St. Helen Street NCN5 Active Travel Scheme webpage which includes links to OCC's Abingdon Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan (LCWIP) and timescales for the scheme.
- Oxfordshire County Council would like to hear your feedback on the draft designs for the improved cycleway and pedestrian facilities on East St Helen Street and at the junction of High Street with Bridge Street and Stert Street.

Public Survey

The public survey is open from 12pm on Tuesday 30th September 2025 until 11:59pm on Tuesday 28th October 2025.

Please follow the below links for details on the scheme:

- follow this [link](#) to the Let's talk Oxfordshire site which includes a link to the Survey, scheme plans and artists impression drawings of the proposals.

Drop-in exhibitions

There are two drop-in exhibition events being held:

- Saturday 11th October 2025
10am – 3pm in the Old Magistrates Court, Abingdon Guildhall, Bridge Street, Abingdon, OX14 3HU.
- Tuesday 14th October 2025
4pm – 7pm in the Roysse Room. Abingdon Guildhall, Bridge Street, Abingdon, OX14 3HU.

8. Abingdon Development Updates

To receive any updates on:

- a. North Abingdon Development (Original applications: [P17/V1336/O](#) & [P17/V0050/O](#))

b. Culham Development (Original application: [P24/S1759/O](#))

Please note the planning application below which has been amended and now includes traffic surveys including Abingdon.

[P24/S1759/O](#)

Culham No 1 Site Abingdon Road near Culham OX14 3DA

Demolition of buildings and outline planning application (with all matters reserved) for a phased development of employment floorspace [Use Class E(g), B2 and B8] and all or any of the following uses: hotel floorspace [Use Class C1]; retail floorspace [Use Class E(a) and (b)]; health club / gym floorspace [Use Class E(d)]; creche / childrens nursery floorspace [Use Class E(f)]; restaurant / public house floorspace [Sui Generis]; with all associated landscaping and infrastructure. (As updated by information received 15/07/24, 20/09/24, 24/09/24, 29/01/25 and 04/03/25 and updated plans/information [including updated Environmental Statement] received 16/09/25.

Tree Preservation Order Applications Details - [09S137](#)

Culham No.1 Site Station Road near Culham OX14 3DA

G1 Mixed Species x15 - Crown lift secondary growth to 6m from ground level over access roadway. G2 Cypress x19 - Crown lift secondary growth to 6m from ground level over access roadway. G3 Mixed Species x12 - Crown lift secondary growth to 6m from ground level over access roadway. G4 Mixed Species x48 - Crown lift secondary growth to 6m from ground level over access roadway. G5 Mixed Species x19 - Crown lift secondary growth to 6m from ground level over access roadway. G7 Mixed Species x8 - Crown lift secondary growth to 6m from ground level over access roadway. G8 Sycamore x2 - Crown lift secondary growth to 6m from ground level over access roadway.

- c. Dalton Barracks Development (Link to Dalton Barrack Gardon Village [website](#))
- d. South East Strategic Reservoir Updates – Thames Water (Link for the SESRO [website](#)).
- e. Buckinghamshire, Oxfordshire and Berkshire West Integrated Care Board (BOB ICB)

9. **Albert Park Conservation Appraisal**

To receive a draft of the Albert Park Conservation Appraisal report.

10. **Neighbourhood Plan**

To comment on the Neighbourhood Plan and receive updates and a project timeline from the project manager and councillors.

11. **Joint Local Plan (2041) – South & Vale District Councils**

To comment on the proposed Joint Local Plan and receive any updates from councillors.

12. **Traffic Advisory committee**

The next meeting scheduled for 29 October 2025 has been postponed. A new date has been proposed and is subject to confirmation.

13. **Planning Policy & Legislation changes**

To note or consider any changes.

14. **Dates of future meetings**

3 November
24 November
15 December
12 January
2 February
23 February
16 March
13 April
11 May