

**Minutes of the hybrid meeting of the Management, Estates and Strategy (MES) Committee
held on Thursday 2 April 2026 at 6pm at the Old Wool Market**

Present	Cllr C Black	Vice-Chair
	Cllr R Thomas-Turner	Deputy Mayor
	Cllr K Blaker	
	Cllr T Moses	
	Cllr S Pearce (lost connection 7.25 to 7.39pm)	
In attendance	V Lewis Camacho	Town Clerk
	E Gear	Deputy Town Clerk
	D Lawrence	Facilities Manager
	Cllr D Thomas-Turner	Sheriff

Cllr C Black, Vice-Chair of the Committee, took the chair and welcomed all to the meeting.

1. Apologies for absence: Cllr(s) K Manikonda, B Simister, and R Thomas (ex-officio Member).

2. Declarations of interest from Members

Agenda Item	Member	Interest	Nature of interest
None			

3. Matters arising from the minutes of the last meeting

The minutes of the Committee meeting held on 5 March 2026 were approved at the Full Council meeting held on 19 March 2026. There were no matters arising.

4. Review of Planning Applications

The Committee reviewed planning applications and decision notifications received since 5 March 2026.

The Deputy Clerk noted that Planning Application Ref(s) 25/0829/PA and 25/1033/LB regarding the change of use of the former court room of Shire Hall to a Theatre would be deferred until the Full Council meeting on 16 April 2026 as both applications had only just been received.

Resolved: **To defer Planning Applications Ref(s) 25/0829/PA and 25/1033/LB to Full Council Meeting on 16 April 2026. Proposed: Cllr D Thomas-Turner. Seconded: Cllr Tom Moses. All in favour.**

In connection with Planning Application Ref No: 25/1048/PA - Demolition of existing building and erection of 2no. commercial units incorporating a drive-thru lane (use class A1 / A3), together with EV charging points, parking, landscaping and associated engineering works. Members raised concerns about the potential for traffic issues arising from the drive-thru from the A40 exist with the roundabout. Agreed that the Council's responses should indicate support of this planning application subject to the Highways Authority addressing these concerns.

Resolved: **To express support of the Planning Application Ref No: 25/1048/PA subject to Highways Authority being satisfied that the inclusion of a drive-thru route from the A40 junction does not cause traffic issues at the roundabout. Proposed: Cllr R Thomas-Turner. Seconded: Cllr K Blake. All in favour.**

Resolved: **To approve, without objection, all other planning applications and to note the planning decisions and Withdrawal Notifications listed in the Appendix. The Clerk to notify the Local Planning**

**Authority. Proposed: Cllr R Thomas-Turner.
Seconded: Cllr S Pearce. All in favour.**

Recommendation 2	Subject to obtaining costings, approve in principal support of supporting River Festival to extend car park closure (Beating of the Bounds on the Sunday 14 June) to include the River Festival and potentially add additional Bunting at along the Quayside up to Western Quayside. Proposed: Cllr R Thomas-Turner. Seconded: Cllr C Black. All in favour.
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5. Actions and updates from Clerk's report

Cemetery Inspection Training complete by both Groundsmen. Testing at Upper Prendergast Cemetery will be carried out within the calendar year was noted.

Picton Centre – Preparation was being made ahead of first booking on 15 April and to secure the car park from unauthorised parking using bollards and signage. A review of schedule works and prioritisation of same now the building was empty was being undertaken to share with the Picton Centre Task and Finish Group.

Update on **Volunteering Event at Priory Saltings** – which raised the boardwalk and cleared a pathway from the rail track down to the Boardwalk was noted.

General Fire & Safety & Risk Assessments conducted on 16/17 March – Clerk provided a verbal updated on three site visits (Old Wool Market, Picton Centre and Sports Pavilion). Reports Had been issued and contained a range of High, Medium and Low actions which staff were reviewing and actioning.

River Festival

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The Committee made the following recommendation from the Clerk's report:

Summer Bunting

Recommendation 1	From quotations sought by the Clerk, the quotation to supply bunting totalling £1,853.40 +VAT be approved. Proposed: Cllr R Thomas-Turner. Seconded: Cllr S Pearce. All in favour.
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6. Items for next agenda

None raised.

7. Date of next meeting

Thursday 4 June 2026, 6.00pm, Old Wool Market.

