

LEIGH AND BRANSFORD PARISH COUNCIL PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 28th April 2026, 7.00pm at Leigh and Bransford Memorial Hall.

1. Apologies. Apologies from Cllrs Christie, Hawkins and Cresswell.
2. Register of interests. None.
3. Public participation.

(Meeting closed)

Potters Reach. A resident raised concerns that MHDC Planning may be breaching consent conditions for Potters Reach Phase 1. Specifically, required S106 works tied to 25% completion and the completion of open spaces/footpaths to Pine Close and Lynn Close by the 30th property build have not been met. The resident argues Phase 2 should not proceed until these issues are resolved and has received no response from MHDC to his emails.

The Chair summarised the background but more importantly what has happened since the last parish meeting on the 24th March. The main one being a letter from the head planner dated 25th March giving justification to the amendment of 15 to 28 houses. The Chair reiterated that the PC had unanimously refused the latest plan of 28 houses and that this process has not been handled particularly well by MHDC. The Chair confirmed the PC have done all that they can. To be discussed again at next parish meeting on 26th May. The resident has also been in touch with Cllr Rouse.

Stocks Lane traffic.

Another resident spoke of her concern of speeding traffic in Stocks Lane. The Chair confirmed that the police had been present at our Annual Parish Meeting on the 14th April and had spoken proactively about problems with speeding and how it's being dealt with. **ACTION.** Clerk to flag to police the problem of speeding in Stocks Lane.

Stocks Lane new development

A third resident voiced concern about a new build – the Chair confirmed it will be discussed at item 6, Planning.

(Meeting opened).

4. Matters arising from previous planning minutes. None.
5. Presentation: Collaborative Proposal - Enhancing Leigh Sinton's Community Facilities – Londis/Post Office, Leigh Sinton. A presentation was given outlining the proposed plans which include a larger ground floor store, a café on the 1st floor plus an extra 7 parking spaces. It's very much at an early stage and consultations have not yet taken place. Concerns from residents present: size/height of build - especially as the cafe could overlook smaller dwellings in the immediate vicinity; parking (or lack of). Style of build – not in keeping with the local vernacular. Cllr Sharp suggested that the café could be used as a community space, eg to be used by local groups in the evening. He also suggested a requirement would be for solar panels. Cllr Ralph voiced that it would be a great asset to the village. The Chair asked that they return at a later date to give a more detailed update to the parish as opposed to the parish council. The offer was accepted. Emily and Cooks were thanked for their time.

6. Applications to be considered.

Reference	Location	Proposal	Outcome
M/26/00440/RM	Sunningdale Stocks Lane Leigh Sinton Malvern WR13 5DY	Reserved Matters application following Planning Permission Ref: M/24/01511/OUT (for appearance, landscaping, layout and scale).	Proposed: Cllr Ralph, Seconded Cllr Sharp. All in favour.
M/26/00462/HP.	6 Suffield Bransford Worcester WR6 5JE	Construction of 1800mm high fencing to front garden incorporating vehicular access and pedestrian gates onto the public highway. Surfacing of existing front garden with permeable block paving.	Proposed: Cllr Ralph, Seconded Cllr Brazier. All in favour.
M/26/00221/ADV	Land At (Os 7663 4998) Crowcroft Leigh Sinton	Erection of freestanding sign on private land	Proposed: Cllr Sharp, Seconded Cllr Bayston. All in favour.
M/26/00553/HP	9 Lynn Close Leigh Sinton Malvern WR13 5DU	Two storey side extension	Proposed: Cllr Bayston, Seconded Cllr Brazier. All in favour.

7. Planning decisions received.

M/25/01884/HP - 6 Brockamin, Leigh. Demolition of rear conservatory and proposed single-storey extension. **Approved.** Noted.

M/25/01445/FUL. The Forge, Bransford: change of use of existing grazing/haulage barns to storage & workshop use, and 2no. new residential parking spaces for the property. **Withdrawn.** Noted.

Planning Inspectorate APP/J1860/X/25/3363143: Land At (Os 7739 5363), WR6 5JZ – **Appeal:** The appeal is allowed insofar as it relates to the front section of the land but is dismissed in all other respects. Noted.

8. Potters Reach Phase 2 – as discussed above.

9. Councillors reports and items for future consideration. Cllr Sharp confirmed his resignation as the checker of Rectory Wood. To be carried forward to next meeting. All said how lovely Jubilee Gardens were looking. A Thank you to Lisa the gardener for all her work!

10. Next Meeting: Parish Council Meeting: Tuesday 26th May 2026

Meeting closed at: 8.12PM

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