

**WHICHAM PARISH COUNCIL
DRAFT MINUTES OF THE PLANNING MEETING OF THE PARISH
COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 23 JULY 2026 AT SILECROFT
VILLAGE HALL COMMENCING AT 8 PM**

PRESENT: Cllr Fell (Chair), Cllr M Sharp, Cllr M Cumming, Cllr L Thomson, Cllr S Wilson
Lesley Cooper Clerk

50/26 Apologies for Absence: Cllr S Millar, Cllr N Tyson

51/26 Declarations of Interest

None

52/26 Applications for Development

52/26.1 To examine applications for development and submit observations to the Planning Authority

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4/26/2227/TPO Land to the North of Hole House Farm, Whicham

Removal of approximately 10m of hedgerow to facilitate the entry of plant required to carry out essential refurbishment work upon the steel tower structures which form the AF route 132kv overhead power supply

Councillors questioned whether this was the only access route and that the hedge must be fully reinstate with mature stock once works completed.

7/2026/4041

The Ralliss, Whicham

Conversion of existing agricultural barn to a single dwelling with associated external alterations, package treatment plant and associated works

Councillors raised concerns that major works had already been undertaken prior to the planning application.

52/26.2 To ratify the observations submitted by the Clerk under devolved powers.

None

52/26.3 To note the decisions of the statutory planning authority with regard to recent applications:

7/2026/4009 Beckside, Silecroft,

Three stand-alone Anaerobic Digester plants comprising three above ground tanks located within three shipping containers. Separator to be housed in new portal frame building

Granted

53/26 DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on 2 September 2026 at Silecroft Village Hall commencing at 7.30p

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 2100 hours.

Signed..... Dated.....