



WALMER TOWN COUNCIL

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Minutes of the meeting of Walmer Town Council Planning Committee held on Tuesday 12th August 2025 at 7.00pm at Elizabeth House, St Mary's Road, Walmer.

Present: Councillors: Cllr J Murray (Chair)
Cllr R Blackwell
Cllr T Grist
Cllr T Bond
Cllr M Simpson

Officers present: John Miles (Administration Officer)

184. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr Waite-Gleave and Cllr Lee offered apologies that were accepted.

185. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None Submitted

186. OPENNESS AND TRANSPARENCY

All those present were reminded of the Rights and Obligations under the Local Government Audit and Accountability Act 2014.

187. A SHORT GUIDE TO PLANNING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS AND CONDITIONS

Resolved- Noted

188. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Resolved – That the minutes be accepted as a true and accurate record.

Proposed: Cllr M Simpson

Seconded: Cllr T Bond

For: 5 Against:0 Abstain: 0

189. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES NOT COVERED ELSEWHERE

None Received

190. PLANNING DECISIONS

Reference	Site	DDC	WTC	Description
25/00632	44 The Strand Walmer Deal Kent CT14 7DX	Refuse Planning Permission	No Objection	Replacement windows

25/00631	44 The Strand Walmer Deal Kent CT14 7DX	Grant Planning Permission	No Objection	Installation of juliette balcony to side elevation, erection of posts and iron railings with associated works to steps and re-positioning of basement steps. Installation of rear sliding electric gate
25/00579	20 Court Road Walmer Deal CT14 7RG	Grant Planning Permission	No Objection	Erection of a first floor rear extension
25/00573	152 Downs Road Walmer Deal CT14 7TF	Grant Planning Permission	No Objection	Erection of a single storey rear extension and insertion of ground floor side window
25/00535	20 Granville Road Walmer CT14 7LS	Grant Planning Permission	No Objection: Walmer Town Council has no objections to the application however Walmer Town Council does wish to request that the conditions imposed by DDC's Planning Committee when granting planning permission for application DOV/23/01324 regarding concerns of overlooking/loss of privacy be retained.	Variation of condition 2 (approved plans) of planning permission 23/01324 (Erection of a dwelling with associated parking) to allow clay roof tiles, removal of render/cladding to red brick to elevations, alterations to fenestration and external staircase, installation of solar panels, rear ground floor infill extension and roof changed to parapet
25/00400	Crows Nest 98 Wellington Parade Walmer CT14 8AD	Grant Planning Permission	No Objection	Erection of side catslide extension with new entrance, side roof dormer, and raised rear deck and stair from upper to lower ground/garden level. Replacement windows.
25/00131	Walmer Lawn Tennis And Croquet Club Archery Square Walmer CT14 7HP	Refuse Consent	Objection: Walmer Town Council objects to this application on the following grounds. I. The tennis club's own arboriculturist report indicates that the two trees indicated are healthy and with many years of life left in them. II. The applicant has provided no evidence to prove that the trees are damaging surrounding grass areas caused by nutrients and water being 'stolen' by the trees' roots. III. The report also indicates that uprooting the trees would be a drastic change, there and is no cause to fell these trees IV. The loss of the tree will affect the amenity value of the area. V. Residents value the trees use as a noise barrier VI. Residents value the trees use as pollution protection from nearby roads.	Fell and remove stump of one Copper Beech (T37) and one small leafed Lime (T46) both the subject of Tree Preservation Order No. 28 of 2023.

