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Emma James
Town Clerk

8th October

Dear Councillor

You are summoned to attend a meeting of the Planning Committee to be held on Monday 19th October 2026 at 7pm in the Council Chamber, Fore Street, Okehampton.

Committee Membership consists of the following:

Councillor T Leech (Chairman)	Councillor L Bird (Chairman, Property)
Councillor M Ireland (Vice-Chairman)	Councillor B Tolley (Chairman, Parks)
Councillor R Colman	
Councillor T Cummings	
Councillor M Ricketts	
Councillor J Yelland	

Yours faithfully

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AGENDA

This meeting will be livestreamed through the Council's Facebook page. Persons attending may be captured on film when seated in the public seating area and any speech may be picked up and broadcast.

A fire alarm drill is not planned. In the event that the alarm sounds, please make your way out of the building using either staircase to the meeting point in Red Lion Yard and await further instructions.

Councillors are reminded that to avoid the risk of being seen as predetermined or biased, they should consider all debate prior to deciding on how to vote on items of business.

Urgent items - items for information only can be brought to the attention of the Committee at the discretion of the Chairman at the end of the meeting.

No decision can be taken on items not detailed on the published agenda.

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Business to be transacted.

1. **Apologies for Absence** - To receive apologies for absence from those Members unable to attend.
2. **Declarations of Interest** - To receive disclosures of interests from Councillors on matters to be considered at the meeting. The disclosure shall include the nature of the interested. If a Member becomes aware, during the course of the meeting, an interest that had not been disclosed they must do so immediately.

3. **Public Participation** – To receive questions or comments from members of public (please note that decisions cannot be made on items not detailed on the agenda.)
4. **Members' Questions** - To receive questions from Members regarding the workings of the Committee.
5. **Minutes** – To confirm, approve and sign the minutes of the Planning Committee meetings held on 3rd and 18th August, 7th September 2026.
6. **Planning Applications for Consideration**
0505/26/VAR Application for variation of Conditions 2 (Approved Plans), 7 (Landscaping) and 9 (Boundary Treatments) of planning consent 0938/2015 (Appeal Ref: APP/Q1153/W/17/317503) Maynebrooke Heights, Castle Road, Okehampton
Comments by 20th October 2026 (extension of time granted)
7. **Planning Applications for Information**
2738/26/PAD Application to determine if prior approval is required for the proposed demolition of former garden centre and commercial buildings
Pift Ltd 52, North Road Industrial Estate Okehampton EX20 1BQ
8. **Planning Authority Decisions** – To note the decisions made by the planning authority as detailed on the circulated report
9. **National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF)** – To consider a report from Cllr Leech about changes to the document and the planning consultation and decision-making process
10. **Traffic Waiting Restrictions** – To consider correspondence from Cllr Grainger requesting suggestions for changes to waiting restrictions in Okehampton
11. **Payment of Invoices** – To resolve to approve the payment of invoices as listed on the schedule.
12. **Members' Reports and Requests for Agenda Items** - To receive reports from Members attending other organisations on behalf of the Council
 - 12.1 Citizens Advice (Cllr Leech)
 - 12.2 Devon Communities Together (Cllrs Cummings and Leech)
 - 12.3 Ockment Centre (Cllr Leech)
 - 12.4 Okehampton & Area Health & Wellbeing Alliance (CVS) (No representative))
 - 12.5 Okehampton & District Community Transport Group (Cllr Leech)
 - 12.6 OkeRail Forum (Cllr Ireland)
 - 12.7 Rural Market Town Group (Cllr Leech)

PART TWO – CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

13. **The Committee is recommended to pass the following resolution:**
'Resolved that under section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 that the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the following items which are CONFIDENTIAL by virtue of relating to legal and/or commercial matters, staffing and/or the financial or business affairs of a person or persons other than the Council.
14. **Enforcement Issues** – To receive a report
15. **Highways Matters** – To note information received from Cllr Grainger