



WALMER TOWN COUNCIL

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Draft Minutes of the meeting of Walmer Town Council Planning Committee held on Tuesday 10th February 2026 at 7.00pm at Elizabeth House, St Mary's Road, Walmer.

Present: Councillors: Cllr J Murray (Chair)
Cllr R Blackwell
Cllr M Simpson
Cllr S Waite Gleave

Officers present: John Miles (Administration Officer)

470. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr Lee, Cllr Grist. Cllr Bond and offered apologies that were accepted.

471. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr S Waite Gleave declared a VAOI regarding 8:IV- Land on the north side of Liverpool Road, Walmer. This is due to having recently lived in an area of Kingsdown that may be affected as well as in Upper Walmer which may also be affected.

472. OPENNESS AND TRANSPARENCY

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

473. A SHORT GUIDE TO PLANNING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS AND CONDITIONS

Resolved- Noted

474. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

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

Proposed: Cllr M Simpson

Seconded: Cllr R Blackwell

For: 4 Against:0 Abstain: 0

475. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES NOT COVERED ELSEWHERE

None Received

476. PLANNING DECISIONS

Reference	Site	DDC	WTC	Description	Appraisal
25/01311	Pump House, Liverpool Road, Walmer, Kent	Withdrawn	Resolved – Objection Walmer Town Council Objects on the following grounds 2. There is no valid reason for the works as laid out.	Crown lift to 4 metres above ground level of one Pine (T1) the subject of Tree Preservation Order No 1 of 1959.	
25/01291	25 Herschell Square Deal CT14 7SU	Grant Planning Permission	Walmer Town Council supports this application	Erection of a single storey side/rear extension	
25/01234	Formal Gardens And Ruins Lord Warden Avenue Walmer	Grant Consent	Walmer Town Council Objects to this application on the following grounds. i. There is insufficient information given regarding this application. ii. The tree in question is not clearly identified on the location drawing attached to the application.	Re-pollard back to previous pruning points one London Plane the subject of Tree Preservation Order No 1 of 1959.	<p>Collectively the trees within the site are considered to possess high public visual amenity value and provide an important landscape feature in this location.</p> <p>The London Plane is located close to the front/side elevation of Palmerston Court. Records show that it has been managed on a cyclical basis as such its reduction back to previous pollard points is considered acceptable to prevent it from posing a nuisance.</p> <p>With regard to the objections raised by the Town Council, it is not known what further information the applicant could provide in respect of the tree, a visit to the site would clearly show the location of the tree, the extent of its spread and the issues this poses.</p> <p>The proposed works are considered reasonable and</p>

					acceptable and in the interests of good arboricultural practice in order to continue with the cyclical management. It is not considered that the proposed works will impact on the long-term health or form of the tree nor be harmful to the character and appearance of the area.
25/01233	The Lodge Hawkshill Camp Road Walmer CT14 7PT	Refuse Consent	Walmer Town Council Objects to this application on the following grounds. i. There is insufficient information given regarding this application ii. No Arboriculturalist report has been made iii. No reason as to why these measures are needed	Remove the two lowest limbs back to the main stem of one Pine (T1); prune back overhanging limbs to the boundary fence of one Beech (T2), both the subject of Tree Preservation Order No 29 of 2023.	
25/01235	Osborne House Hawksdown Walmer Deal CT14 7PH	Refuse Consent	Walmer Town Council Objects to this application on the following grounds. i. The requested pruning may damage the health of the tree ii. The tree has an amenity value for the location, including shade and wind protection	Crown thin by up to 20%, crown lift to 5.2 metres and crown reduce by a maximum of 4 metres of one Beech (T1) the subject of Tree Preservation Order No 4 of 1976.	

