

BOURNEMOUTH, CHRISTCHURCH AND POOLE COUNCIL
EASTERN BCP PLANNING COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Meeting held on 22 May 2026 at 1.30 pm

Present:-

Cllr P Hilliard – Chairman

Cllr M Le Poidevin – Vice-Chairman

Present: Cllr P Canavan, Cllr M Gillett, Cllr G Martin, Cllr Dr F Rice and
Cllr T Slade

Also in Cllr E Connolly (virtually), Cllr A Keddle and Cllr L Williams
attendance:

1. Apologies

Apologies were received from Cllrs J Clements, D Flagg and M Tarling.

2. Substitute Members

None

3. Election of Chair

The Vice-Chair presided over this item and sought nominations for the position of Chair. A nomination was received and seconded for Cllr P Hilliard. No further nominations were received.

RESOLVED: That Cllr P Hilliard be elected Chair for the 2026/27 municipal year.

4. Election of Vice-Chair

Nominations were sought for the position of Vice-Chair. A nomination was received and seconded for Cllr M LePoidevin. No further nominations were received.

RESOLVED: That Cllr M LePoidevin be elected Vice-Chair for the 2026/27 Municipal year.

5. Declarations of Interests

There were no declarations of interest made on this occasion.

6. Confirmation of Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 16 April 2026 were approved as a correct record.

7. Public Issues

The Chair advised that there were a number of requests to speak on the planning applications as detailed below.

8. Schedule of Planning Applications

The Committee considered a planning application report, a copy of which had been circulated and which appears as Appendix A to these minutes in the Minute Book. A Committee Addendum Sheet was published on 21 May and appears as Appendix B to these minutes.

9. Vitality Stadium Kings Park Drive Bournemouth BH7 7AF

Littledown and Iford / East Cliff & Springbourne

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Demolition of south stand and structures at the stadium. Phased expansion of stadium to provide additional general admission seating, hospitality and associated floorspace through replacement south stand, refurbishment and expansion of north, east and west stands and infilling of corners, erection of new perimeter fence line including turnstiles and access gates, new fanzone and ticket office, food and beverage kiosks, creation of outside broadcasting area with welfare, power and media facilities, lighting(including replacement floodlights), creation of secure away team coach parking, realignment of combined pedestrian / cycle path, amendment to groundskeepers' compound, amendments to layout of car parking areas and circulation routes, replacement security building, cycle parking, relocation of equipment, plant and services and erection of new electricity substations, landscaping, public realm and ancillary and associated works.

The meeting was preceded by a site visit which was attended by all Committee Members present.

Public Representations

Objectors

- ❖ Clare Matthews, Local resident via statement
- ❖ Nick Day, Local resident

Applicant/Supporters

- ❖ Peter Lamb, Agent, Director Central South Planning, Savills
- ❖ Jim Frevola, Director of Business, AFCB

Ward Councillors and adjoining Ward Councillors

- ❖ Cllr L Williams

- ❖ Cllr S Carr-Brown, via statement
- ❖ Cllr A Keddie
- ❖ Cllr E Connolly

Following questions on the application the meeting adjourned at 3.50pm and resumed at 3.57pm

RESOLVED to GRANT permission in accordance with the recommendation set out in the officer's report, as updated by the Committee Addendum published and with delegation to the head of planning to agree amendments to conditions, including:

- **An additional condition be added that details of a litter strategy be submitted by the applicant and agreed;**
- **Condition 21 be amended to be reflective of inclusive design within the public art displayed;**
- **The Transport Working Group should be open access to surrounding ward councillors;**
- **Further minor alternations and additions to conditions as required;**
- **Completion of a section 106 agreement.**

It should be noted that the recommendation to grant permission is subject to the need to refer this decision to the Secretary of State for a 21-day period to decide whether they wish to intervene in the decision and call-in the planning application before the decision notice is issued.

The meeting ended at 4.21 pm

CHAIRMAN