			VII. The trees also help to protect members of the public. VIII. DDC recently decided to put a Tree Preservation Order on all the trees in this area, a decision which should not be overturned by an application which provides no evidence of the alleged problems in support of removing two trees which the applicants' own commissioned arboricultural report says are healthy and in good condition.	
25/00624	27 Granville Road Walmer Deal Kent CT14 7LQ	Refuse Consent	Objection. Walmer Town Council objects to this application on the following grounds. i. Insufficient reasons to overrule the TPO.	Crown reduce by 4 metres overall (30%) of a group of 3 Sycamores (G1) crown reduce by 4 metres overall leaving lower growth intact of one Sycamore (T1), all the subject of Tree Preservation Order No 1 of 1959.
25/00656	3 Greenacre Drive Walmer Deal CT14 7UQ	Split Decision	Objection. Walmer Town Council objects to this application on the following grounds. i. No arboricultural report/evidence has been provided to confirm that a tree is dead despite a specific request on the application form from DDC for such evidence. ii. There appears to be no proposal to replace the felled trees.	T1 - Monterey Cypress - fell; T2 - Monterey Cypress - fell, both the subject of Tree Preservation Order No. 1 of 1965.
25/00605	Beach Plot 79 The Strand Walmer Kent CT14 7DY	Grant Planning Permission	Objection. Walmer Town Council objects to this application on the following grounds. i. The use of the building for commercial reasons will not be in keeping with the designated use of the beach area as a recreational facility for members of the public. ii. The application has not been submitted as a retrospective request even though the business appears to already be up and running. iii. A further concern raised at this meeting is that should the door next to the cycle path be modified or used for access or egress its proximity to the adjacent cycle path could become a danger to passing cyclists or pedestrians crossing the path to access the building.	Change of use from fishing storage to gallery and insertion of a door to the north elevation (sui generis use) (retrospective).

191. PLANNING APPLICATIONS – NEW

I. **DOV/25/00763 - 6 Greenacre Drive, Walmer, Deal, CT14 7UQ**

Crown reduce by 2-3 metres back to previous points but maintaining growth where possible of one Horse Chestnut (T1), re-pollard one Holm Oak (T2) crown reduction of 2 to 3 metres in height and spread of one Sycamore (T3), all the subject of Tree Preservation Order No. 1 of 1965.

Resolved – No Objection. Walmer Town Council has no objections to this application. However Walmer Town Council does wish for the following be taken into account.

1. That the tree works take place outside of birdnesting season.
2. That the last pollarding/tree works to these trees were a minimum of 3 years ago.

Proposed: Cllr M Simpson

Seconded: Cllr R Blackwell

For: 5 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

II. **DOV/25/00800 - Castle Cottage, 30 Wellington Parade, Walmer, Deal, Kent**

Variation of condition 2 (approved plans) of planning permission 24/01206 (Erection of single storey rear extension with erection of a link and roof extension to existing outbuilding and existing roof, along with associated external alterations.) To allow changes to external wall, pitched roof, insertion of rooflights and removal of window

Resolved – No Objection.

Proposed: Cllr T Grist

Seconded: Cllr R Blackwell

For: 5 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

III. **DOV/25/00865 - 24 Warwick Road, Walmer, Deal, Kent**

Erection of single storey rear extension, insertion of dormer window to side elevation to facilitate loft conversion and alterations to front bay windows (Existing conservatory and side entrance porch to be demolished)

Resolved – Objection. Walmer Town Council objects to this application for the following reason.

1. The design is not in keeping with the area.

Proposed: Cllr R Blackwell

Seconded: Cllr T Bond

For: 5 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

IV. **DOV/25/00858 - 49 The Strand, Walmer, Deal, Kent**

Replacement glass balustrade

Resolved – No Objection.

Proposed: Cllr T Grist

Seconded: Cllr M Simpson

For: 5 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

V. **DOV/25/00876 - Land Next To Whiteville Lawn Road, Walmer, Deal, Kent**

Variation of condition 2 (approved drawings) of planning permission 21/01606 for (Erection of 2no. detached dwellings (existing outbuildings to be demolished) to allow changes of the roof material from tiles to standing seam

Resolved – Objection. Walmer Town Council objects to this application for the following reasons.

1. The design is not in keeping with the area.
2. Overlooking of neighbouring premises.

Proposed: Cllr T Bond

Seconded: Cllr T Grist

For: 5 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

192. LOCAL PLANNING PROCESS

To review Dover District Council's Statement of Community Involvement and make any comments in regard to its implementation.

Resolved – Walmer Town Council Planning Committee has reviewed the Statement of Community Involvement and has no comment to make.

Proposed: Cllr T Bond

Seconded: Cllr M Simpson

For: 5 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

193. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 9th September 2025 at 7pm

The meeting closed at 19.40

Signed Dated