

Coventry City Council
Minutes of the Meeting of Planning Committee held at 2.00 pm on Thursday, 25
June 2026

Present:

Members: Councillor A Hopkins (Chair)
Councillor S Akhter
Councillor J Blundell
Councillor M Fogden
Councillor S Gray
Councillor D Stainton
Councillor A Tucker
Councillor J Wells

Other Members: Councillors N Akhtar, Cabinet Member for Housing and Communities

Employees (by Service Area):

Highways and Transport N Benison

Law and Governance O Aremu, C Sinclair

Planning and Regulation A Lynch, R Penlington, K Russell, A Saleem, E Spandley, A Tew

Apologies: Councillor J Jones

Public Business

1. Declarations of Interest

Councillor A Tucker declared a pecuniary interest in the item referred to in Minute 6 (PL/2025/0002213/FUL - Cardinal Wiseman Catholic School Potters Green). He left the meeting during the Committee's consideration of the item.

2. Members Declarations of Contact on Planning Applications

The Members named declared a contact on the following application as indicated:

Application No.	Councillor	From
PL/2026/0000448/TPA - 74 Howes Lane	All Members of Committee	Applicant

3. Minutes of the Meeting held on 2 April 2026

The Minutes of the meeting held on 2 April 2026 were noted and accepted as a true record.

4. **Late Representations**

The Committee noted a tabled report which summarised late representations and responses on the following:

Application	Site	Minute
PL/2025/0002213/FUL	Cardinal Wiseman Catholic School, Potters Green Road	6
PL/2026/0000646/PAEC	Land at Blenheim Avenue Sports Ground, Holbrook Lane	7

5. **Application PL/2026/0000082/FUL - Hogs End Farmhouse, Hogs End Farm, 260A Hawkes Mill Lane**

The Committee considered a report of the Strategic Lead for Planning for the erection of detached dwelling with associated development (Plot 2 previously approved under reference OUT/2020/2762). The application was recommended for approval.

RESOLVED that planning permission be granted in respect of Application PL/2026/0000082/FUL subject to conditions.

6. **Application PL/2025/0002213/FUL - Cardinal Wiseman Catholic School Potters Green Road**

The Committee considered a report of the Strategic Lead for Planning for a new artificial grass pitch (AGP) with associated fencing, lighting, storage recesses, hard standing access and areas of soft landscaping. The application was recommended for approval.

The Late Representation report indicated that a further unsigned letter of objection had been received and that the objections raised had been addressed within the report.

Councillor E Ruane, a Henley Ward Councillor, had objected to the application and had sent a statement which was read out at the meeting. In addition, a registered speaker spoke in respect of their objections and a further registered speaker spoke in support of the application. The applicant responded in support of the application.

RESOLVED that planning permission be granted in respect of Application PL/2025/0002213/FUL, subject to conditions.

(Note: As Councillor A Tucker had declared an interest, he left the meeting for this item)

7. **Application PL/2026/0000646/PAEC - Sports Ground, Holbrook Lane**

The Committee considered a report of the Strategic Lead for Planning for Prior Approval for the installation of telecommunications base station comprising 20m monopole supporting 2 antennas, 300mm dishes with 7 equipment cabinets and

ancillary development thereto within compound fencing, which was recommended for approval.

The Late Representation document set out a correction to the report in respect of the distance of the nearest residential properties.

RESOLVED that Prior Approval be granted for Application PL/2026/0000646/PAEC in relation to the siting and design only, subject to conditions.

8. Application PL/2026/0000448/TPA - 74 Howes Lane

The Committee considered a report of the Strategic Lead for Planning seeking consent to fell one mature English Oak tree (T1) protected by the City of Coventry (Howes Lane No.1) Tree Preservation Order 1967. The application was recommended for refusal.

Councillor M Heaven, a Wainbody Ward Councillor, a registered speaker and the applicant attended the meeting and all spoke in support of the application.

RESOLVED that permission be refused for Application PL/2026/0000448TPA for the proposed works to a protected tree.

9. Outstanding Issues

There were no outstanding issues.

10. Any other items of public business which the Chair decides to take as matters of urgency because of the special circumstances involved

There were no other items of business.

(Meeting closed at 3.30 pm)