

ALDERHOLT PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of a Meeting of Alderholt Parish Council Planning Committee held in the Committee Room at Alderholt Village Hall at 7pm on Monday 11th August 2025.

Present: Cllr G Logan (Chairman), Cllr A Butler, Cllr S Butler and Cllr A Hibberd **In Attendance:** Kerry Brooker (Asst Parish Clerk) and 1 member of public

51/25 Welcome from the Chairman and housekeeping notices:

Cllr Logan welcomed everyone to the meeting and explained the emergency procedures.

52/25 To receive and accept apologies for absence:

Apologies were received from Cllr S Emberson.

53/25 To receive declarations of interest and/or consider the granting of dispensations:

No declarations of interest were received and no dispensations granted.

54/25 To confirm the minutes of the Planning Meeting held on 21st July 2025 are a correct record of that meeting:

Members **RESOLVED** to approve the minutes as a correct record of that meeting and they were signed by the Chairman.

55/25 Chairman's Announcements:

There were no Chairman's announcements.

56/25 Public Forum:

There were no representations by members of the public.

57/25 To consider new planning applications received from Dorset Council for comment by this committee (details below).

APPLICATION	LOCATION AND APPLICATION	MEMBERS DECISION
NUMBER	DETAILS	
TPO/2025/0060	Location: The Red House, Daggons Road, Alderholt, SP6 3DL	Members RESOLVED to support this tree preservation order.
	T1 – Oak T2 – Oak T3 – Oak T4 – Oak T5 – Oak T6 – Pine	3 for and Cllr S Butler against
	This is to inform you that a provisional Tree Preservation Order (TPO) has been made at The Red House, Daggons Road, Alderholt, SP6 3DL on 28 July 2025. The Tree Preservation Order has been made as a result of a planning enquiry being made with the Local Authority. It has not been made to prohibit development but to ensure the	



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trees are fully considered as part of any current or future development proposal. The trees are considered to enhance the amenity of the area and make a contribution to the surrounding landscape.

As mentioned, the order is currently provisional and the Council will have six months, from the date on the order, in which to decide whether the order is to be confirmed or not. All representations or valid objections regarding the order received within the 28 day notice period will be considered prior to any decision being made.

58/25 To consider a September date to hold an information session for residents on the emerging Dorset Local Plan.

Members resolved that 15th September would be the most appropriate date to hold a Local Plan information session alongside the already scheduled Planning meeting to commence at 630pm.

59/25 To ratify the drafted response to the Sandleheath Neighbourhood Plan consultation.

Members resolved to send the response drafted by Gllr Logan as per Appx A.

60/25 To consider a Motion for Councils: Future of Neighbourhood Planning Support Services following the withdrawal of government funding support for neighbourhood plans.

Members resolved to recommend to the September Full Council meeting that having carefully considered the DAPTC recommendation and having completed our own Neighbourhood Plan that they believe it is appropriate to take action to support the DAPTC motion.

61/25 To note the submitted response to the Ministry of Housing, Communities & Local Government consultation regarding proposals around the delegation of planning functions, the size and composition of planning committees and mandatory training for members of planning committees.

Noted

With no further business the chair closed the meeting at 7.25pm.

Chairmans signature: Date Ratified:



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Appendix A

Alderholt Parish Council

Response to Sandleheath Neighbourhood Plan 2024 – 2044 Pre-submission version June 2025 – Regulation 14 Consultation

Alderholt Parish Council (APC) fully supports Sandleheath Parish Council (SPC) in producing their Sandleheath Neighbourhood Plan (SNP).

Having read the pdf document (main vision, objectives and policies) and viewed it in conjunction with the various supporting documents available through website links, we wish to make the following comments and observations: -

- We support the 6 objectives including the need to maintain the separation and gap from Fordingbridge so as to retain the village's character and identity SAN2. This determines the development in site SAN5(1) which is partly outside the settlement policy boundary but within adjacent Ashwell thus bridging the gap that requires protection.
- With reference to SAN3 the Design Codes and Appendix A accessible via "Documents" on the website the merits and locations of the evidence wasn't clearly understandable.
- SAN4 Although the housing number to be provided appears high (108) in relation to the Sandleheath population of just over 600 according to the 2021 census, we fully appreciate that the two favoured sites selected would probably achieve planning permission whether they were in or out of your SNP, so better to be in and have some control.
- SAN5 Strong policies with regard to site development, but difficult to reference the two sites with the draft document as they aren't clearly identified on the Sandleheath Policies Map (SPM) contained within the document on page 26. In light of this believe the SPM could include more detail eg F2 area of land within parcel B which itself is part of the site "north of main road".
 - Support in full the need to provide affordable housing by way of social or affordable rent or shared ownership as none is currently available within the village.
- With reference to SAN6, and SAN11 the details listed ie the 4 established employment sites, and the local heritage assets (are these the Landmarks in the Design Codes?) all need to be detailed on the Sandleheath Policies Map in the draft document to facilitate using the document with the information on the supporting website pages ie Appendix C.
- SAN7 how does the text within the policy relate to the SPM and the additional information given in the map on page 22 (green and blue infrastructure).

This is a comprehensive volume of work providing a framework for acceptable development in Sandleheath for the next 20 years.