



MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF
FOWLMEERE PARISH COUNCIL PLANNING COMMITTEE
held in the Pavilion Room, Fowlmere Recreation Ground & Village Hall on
TUESDAY 2nd June 2026 at 19:30

PRESENT: Cllr Brock (in the Chair), Cllr Baker-Oxley, Cllr Collinson, Cllr Fulton, Cllr Hobro,
Cllr Mulholland (19:47)

IN ATTENDANCE: The Clerk and 0 members of the public.

BUSINESS TO BE TRANSACTED

In accordance with LGA 1972 schedule 12 10(2) (b) which states that business must be specified.

26/P39 To elect a Chair of the FPC Planning Committee for the civic year 2026-2027

Cllr Collinson nominated Cllr Brock **Seconded by:** Cllr Baker- Oxley
Cllr Brock was elected unopposed as chair of the planning committee

26/P40 To elect a Vice-Chair of the FPC Planning Committee for the civic year 2026-2027

Cllr Baker Oxley nominated Cllr Collinson **Seconded by:** Cllr Fulton
Cllr Collinson was elected unopposed as vice-chair of the planning committee

26/P41 Apologies for absence (LGA 1972 s 85(1))

Cllr Mulholland, (Work Commitments stuck on M25, may still arrive)
It was proposed to accept the apologies

Proposed by: Cllr Collinson **Seconded by:** Cllr Baker-Oxley **motion passed**

26/P42 Declarations of interest & requests for dispensations in agenda items (Localism Act 2011 s 31 s33)

There were none

26/P43 Minutes of Previous Meeting ([click here](#)) (in accordance with standing order 12a)

Proposal: That Fowlmere Parish Council Planning Committee agree the minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 5th May 2026

Proposed by: Cllr Baker-Oxley **Seconded by:** Cllr Fulton **motion passed**
The minutes were signed by Cllr Brock (Chair)

26/P44 Chairman's Item (Information Only)

There was no information.

26/P45 Review of Committee Terms of Reference (current) (proposed)

Due to members at the full council recusing themselves from being members of the planning committee, changes have been made to the TOR's to reflect the Planning committee no longer being all members of the council.

Proposal: To agree the reviewed Terms of Reference and recommend them to Full Council for adoption.

Proposed by: Cllr Brock **Seconded by:** Cllr Collinson **motion passed**

26/P46 Public Participation Session (up to 15 minutes).

Open Forum to provide an opportunity for members of the public to raise questions and to comment on any items that are on the current agenda.

There were no members of the public present.

26/P47 Updates on compliance/enforcement cases

The next two items were taken in reverse order.

a) 25/01420/FUL - Land To The North Of Shepreth Road, Fowlmere, Cambridgeshire (refused permission)

Change of use to Use Class C3 with ancillary equine use to include the erection of two stables and two residential Gypsy / Traveller pitches each containing two static caravans and up to three touring caravans on each pitch, refurbishment and extension of existing hardstanding and ancillary works.

Enforcement has not yet commenced.

SCDC has refused the application for planning permission.

Refusal was carried out by the officers, and did not go to SCDC planning committee:

Planning balance section was read out from the report including:

Summary of harm: *proposed and existing access is not safe and would prejudice safe operation of the Highway in the absence of sufficient reliable data to suggest otherwise. This put occupants of the site and road users at risk of accidents and is not an example of good design in accordance with local and national policies.*

Summary of benefits: *Provision of two gypsy/traveller pitches would contribute towards meeting identified supply requirements... having taken into account the provision of a development plan, the national planning policy framework and the national planning policy guidance and the view of statutory consultees and wider stakeholders and also taken into account all other material planning considerations, the proposed development is recommended for refusal.*

The grounds for refusal and summary of harm is solely on the highways access being inadequate and/or inappropriate, not taking into consideration of other consultees such as archaeology. Cllr Brock has confirmed this with planning officers.

Hopeful that enforcement will go ahead, and the same process will apply, enforcement notice will be served and will come into force 28 days later. If an appeal is made, will go to the planning inspectorate. Complications with this is due to SCDC refusing the planning application, the applicants can appeal the refusal for within 6 months.

If the applicant puts an appeal in against the enforcement notice, this may be put on hold, until the time for appeal on refusal has passed, as the Planning Inspectorate would normally would look at the two appeals together if submitted.

b) 25/01749/FUL - Land North Of Water Treatment Works, Chrishall Road, Fowlmere, Cambridgeshire (enforcement notice issued)

Retrospective change of use of land to a residential caravan site to provide accommodation for two Gypsy / Traveller families through stationing of 2 static caravans and two touring caravans on the land and ancillary works.

Enforcement notice served in March 26, took effect on 2nd April 26, with no appeal being made.

Terms of that notice state that the following has to happen by 2nd July:

1. Cease the use for land for residential use.
 2. Remove all the caravans and mobile homes
 3. Remove all the domestic items and paraphernalia
- Five additional items that need to be carried out by 2nd October.

1. Remove all the fences which have been erected in connection with the unauthorised use
2. Remove the Stables from the land
3. Remove all the hard standing, surfaces and roadways
4. Restore the land to its former conditions
5. Remove all the waste and materials resulting from the above.

If they do not comply with the above they are in breach of the notice and it is a criminal offence.

Exactly the same position as the last Planning meeting.

Cllr Hobro (DC) spoke to compliance officer regarding the breaches of planning and the enforcement process.

Question was asked to the officer: when these dates role past, and nothing has been carried out to comply with notice above. It is SCDC's plan to prosecute, but SCDC have several rolling enforcement cases being carried out and need to be able to follow through with these and therefore a need to manage expectation.

Cllr Mulholland arrived at (19:47)

Discussion was had regarding enforcement notices and the standardised dates set and the reasonable times for compliance.

There will be disappointment if enforcement does not go ahead.

Meeting was closed at 8.05pm.