

HELMDON PARISH COUNCIL PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING

Minutes of the meeting of the **Planning Committee** of Helmdon Parish Council held in the Committee Room at the Reading Room, Church Street, Helmdon at

6pm on Friday 9th January 2026

Present: Cllrs Hart, Minshall, and Plunkett.

In attendance: None.

It was agreed that Cllr Hart would Chair the meeting in Cllr Marchant's absence.

1. **Apologies for absence** – Apologies were received from Cllr Shepherd (holiday), and Cllr Marchant. The apologies from Cllr Shepherd were accepted.
2. **Declarations of Interest** – Cllr Hart declared an interest in items 6.1 and 6.2.
3. **To note any dispensations provided to councillors in relation to items on this agenda** – Cllr Hart confirmed that she has received a dispensation to discuss items 6.1 and 6.2 on the basis that if she did not, the committee would be inquorate and would not be able to make any response.
4. **To approve and sign the minutes of the meeting held on 23rd December 2025** - It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes be approved and duly signed.
5. **Open Forum (15 minutes maximum)** – None.
6. **To consider the following planning applications:**

- 6.1. **App No.** 2025/4928/FULL
Proposal Subdivision of 1no. dwelling and associated annexe into 2no. separate dwellings. Install 1no. airsource heat pump to 1 dwelling to replace existing oil boiler and tank system. Associated hard and soft landscaping and boundary treatments.
Location The Old Cross, 15 Cross Lane, Helmdon, NN13 5QL
Documents <https://wnc.planning-register.co.uk/Planning/Display/2025/4928/FULL>

It was **RESOLVED** to submit a **Support** response to the application on the basis that the change to use of renewable energy is a positive one, and two smaller properties will be more advantageous to Helmdon than one large property. It is also noted that there will be additional parking provision.

- 6.2. **App No.** 2025/5054/LBC
Proposal Subdivision of 1no. dwelling and associated annexe into 2no. separate dwellings. Install 1no. airsource heat pump to 1 dwelling to replace existing oil boiler and tank system. Associated hard and soft landscaping and boundary treatments.
Location The Old Cross, 15 Cross Lane, Helmdon, NN13 5QL
Documents <https://wnc.planning-register.co.uk/Planning/Display/2025/5054/LBC>

It was **RESOLVED** to submit a **Support** response to the application on the basis that the change to use of renewable energy is a positive one, and two smaller properties

will be more advantageous to Helmdon than one large property. It is also noted that there will be additional parking provision.

- 6.3. **App No.** 2025/5312/FULL
Proposal Single storey rear extension
Location 61 Church Street, Helmdon, NN13 5QJ
Documents <https://wnc.planning-register.co.uk/Planning/Display/2025/5312/FULL>

It was **RESOLVED** to submit a **No objection** response to the application.

7. **Update on previously considered planning applications** – The Committee noted that the Church Street Application for a small extension (2025/2638/FULL) had been approved but the planning officer had requested amendments to the originally submitted plans. These were to be more in keeping with preserving the linear form of the barn.

Meeting closed @ 6:15pm

Signed..... Date.....