



EAST GRINSTEAD TOWN COUNCIL

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PLANNING COMMITTEE

Minutes of the meeting held at 7pm on Thursday, 21 May 2026

Committee: Cllr L Gibbs (Chair)
Cllr E Godwin (Vice Chair)
Cllr J Mockford
Cllr S Ody
Cllr A Peacock*
Cllr T Scott*
Cllr R Whittaker

Cllr I Gibson

* absent

In Attendance: Deputy Town Clerk

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

One member of the public was present, who spoke in support of application DM/26/0843/OUT.

1. To receive apologies for absence/substitutions

Apologies were received from Cllr. Peacock and were noted.

2. To receive the minutes of the meeting held on 28 April 2026

RESOLVED: The previously circulated minutes of the meeting held on 28 April 2026 were agreed by the Committee and signed by the Chairman.

3. To receive Members' Declarations of Interest

Cllr Whittaker declared membership of MSDC's District Planning Committee and so reserved his right to amend his views in future based on further information from officers, the public or other representations.

Cllr. Mockford declared membership of MSDC Licensing Committee and so reserved her right to amend her views in future based on further information from officers, the public or other representations.

4. **Chairman's Report**

District Plan Update – Inspector has requested that more homes are needed, so MSDC have had to find further sites, which include four in East Grinstead.

- 1-5 Queens Walk and 22-26 London Road – 100 units (ID961)
- Land at Brook House Farm, Turners Hill Road – 45 units (ID1024)
- Land north of Hill Place Farm Buildings, Turners Hill Road – 50 units (ID1060)
- Land east of West Hoathly Road – 20 units (ID1181)

These sites will all be reviewed and it was noted that these site numbers for the town are relatively small edition compared to previous proposals. A consultation process will start in the next few months. All the current documents and information are available to view on the MSDC website.

MSDC are providing regular updates to MSDC Councillors and a briefing for Clerks is being held on the 27 May.

The examiner is currently looking at the sites that have been submitted and will revert to MSDC in due course. There is a possibility for some sites to be removed, as there is now a period of in combination testing now taking place.

The Committee noted that the Council should respond to the consultation, and the response should be considered now, and information collated to assist with this in advance, which could include numbers of housing that East Grinstead has already been allocated.

5. **To note the Planning Action List**

Noted, no actions outstanding.

6. **To consider Mid Sussex District Council's Local Validation list for Validation of Planning Applications (May 2024) Consultation**

The document was noted by the Committee.

7. **Licensing Application**

Application L1/26/0576 was noted.

8. **To make observations as may be considered necessary in respect of the planning applications (Appendix A)**

RESOLVED: That Mid Sussex District Council be informed of the observations of this Committee in relating to the applications set out in the Appendix A to these minutes, as indicated in column 5.

9. **To note any planning and/or appeal decisions received from Mid Sussex District Council attached (Appendix B)**

The decisions were noted by the Committee as detailed in Appendix B.

The meeting closed at 7.36pm.

The next meeting of the Planning Committee will be held on **Thursday, 11 June 2026 at 7pm.**

