



## Abingdon-on-Thames Town Council

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### Planning committee

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April 2026, 7pm

Old Magistrates Court

### AGENDA

**Date of agenda: 8<sup>th</sup> April 2026**

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<sup>th</sup> April 2026 at 7pm** in the **Old Magistrates Court**.

**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](#).

Should any committee member be unable to attend and wish to appoint a substitute to the meeting, they should email [enquiries@abingdon.gov.uk](mailto: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<sup>th</sup> April 2026. This may either be by letter to the address above or by e-mail to [enquiries@abingdon.gov.uk](mailto:enquiries@abingdon.gov.uk).

### 4. **Minutes**

To sign as a correct record the draft minutes of the meetings of the Planning Committee of [23<sup>rd</sup> February 2026](#) and [16<sup>th</sup> March 2026](#).

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 consider a letter from a resident of Thesiger Road, Abingdon.

**Subject: Planning Application P25/V0216/LDP** for the attention of Lilua Iheozor-Ejiofor, Vale of White Horse District Council Planning Department and copied to Abingdon Town Council

I am writing as a resident of Thesiger Road, a road which has two junctions with Abbott Road in central Abingdon.

I am concerned about the development of 39 Abbott Road since seeing an advert for this

property <https://www.spareroom.co.uk/flatshare/oxfordshire/abingdon/18146433> in which it is described as being a 6 bedroom shared home with 'street parking'.

Parking 'on the street' can be a challenge in Abbott and Thesiger Roads since the roads are narrow and inconsiderate parking can restrict access for emergency vehicles as well as residents wishing to drive down these roads to access their properties or leave the estate.

The prospect of 6 additional 'residents' with perhaps 6 additional cars wanting to park at or around the T junction of Abbott and Thesiger Roads raises the prospect of even greater problems arising for the existing residents of Thesiger and Abbott Roads.

Whilst I note that the development of 39 Abbott Road has been declared lawful (28th March), it is not clear to me that the council was aware that the property was being developed with the intended use of multiple occupancy and that the consequences of using the property for 6 individuals with potentially 6 additional cars for parking has not been considered.

Would you please let me know whether or not the council was aware of its intended use for multiple occupancy at the time the council decision was taken?

- b. To note Oxfordshire County Council Traffic Regulation Orders Made (WC: 23/03/2026)
- **Abingdon:** Centre East area – Parking restriction amendments (approved at decisions meetings: [22/01/2026](#) item no. 127/26,
  - **Abingdon:** Town Centre area – Parking restriction amendments (approved at decisions meetings: [22/01/2026](#) item no. 128/26,

Please follow this [link](#) to see the attached public notice for further information, which includes definitive dates.

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

## 9. **Albert Park Conservation Appraisal**

The draft of the Albert Park Conservation Appraisal report will be presented at the meeting on 11<sup>th</sup> May 2026.

## 10. **Neighbourhood Plan**

To comment on the Neighbourhood Plan and receive any updates from 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 Traffic Advisory Committee's next meeting date is 24<sup>th</sup> June 2026.

13. **Planning Policy & Legislation changes**

To note or consider any changes

a. Thames Valley devolution expression of interest moves forward

Description: An updated expression of interest letter has been submitted to government following detailed conversations with ministers about creating a strategic authority in the Thames Valley.

Please follow this [link](#) to see details.

b. Vale of White Horse District Council leaders reflect on the close of the government's LGR consultation for Oxfordshire and West Berkshire and as the government consultation closes the South Oxfordshire and Vale of White Horse District Council leaders have thanked everyone who has submitted their views on the three proposals for this area.

Please follow this [link](#) for the article.

14. **Dates of future meetings**

11 May  
1 June  
22 June  
13 July  
3 August  
24 August  
14 September  
5 October  
26 October  
16 November  
7 December  
11 January  
1 February  
22 February  
15 March  
5 April  
26 April

15. **Exclusion of the public, including the Press**

The Chair may move “that in accordance with section 1 (2) of the Public Bodies (admissions to Meetings) Act 1960, the public, including the press, be excluded from the meeting because of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted as summarised below.” Subject to the approval of the above motion the meeting will then move into confidential session.

16. **Abingdon Developments**

To review a planning and property report from the Chair.