



Broomfield Parish Council

Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on **Monday 5th October 2026 at 5.30 pm** at Broomfield Village Hall

Members in attendance G Garfield A Thomson M Bleet

Members not in attendance G Scott A Odelana D Grewal

Others in attendance No-one else was in attendance

PLN26/094 **To receive and approve apologies for absence**

No apologies had been received.

26/095 **To receive Councillors declarations of interests and dispensation requests**

None were presented

PLN26/096 **To approve the minutes of the Council Meeting held on 2nd September 2026**

The minutes were approved and signed by Cllr Garfield as a true record.

Proposed: Cllr Garfield

Seconded: Cllr Thomson

All agreed (Cllr Bleet was not present at the previous meeting)

PLN26/097 **Public Participation session**

No members of the public were in attendance

PLN26/098 **Planning Applications received for consultation:**

a. 26/01162/FUL Land north of the Old Coal Yard, Lt Waltham Road – retrospective application for the retention of a storage container associated with maintenance of the land

DECISION: No objection

b. 26/01243/FUL Butlers Farm Main Road

Change of use from single residential dwelling (Use Class C3) to a mixed use comprising a single residential dwelling (Use Class C3) and pre-school nursery (Use Class E(f))

DECISION: Broomfield Parish Council **objects** to this application because of concerns about the potential increase in vehicle movements on a busy stretch of road which has witnessed two fatalities in recent years.

There are also concerns over limited on-site parking and vehicle maneuverability if usage of the pre-school nursery rises to 22 children. It is understood that some staff are already parking at Broomfield Village Hall, occupying spaces required by village hall users and Parish Council staff. Is this the “existing car park in Broomfield” mentioned in the application documents?

Staffing levels appear very low for the number of proposed children.

There are also concerns that the green wedge will be adversely impacted and the part demolition of the single storey building will affect the character of the existing historic courtyard.

PLN26/099 **To report decisions on planning applications submitted under delegated authority**

No applications had been received

- PLN26/100 **To receive decisions made by Chelmsford City Council re previous applications consulted upon - Noted**
- PLN26/101 **Update of a new planning decision group being formed by CALC - Cllr Bleet**
This will be reported on after the next CALC meeting to be held on 13th October 2026.
- PLN26/102 **Correspondence received – none had been received**
- PLN26/103 **To note update from Chelmsford City Council Planning Enforcement Team**
An update will be forwarded when it has been received.
- PLN26/104 **Items for inclusion for the next meeting**
Report from Cllr Bleet re CALC meeting 13/10/26
- PLN26/105 **Chair to close the meeting**
The Chair closed the meeting at 6.25 pm
The next Planning Committee Meeting is to be held on Wednesday 4th November 2026 at 5.30pm