



TATWORTH AND FORTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting of Tatworth & Forton Parish Council Held on 3rd April 2025 at 6.30pm at Tatworth Memorial Hall.

**Present: Chairman Councillor P Chapple: Councillors S Adams, R Down,
K Patay, E Peadon and R Wardell**

Clerk N Tinley

There were 5 Members of the Public present and No Press

The Members of the Public were invited to address the Council about any matters not already on the agenda but declined.

AGENDA

25/25 Apologies for absence

None.

26/25 Declarations of interest

None.

27/25 To approve and sign as a correct record Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on 6th March 2025

It was noted that at item 23/25 work was commenced at Dairs Barton not Long Haddon as stated.

Proposed by Councillor K Patay, Seconded by Councillor R Down. All in favour with one abstention (not at meeting).

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 6th March 2025 be signed as a correct record once the amendment was made.

28/25 Planning Applications

[25/00610/FUL Pop Lane Farm](#)

What is proposed? Erection of single storey self-build dwelling

The meeting was adjourned for the Applicant, Mr Francis, to introduce his application

With his wife he purchased a 4 acre plot of land off Pop Lane as a smallholding with eco-friendly policies, sustainability and no pesticides. The proposed 3 bedroomed bungalow with office will be thermal efficient with solar panels, a charging point and heat pump. It will replace the caravans currently on the site.

The meeting was resumed for the Councillors to discuss

The design was liked by the Councillors with wood cladding which would have little impact on the environment. However, concerns were raised as the location was outside the village and could begin creeping development in a rural location. It was put forward that this could set a precedent in the area.

Proposed by Councillor K Patay, Seconded by Councillor P Chapple. 2 for the application, 3 against with one abstention.

RESOLVED: Tatworth and Forton Parish Council does not support this application with material consideration 10 – other reason.

2 members of the public left the meeting

25/00628/FUL Land Opposite Perry Street House

What is proposed? Demolition of Existing Barn and Equestrian Arena, Change of Use from Agricultural/Equine to C3 Residential and Erection of Two Dwellings

There have been various applications on this site with 3 properties previously granted permissions which have now expired. The Council would have preferred more properties than on the current application but the site is derelict and ready for development.

Proposed by Councillor R Down, Seconded by Councillor K Patay. 5 in favour with one abstention.

RESOLVED: Tatworth and Forton Parish Council supports this application.

29/25 To approve Councils response to the approval of 24/01044/FUL Land west of Dairs Barton

The Parish Council wants to express its concerns regarding this development to the Somerset planners. Councillor Chapple has put together a response.

Proposed by Councillor R Down, Seconded by Councillor E Peadon. All in favour.

RESOLVED: The response has been adopted and will be forwarded to the Planning South and Somerset Councillor, Jason Baker.

30/25 Date of Next Meeting – 1st May 2025

Meeting closed at 7:00pm