			iii. There is no evidence to support the proposed work		
25/01203	3 James Hall Gardens Walmer Deal Kent CT14 7SZ	Grant Planning Permission	No Objection	Erection of a front, side and rear single storey extension. Widening of existing driveway (Existing garage and rear extension to be removed)	
25/01303	Flat 9 Leelands House Grams Road Walmer CT14 7NU	Grant Consent	Walmer Town Council Objects on the following grounds 1. There is no valid reason for the works as laid out in the application.	Crown lift to 3 metres and crown reduce by 3 metres overall of 2 Silver Birch (G1) the subject of Tree Preservation Order No 1 of 1965.	No Report online
25/01313	Fairlight 68 Wellington Parade Walmer Deal Kent CT14 8AB	Grant Planning Permission	No Objection	Erection of 2 single-storey rear extensions, rear terrace, new window openings, and boundary parapet wall. Construction of courtyard steps, detached single-storey car port with office.	
25/01344	Castle Cottage 30 Wellington Parade Walmer CT14 8AB	Grant Planning Permission	No Objection	Erection of single storey rear and side extensions, erection of a link extension to existing outbuilding and associated external alterations	
25/01366	67 Kingsdown Road Walmer CT14 8BL	Grant Planning Permission		Erection of an attached car port	

25/01364	Woodhelven St Clare Road Walmer CT14 7QB	Grant Planning Permission	Erection of a garden outbuilding and raised terrace with retaining structure (part- retrospective)
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477. PLANNING APPLICATIONS – NEW

Motion to bring application 8:IV to the beginning of the planning application.

Resolved – Application brought forward

Proposed: Cllr S Waite Gleave

Seconded: Cllr M Simpson

For: 4 Against:0 Abstain: 0

i. **DOV/25/01252- Land On The North West Side Of Liverpool Road Walmer CT14 7PN**

Outline application for development up to 75 dwellings, associated landscaping and infrastructure (all matters reserved except access).

Resolved – Walmer Town Council strongly objects to this application on the following grounds.

1. The original comments from Walmer Town Council from 11th December 2025.
2. A new list of objections is to be uploaded to the planning portal.

Proposed: Cllr M Simpson

Seconded: Cllr R Blackwell

For: 4 Against:0 Abstain: 0

ii. **DOV/25/01381- 4 Apple Tree Gardens, Walmer, CT14 7US**

Erection of gazebo, greenhouse and shed with associated hardstanding.

Resolved – No Objection

Proposed: Cllr S Waite Gleave

Seconded: Cllr R Blackwell

For: 4 Against:0 Abstain: 0

iii. **DOV/25/01364- Woodhelven, St Clare Road, Walmer, CT14 7QB**

Erection of a garden outbuilding and raised terrace with retaining structure (part-retrospective).

Resolved – Walmer Town Council Objects to this application on the following grounds.

1. The raised terrace may cause overlooking to neighbouring properties.

Proposed: Cllr M Simpson

Seconded: Cllr S Waite Gleave

For: 4 Against:0 Abstain: 0

iv. **DOV/25/01366- 67 Kingsdown Road, Walmer, CT14 8BL**

Erection of an attached car port.

Resolved – No Objection

Proposed: Cllr R Blackwell

Seconded: Cllr S Waite Gleave

For: 4 Against:0 Abstain: 0

v. **DOV/25/01404- 12 Salisbury Road, Walmer, CT14 7QQ**

Erection of a rear dormer window with Juliette balcony to facilitate a loft conversion.

Resolved – No Objection

Proposed: Cllr R Blackwell

Seconded: Cllr M Simpson

For: 4 Against:0 Abstain: 0

vi. **DOV/25/01349- Land On The West Side Of, Cross Road, Deal, CT14 9LA**

Reserved matters for application for the details of appearance, landscaping, layout and scale, including affordable housing, public open space and landscaping for the erection of 140 dwellings pursuant to Outline Planning Permission 21/01822.

Resolved – Walmer Town Council strongly objects to this application on the following grounds.