Signed

Chair

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Planning Application No	Ward	Location	Proposal	EGTC Comments
DM/26/0430/TREE	Herontye & Ashplats South	5 High Trees Ship Street East Grinstead West Sussex	T1 Oak - Removal of large lateral branch which has a significant cavity, plus repollard overhanging growth on the side of 12 The Rise only (approx 10% of tree)	No comment
DM/26/0451/HOU	EG south	Cherry Hay Turners Hill Road East Grinstead West Sussex	Proposed single storey rear extension following replacement of existing conservatory. Single storey front entrance extension with extended roof to cover existing flat roof of bay window. Balustrading to existing first floor side balcony. Proposed detached carport. Arboricultural report received 27.04.2026	EGTC 17/03/2026 No comment.
DM/26/0843/OUT	Imberhorne	Land South Of Floran Farm Hophurst Hill Crawley Down West Sussex	Outline application (means of access and layout only; other matters reserved) for 9 self-build dwellings.	Recommend approval.
DM/26/0859/HOU	EG South	Little Hollybush West Hoathly Road East Grinstead West Sussex	Two storey side extension, loft conversion, roof extension with 3 dormers to rear and alterations to fenestration	No comment
DM/26/0884/FUL	Town South	Pavement Opposite East Grinstead Library 40 West Street East Grinstead	The installation of 1no. BT Street Hub and removal of associated BT payphones.	No comment
DM/26/0885/ADV	Town South	Pavement Opposite East Grinstead Library 40 West Street East Grinstead	The installation of 1no. BT Street Hub and removal of associated BT payphones with 2no. digital 75" LCD display screens, one on each side of the Street Hub unit	No comment
DM/26/0954/FUL	Town South	Wallis House Orchard Way East Grinstead West Sussex	Proposed cladding remediation works to remove combustible cladding elements, render systems and timber panels and replace them with materials and systems of limited combustibility and non-combustible materials.	No comment
DM/26/0980/TREE	Herontye & Ashplats South	Land To The Front Of 22 To 32 High Street East Grinstead West Sussex	Lime x 5 : Re-pollard and remove epicormic growth	The committee supported approval subject to no adverse report from the MSDC tree officer.
DM/26/0996/HOU	Town North	76 Moat Road East Grinstead West Sussex RH19 3LH	Demolition of existing outbuildings. New single storey rear side extension to extend existing kitchen. New stairs to garden. First floor shower room. Chimney removed within loft floor and retained above roof level.	No comment
DM/26/0997/TREE	Herontye & Ashplats South	6 Kingfisher Rise East Grinstead West Sussex RH19 4TE	Scots Pine (T1) - reduce stem all over roof by approx 2m and reduce lowest drooping stem below by approx 1m. Sycamore (T2) - reduce to old pollard points	The committee supported approval subject to no adverse report from the MSDC tree officer.
DM/26/1009/HOU	Ashplats North	2 Estcots Drive East Grinstead West Sussex RH19 3DA	Garage conversion, ground floor front, side and rear extension.	No comment
DM/26/1015/HOU	Town South	17 Church Lane East Grinstead West Sussex RH19 3AZ	Demolition of Conservatory and erection of rear/side extension plus internal modifications to garage and passageway to form new room.	No comment
DM/26/1042/LDC	Imberhorne	19 North End London Road East Grinstead West Sussex	Installation of a mobile home cabin	No comment
DM/26/1087/TREE	Imberhorne	15 Sackville Close East Grinstead West Sussex RH19 2SG	Beech Tree - Fell.	The committee supported approval subject to no adverse report from the MSDC tree officer.
DM/26/1118/HOU	Town South	9 Nightingale Close East Grinstead West Sussex RH19 4DG	Proposed 2 storey extension to rear and proposed porch to front elevation.	No comment

Planning Application No	Ward	Location	Proposal	EGTC Comments	MSDC Decision
DM/25/3137/HOU	EG South	Ty Gwilym Worsted Lane East Grinstead West Sussex	Proposed garage conversion, porch to front elevation, internal changes and new oak framed garage.	No comment	Approved 23/04/2026
DM/26/0010/HOU	Town South	The Nest 8 Ridgeway East Grinstead West Sussex	Proposed attached garage.	No comment	Approved 30.04.2026
DM/26/0533/HOU	Imberhorne	6 Meadowcroft Close East Grinstead West Sussex RH19 1NA	Proposed first floor side extension	No comment.	Approved 27/04/2026
DM/26/0565/HOU	Imberhorne	25 Sackville Lane East Grinstead West Sussex RH19 2AX	Proposed flat roof to pitched roof	No comment	Approved 05.05.2026
DM/26/0630/HOU	Baldwins	50 Buckhurst Way East Grinstead West Sussex RH19 2AJ	Proposed minor extension at the front door and alterations to the roof to provide internal floor space for a WC room at first floor	No comment	Approved 05/05/2026
DM/26/0653/HOU	Baldwins	5 Baldwins Field East Grinstead West Sussex RH19 2HE	Proposed single storey rear extension.	No comment	Approved 07/05/2026
DM/26/0683/TREE	Herontye & Ashplats South	2 Glendyne Close East Grinstead West Sussex RH19 4NP	Pine - Remove seven lowest secondary branches back to trunk.	No comment	Approved 22/04/2026
DM/26/0710/HOU	Herontye & Ashplats South	3 Harvest Hill East Grinstead West Sussex RH19 4BU	Demolition of garage. Construction of side and rear extension. Extension of roof to create additional first floor bedrooms. Layout and elevational alterations	No comment	Approved 12/05/2026