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**Minutes of a Okehampton Town Council Planning Committee Meeting
held on 17th August 2026 at 6.30pm in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Okehampton**

Members Present:

Councillor T Leech (Chairman)

Councillor M Ireland (Vice-Chairman)

Councillor R Colman

Councillor T Cummings

Councillor M Ricketts

Councillor B Tolley (Chairman, Parks)

In Attendance:

Mrs E James (Clerk)

Absent:

Cllr Richards

The meeting was livestreamed through the Council Facebook page.

185. Apologies for Absence

On the proposition of Cllr Ireland, seconded by Cllr Cummings it was **RESOLVED** to accept apologies tendered by Cllr Yelland (personal) and Cllr Bird (personal).

186. Declarations of Interest

None

187. Public Participation

None

188. Members' Questions

Cllr Ireland asked about the provision of toilets at the Interchange Railway Station and publicity of changes to the bus timetables. Cllr Leech advised it was believed toilets were being provided privately for which a timescale was unknown and that DCC were responsible for bus timetables.

189. Planning Applications for Consideration

[2194/26/TPO](#) TPO N94; T1: Oak – crown height reduction by up to 10m, basal decay, risk of failure. T2: Oak - remove 1x limb on N side overhanging pond, severe lean, risk of failure. 29 Herons Brook, Okehampton.

On the proposition of Cllr Colman, seconded by Cllr Cummings it was **RESOLVED** to respond in accordance with the Tree Officer's recommendation.

190. Urgent Items

Cllr Leech reported that the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) changes had taken affect today, full details of which were unknown at this time.

The meeting was closed by the Chairman at 6.42pm

Cllr Leech, Committee Chairman