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Okehampton Town Council

**Minutes of a Okehampton Town Council Planning Committee Meeting  
held on 7<sup>th</sup> September 2026 at 6pm in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Okehampton**

**Members Present:**

Cllr T Leech (Chairman)  
Cllr T Cummings  
Cllr M Ricketts  
Cllr J Yelland

Cllr L Bird (Chairman, Property)

**In Attendance:**

Mrs E James (Clerk)

**Absent:**

The meeting was livestreamed through the Council Facebook page.

**200. Apologies for Absence**

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

**201. Declarations of Interest**

None

**202. Public Participation**

None

**203. Members' Questions**

Issues with train cancellations were highlighted which Cllr Leech would follow up.

**204. Planning Applications for Consideration**

**2332/26/HHO** Proposed external staircase, new external door at first floor and associated alterations to existing detached garage. 1 Kingfisher Drive, Okehampton

On the proposition of Cllr Cummings, seconded by Cllr Bird it was **RESOLVED** to support the application.

**205. Premises License Application for Consideration**

Application for the:

- Supply of Alcohol On premises Monday to Sunday 11:00-23:00.
- Opening Hours Monday to Sunday 11:00-23:30.

Rajpoot Bangladesh & Indian Restaurant at Bridge House (basement), 25 Fore Street, Okehampton

On the proposition of Cllr Cummings, seconded by Cllr Bird (1 abstention) it was **RESOLVED** to support the application.

## **206. South Hams and West Devon Joint Local Plan Consultation**

Cllr Leech declared a personal interest being a Member of WDBC.

Local Plan Scoping Consultation - To read and respond to the Scoping Consultation, visit the Commonplace page here: <https://shwdlocalplan.commonplace.is/en-GB/>

Call for Sites - <https://shwdlocalplan.commonplace.is/en-GB/proposals/v3/call-for-sites-summer-2026?step=step1>

A response to the South Hams and West Devon councils Scoping Consultation and Call for Sites in preparation for a new South Hams and West Devon Joint Local Plan was considered. Closing date – 24<sup>th</sup> September

It was commented that WDBC had only 30 months in which to complete the document, including consultations. However no paper copies were known to be available for those without internet access, the consultation was partly run over the summer holiday period and there was a general lack of communication.

On the proposition of Cllr Bird, seconded by Cllr Cummings it was **RESOLVED** that a paper version of the documents be sent to all councillors. Councillors' comments to be considered at the Full Council meeting on 21<sup>st</sup> September 2026 which will commence at the earlier time of 6pm.

## **207. Urgent Items**

The Local Government Review had been paused by the government, who had confirmed that elections in accordance with existing boundaries would go ahead in 2027.

A briefing for town and parish councils in relation to the new National Policy Planning Framework had been scheduled.

The following planning applications for information only were noted:

[2348/26/ARC](#) Application for approval of details reserved by condition 4 (sound insulation) of planning consent 3122/25/FUL  
Ranelagh House, Ranelagh Road, Okehampton

[2346/26/CLP](#) Certificate of lawfulness for proposed use continued implementation of the two-storey office/warehouse development authorised by planning permission 3041/22/FUL in accordance with the approved plans and conditions  
Unit 1a-2d, North Road Industrial Estate, Okehampton

The meeting was closed by the Chairman at 6.52pm.

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Cllr Leech, Committee Chairman