

WIRKSWORTH TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting of the Environment & Town Committee held 12th January 2026

**ET25/50 Present: Cllr S Maskrey (Chairman), Cllr P Taylor, Cllr F Rostron
Cllr S Barker**

**In attendance:
Suzanne Gratton (Deputy Town Clerk)**

ET25/51 Apologies for Absence: Cllr A Pollock, Cllr S Thompson

ET25/52 Variation in Order of Business: None

ET25/53 Members' Pecuniary Interests in Agenda Items: none

ET25/54 Minutes: the Minutes of the Meeting of the Environment and Town Committee held on 03 November 2025 were confirmed as a correct record.

Cllr Rostron arrived 1831

ET25/55 North End Footpath

Footpath Claim jitty Chapel Lane to North End (ET24/125) Ramblers Derbyshire Dales requested Council assist in getting this path added to the definitive footpath map and it was REC that the Town Council support the Ramblers Association in collating the replies and submitting the paperwork to assist in getting the footpath on the definitive map. Some replies are now in and a decision needs to be made if Council supports this claim submission

REC that the Council submit the claim for the North End to the County Council on behalf of the Ramblers Association.

ET25/56 Bolehill bikes (ET25/39)

Recommendation from ET25/39 "that councillors seek further clarification regarding the matter and report back to E&T in November. Cllr Barker advised that he had been informed by a resident that the footpath in Bolehill is being used by bikes.

REC that the DCC are asked if they can put up signage to advise no bikes allowed on footpaths. Cllrs to advise residents to contact DCC to report any occurrences.

ET25/57 Footpaths

Full council recommended that all previously identified improvements to footpaths were revisited (Bent Lane, Old Lane, Summer Lane, St Helens Lane) to check on their status and a residents request to look at the Bolehill to Wirksworth network

REC that the following footpath actions be taken:- Bent Lane footpath location be clarified with Cllrs, Old Lane – now a Restricted Byway, so no further action, Summer Lane – Council to consider this changing to a Restricted Byway – to be added to next E&T meeting to discuss. St Helen's Lane – footpath added to the definitive map, no further action. Bolehill network – the

resident who raise the initial query to be advised to progress the matter with the Ramblers Association. Ramblers Assoc to be contacted to advise of the Council' position.

ET25/58 Water & Ice on B5035

Cllr Taylor advised that there has been an issue with water & ice since some works had taken place to install a new drain line at the Breamfield Severn Trent site. Cllr Taylor had been in contact with CCllr Hunter regarding the matter.

REC Clerk to contact CCllr Hunter for an update. Residents to be advised to contact DCC with further reports.

ET25/59 Planning Applications received

RES to receive the recent delegated planning decisions of this Council.

1	25/01119/CLPUD	Proposed loft conversion with dormer to rear elevation Roseville Derby Road Wirksworth Derbyshire DE4 4AR
WTC - No comment, however, Wirksworth Town Council requests that any development or change seeks to reduce the carbon footprint. The Town Council's position will be that a building's impact on the environment should be of greater importance than the impact on the streetscape.		
2	25/01125/FUL	Extensions and incorporation of additional land into residential curtilage Armlees Farm Ryder Point Road Wirksworth Derbyshire DE4 4HE
WTC - No comment, however, Wirksworth Town Council requests that any development or change seeks to reduce the carbon footprint. The Town Council's position will be that a building's impact on the environment should be of greater importance than the impact on the streetscape.		
3	T/25/00178/TCA	Crown reduce 3No. Ash, 3No. Cherry Plum, 1No. Crab Apple, 1No. Hazel, 1No. Sycamore and 2No. Holly to 4metres in width. 14 Queen Elizabeths Close Wirksworth Derbyshire DE4 4EH
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4	25/01177/FUL	Replacement windows 48 - 49 Greenhill Wirksworth Derbyshire DE4 4EN
WTC - No comment, however, Wirksworth Town Council requests that any development or change seeks to reduce the carbon footprint. The Town Council's position will be that a building's impact on the environment should be of greater importance than the impact on the streetscape.		
5	25/01178/VCOND	Variation of condition 2 of application no. 23/00178/FUL - Demolition of dwellinghouse and erection of 5no. dwellinghouses with associated access and parking The Gables 14 Bolehill Road Bolehill Derbyshire DE4 4GQ
WTC - No comment, however, Wirksworth Town Council requests that any development or change seeks to reduce the carbon footprint. The Town Council's position will be that a building's impact on the environment should be of greater importance than the impact on the streetscape.		

ET25/60 Planning Decisions & Appeals

(decisions are only to be reported where the Town Council have objected to application.)

None to report

The meeting closed at 1904

Chairman