New Applications/Consultations and Other Notifications Received Since date of last meeting on 5 March 2026

Ref No: 25/0829/PA	Material change of use of part of the building from a former court room to a theatre (SuiGeneris Use Class)
Link to Planning Portal	Please click here to view application documents.
Ward: CASTLE	Shire Hall, High Street, Haverfordwest, Pembrokeshire, SA61 2BN Grid Reference: 195416.927-215600.475 Last Date for Determination: 30 March 2026

Ref No: 25/1017/PA	Conversion of garage to create self-contained annex
Link to Planning Portal	Please click here to view application documents.
Ward: PRENDERGAST	Penrhiwllan, Churchway, PRENDERGAST, Haverfordwest, Pembrokeshire, SA61 2BJ Grid Reference: 1195703.968-216396.907 Last Date for Determination: 3 May 2026

Ref No: 25/0934/PA	Single storey rear extension
Link to Planning Portal	Please click here to view application documents.
Ward: PRENDERGAST	19, Bridgend Square, Haverfordwest, Pembrokeshire, SA61 2ND Grid Reference: 195556.617-215943.708 Last Date for Determination: 4 May 2026

Ref No: 25/0935/LB	Removal of steel beams and erection of single storey extension to rear.
Link to Planning Portal	Please click here to view application documents.
Ward: PRENDERGAST	19, Bridgend Square, Haverfordwest, Pembrokeshire, SA61 2ND Grid Reference: 195556.617-215943.708 Last Date for Determination: 4 May 2026

Ref No: 25/1064/PA	Installation of defibrillator and bleed kit cabinets to external wall of Nationwide Building Society branch
Link to Planning Portal	Please click here to view application documents.
Ward: CASTLE	6, Victoria Place, Haverfordwest, Pembrokeshire, SA61 2LQ Grid Reference: 195472.096-215677.568 Last Date for Determination: 11 May 2026

Ref No: 25/1048/PA	Demolition of existing building and erection of 2no. commercial units incorporating a drive-thru lane (use class A1 / A3), together with EV charging points, parking, landscaping and associated engineering works.
Link to Planning Portal	Please click here to view application documents.
Ward: PRIORY & PRENDERGAST	Pms, Salutation Square, Haverfordwest, Pembrokeshire, SA61 2LG Grid Reference: 195700.484-215716.079 Last Date for Determination: 03 May 2026

Ref No: 25/1033/LB	Change of use of former Court Room/ Council Chambers into Theatre and Multi-Functional Auditorium
Link to Planning Portal	Please click here to view application documents.
Ward: CASTLE	Shire Hall, High Street, Haverfordwest, Pembrokeshire, SA61 2BN Grid Reference: 195416.927-215600.475 Last Date for Determination: 07 May 2026

Ref No: 25/1078/LB	Installation of defibrillator and bleed kit cabinets to external wall of Nationwide Building Society branch
Link to Planning Portal	Please click here to view application documents.
Ward: CASTLE	6, Victoria Place, Haverfordwest, Pembrokeshire, SA61 2LQ Grid Reference: 195472.096-215677.568 Last Date for Determination: 11 May 2026

Notification of Planning Decisions

Ref No: 25/0882/PA	Installation of modular 'Click and Collect' pod with associated livery and signage
Ward: PORTFIELD	Tesco Stores Ltd, Haverfordwest, Pembrokeshire, SA61 1BU
Grid Reference:	194700.479-215110.208
Notification of Planning Decision	Conditionally Approved Date decided: 11 March 2026 Please click here to view the application documents

Ref No: 25/0777/PA	Change of use of ground floor of former bank (Class A2) to nail bar (sui generis)
Ward: CASTLE	10, Victoria Place, Haverfordwest, Pembrokeshire, SA61 2LR
Grid Reference:	195484.465-215687.827
Notification of Planning Decision	Refused Date decided: 10 March 2026 Please click here to view the application documents

Ref No: 25/0778/LB	Change of use of ground floor of former bank (Class A2) to nail bar (sui generis)
Ward: CASTLE	10, Victoria Place, Haverfordwest, Pembrokeshire, SA61 2LR
Grid Reference:	195484.465-215687.827
Notification of Planning Decision	Refused Date decided: 10 March 2026 Please click here to view the application documents

Ref No: 25/0904/PA	Change of use from offices to residential.
Ward: PRIORY	37, Merlins Hill, Haverfordwest, Pembrokeshire, SA61 1PE
Grid Reference:	194932.889-215100.725
Notification of Planning Decision	Conditionally Approved Date decided: 20 March 2026 Please click here to view the application documents

Ref No: 25/0953/AD	Removal of existing signage and the display of 5 no. illuminated fascia signs, 1 no illuminated pylon sign and new illuminated entrance portal.
Ward: PRENDERGAST & CASTLE	Victoria Garage, Perrots Road, Haverfordwest, Pembrokeshire, SA61 2HD
Grid Reference:	195289.171-215937.689
Notification of Planning Decision	Conditionally Approved Date decided: 23 March 2026 Please click here to view the application documents

Ref No: 25/0851/PA	Single storey rear extension and associated alterations.
Ward: PORTFIELD	115, Haven Road, Haverfordwest, Pembrokeshire, SA61 1DL
Grid Reference:	193598.842-215415.853
Notification of Planning Decision	Conditionally Approved Date decided: 23 March 2026 Please click here to view the application documents

Withdrawal Notifications

Ref No: 25/0626/PA	Installation of air conditioning units
Ward: CASTLE	37, Bridge Street, Haverfordwest, Pembrokeshire, SA61 2AL
	See Notice in Council planning folder