1. The layout of the development
2. The scale of the development.

Proposed: Cllr S Waite Gleave

Seconded: Cllr M Simpson

For: 4 Against:0 Abstain: 0

vii. **DOV/25/01371- 12 - 17 Block At Finch Mews Walmer Kent**

Crown reduce back to previous reduction points (by approximately 3 metres) of one Cherry (T1) the subject of Tree Preservation Order No 5 of 1988.

Resolved –Walmer Town Council has No Objection to this application, however it is once again disappointed that there is no Arboriculturist report attached.

Proposed: Cllr R Blackwell

Seconded: Cllr M Simpson

For: 4 Against:0 Abstain: 0

viii. **DOV/26/00021- Pavilion, Walmer Lawn Tennis And Croquet Club, Archery Square, Walmer**

Variation of condition 11 (external lighting) of planning permission 23/01377 for "Erection of single storey clubhouse with canopy linking to existing changing rooms (existing clubhouse to be replaced) and alterations to materials of existing changing rooms roof" to allow external lighting directed downwards.

Resolved – Walmer Town Council Objects to this application on the following grounds.

1. There is no report regarding the quality and brightness of the lighting.
2. There is no information regarding the effect on local residents.

Proposed: Cllr M Simpson

Seconded: Cllr R Blackwell

For: 4 Against:0 Abstain: 0

ix. **DOV/26/00055- 80 Liverpool Road, Walmer, Deal, Kent**

Reduce the south-west facing lateral canopies (only) by no more than 2 metres of two groups of Pines (G1 and G2) the subject of Tree Preservation Order No 9 of 2025.

Resolved – Walmer Town Council Strongly Objects to this application on the following grounds.

1. The trees have received a TPO within the last twelve months, indicating it is too early for works to be carried out.
2. There is no evidence as to why these works need to be done.
3. There is no valid reason for these works to take place.

Proposed: Cllr S Waite Gleave

Seconded: Cllr M Simpson

For: 4 Against:0 Abstain: 0

x. **DOV/26/00079- Osborne House, Hawksdown, Walmer, CT14 7PH**

Crown thin by up to 20% by removing crossing limbs, poorly formed limbs and secondary minor limbs; crown lift to 5.2 metres above ground level, and crown reduce by a maximum of 2 metres of one Beech (T1) the subject of Tree Preservation Order No 4 of 1976.

Resolved – Walmer Town Council Objects to this application on the following grounds.

1. The proposal to crown lift the tree to 5.2m is unreasonable and unnecessary.

Proposed: Cllr M Simpson

Seconded: Cllr S Waite-Gleave
For: 4 Against:0 Abstain: 0

xi. **DOV/26/00077- Fairlight, 68 Wellington Parade, Walmer, Deal**

Erection of detached single storey dwelling and garage (self build).

Resolved – Walmer Town Council Objects to this application on the following grounds.

1. That the construction is out of keeping with the surrounding area.

Proposed: Cllr R Blackwell

Seconded: Cllr S Waite Gleave

For: 2 Against:0 Abstain: 2

xii. **DOV/26/00113- Grangewood, 103 Kingsdown Road, Walmer, Deal**

Erection of two storey side extension, single storey front extension with first floor balcony and rear balcony (Existing single storey side and front extension and porch to be demolished).

Resolved – No Objection

Proposed: Cllr R Blackwell

Seconded: M Simpson

For: 4 Against:0 Abstain: 0

xiii. **DOV/26/00085- 46 Cornwall Road, Walmer, CT14 7SA**

Change of use of residential lounge room to hair salon.

Resolved – Walmer Town Council Objects to this application on the following grounds.

1. That there is inaccurate information regarding the application as it has not been indicated as retrospective.

2. Application says that no building work has been started, but the salon has already been opened and any works may have already been completed.

Proposed: Cllr M Simpson

Seconded: Cllr S Waite Gleave

For: 4 Against:0 Abstain: 0

478. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 10th March 2026 at 7pm.

The meeting closed at 20:30

Signed Dated