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NOTICE OF MEETING - PLANNING APPLICATIONS COMMITTEE 22 JULY 2026

A meeting of the Planning Applications Committee will be held on Wednesday, 22 July 2026 at 6.30 pm in the Council Chamber, Civic Centre, Bridge Street, Reading RG1 2LU. The Agenda for the meeting is set out below.

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PLANNING APPLICATIONS TO BE CONSIDERED

7. PL/26/0573 (FUL) - THE ORACLE, BRIDGE STREET	Decision	ABBEY	27 - 58
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Proposal: Full planning application for the removal of the existing rooftop safety lines and handrails and replacement with rooftop safety rails and installation of fixed ladder.

Recommendation: Grant, subject to conditions.

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8.	PL/26/0785 (REG3) - READING CENTRAL LIBRARY, ABBEY SQUARE	Decision	ABBHEY	59 - 68
	Proposal:	Installation of temporary security hoarding, mesh screens and associated security measures to the Central Library, Abbey Square, Reading, to secure the vacant building against unauthorised access, vandalism and anti-social behaviour pending determination of its future use.		
	Recommendation:	Grant, subject to conditions.		
9.	PL/26/0614 & PL/26/0617 (REG3) - CAVERSHAM COURT, CHURCH ROAD, CAVERSHAM	Decision	CAVERSHAM	69 - 84
	Proposal:	Repair and conservation work to the Gazebo, Causeway, Stable Block boundary wall and gate piers, East (screen) wall gates and gates opening and buttress to the adjacent garden wall.		
	Recommendation(s):	PL/26/0614 - Grant, subject to conditions. PL/26/0617 - Grant, subject to conditions.		
10.	PL/25/1338 (VAR) - 9 UPPER CROWN STREET	Decision	KATESGROVE	85 - 148
	Proposal:	Application under Section 73 to vary Condition 2 (approved plans) of Planning Permission ref. PL/23/0814: (Demolition of existing buildings and structures, associated re-use of frame with basement level used for car parking and servicing, erection of 3 no. residential blocks containing 46 no. dwellings above, associated parking (including replacement), access works and landscaping, relocation of substations and associated works to rear of indigo apartments to facilitate pedestrian access) to add dormers to the front roof slope of building 1 (terrace houses) and to the top floor of building 2 (central block), addition of ensembles to a number of the 2b3p units in building 2, other minor changes to the layouts of all three buildings, addition of 2 tandem vehicle parking spaces at basement level which will include EV charging and to reduce the affordable housing provision of the development.		
	Recommendation:	Grant, subject to conditions and Section 106.		
11.	PL/26/0550 (REG3) - WILSON PRIMARY SCHOOL, WILSON ROAD	Decision	NORCOT	149 - 156
	Proposal:	Full planning application for a new storage building in school playground (retrospective).		
	Recommendation:	Grant.		

Proposal: Demolition of existing buildings and Gas Holder and the erection of new buildings ranging between 2 and 9 storeys in height, providing 130 residential units (Class C3) with associated access, car parking, landscaping and open space without complying with conditions 2 (approved plans), 11 (noise mitigation), 12 (ventilation strategy), 26 (SuDS) and 35 (vehicle parking) of planning permission ref. PL/19/0627 for changes to design, layout, unit mix, vehicle parking, refuse storage, landscaping, noise mitigation, ventilation strategy and energy strategy.

Recommendation: Grant, subject to conditions.

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