

MINUTES of a meeting of the PLANNING Committee held in the Forest Room, Stenson House, London Road, Coalville, LE67 3FN on TUESDAY, 14 October 2025

Present: Councillor R Boam (Chair)

Councillors A Barker, M Burke, R Canny, D Cooper, D Everitt, J Legrys, P Moulton, J G Simmons and N Smith

Officers: Ms S Booth, Ms J Davies, Mr B Dooley, Ms A Edwards, Mr C Elston and Mrs R Wallace

22. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Councillor D Bigby, Councillor R Morris, and Councillor C Sewell.

23. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

There were no interests declared.

24. MINUTES

Consideration was given to the minutes of the meeting held on 9 September 2025

It was moved by Councillor J Legrys, seconded by Councillor N Smith and

RESOLVED THAT:

The minutes of the meeting held on 9 September 2025 be approved and signed by the Chair as an accurate record of proceedings.

25. PLANNING APPLICATIONS AND OTHER MATTERS

Consideration was given to the report of the Head of Planning and Infrastructure, as amended by the update sheet circulated at the meeting.

26. 24/01236/FUL: RETENTION OF 3 NO. UNDERGROUND LPG GAS TANKS TO SERVE THE APPROVED RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT SCHEME FOR 28 HOUSES AT HOME FARM

The Senior Planning Officer presented the report.

Mr D Harris-Watkins, speaking as agent, addressed the Committee. He expressed support for this application and highlighted the lack of objections.

A discussion was had during which members expressed their support for the application, and several questions of clarity were addressed by officers.

A question was asked related to footpath disruption and possible diversion routes should further development on the site be necessary. The Planning and Development Team Manager responded that the new development would accommodate the footpaths on the new route and confirmed that diversion routes would be put in place if needed.

It was also questioned whether the gas tanks would be used if there were to be further development on the site. The Planning and Development Team Manager replied that, in the event of further development, the building regulations may be changed, and that fossil fuel heat sources would not be used.

Chair's initials

The Officers recommendation to permit the application was moved by Councillor J Legrys, seconded by Councillor R Canny.

The Chair put the motion to the vote. A recorded vote being required, the voting was as detailed below and

RESOLVED THAT:

The application be permitted without modification.

Recorded Vote (Resolution)	
Councillor Russell Boam	For
Councillor Anthony Barker	For
Councillor Morgan Burke	For
Councillor Rachel Canny	For
Councillor Doug Cooper	For
Councillor David Everitt	For
Councillor John Legrys	For
Councillor Peter Moul	For
Councillor Jenny Simmons	For
Councillor Nigel Smith	For
Carried	

27. 25/00711/FUL: DEMOLITION OF EXISTING SINGLE STOREY REAR EXTENSION AND ERECTION OF A TWO STOREY REAR EXTENSION AND SINGLE STOREY REAR EXTENSIONS, OUTSIDE KITCHEN AND PERGOLA. ALTERATIONS TO FRONT WINDOWS, REPLACEMENT WINDOWS AND REPLACEMENT FRONT PORCH. EXTENSION TO EXISTING OUTBUILDING TO FORM HOME GYM. LANDSCAPING TO INCLUDE PROVISION OF RETAINING WALLS.

Prior to the item commencing, Councillor N Smith stated that he used to own the property the application was concerned with and asked the Legal Advisor whether that should be treated as a registerable interest. The Legal Advisor advised that, due to the length of time that had passed since owning the property, it could not be regarded as a registerable interest.

The Planning Officer presented the report.

Mr D Harris-Watkins, speaking as agent, addressed the Committee. He noted there were no objections resulting from a statutory consultation. The Committee was urged to grant the application.

Members expressed their support for the development but asked whether a condition could be implemented to prevent the land from being used for commercial purposes. The Head of Planning and Infrastructure and the Planning and Development Team Manager agreed to add this condition.

A discussion was had by members which focused on privacy issues resulting from new extensions. The Head of Planning and Infrastructure was satisfied that there was to be no impact on the neighbouring property caused by this extension, and that windows would not be positioned directly over properties.

The Officers recommendation to permit the application was moved by Councillor R Canny, seconded by Councillor J Legrys.

Chair's initials

The Chair put the motion to the vote. A recorded vote being required, the voting was as detailed below.

RESOLVED THAT:

The application be permitted, subject to the condition that the land must not be used for commercial purposes.

Recorded Vote (Resolution)	
Councillor Russell Boam	For
Councillor Anthony Barker	For
Councillor Morgan Burke	For
Councillor Rachel Canny	For
Councillor Doug Cooper	For
Councillor David Everitt	For
Councillor John Legrys	For
Councillor Peter Moulton	For
Councillor Jenny Simmons	For
Councillor Nigel Smith	Abstain
Carried	

The meeting commenced at 6.00 pm

The Chair closed the meeting at 6.34 pm

Chair's signature