

Epsom & Ewell Borough Council – Decisions taken by the Licensing and Planning Policy Committee on Tuesday, 19 May 2026

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Decisions will come into force, and may be implemented, on the expiry of 5 clear working days from the date of this notice unless called in by the Audit and Scrutiny Committee.

NOTE: The following represents a summary of the decisions taken by the Committee. It is not intended to represent the formal record of the meeting (for which reference should be made to the minutes) but to facilitate the call-in process.

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1.	Declarations of Interest	No declarations of any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests or other registrable or non-registrable interests were made by Members with respect to any items to be considered at the meeting.
2.	MOTION	<p>Following consideration, the Committee resolved that the recommendations of the motion were NOT agreed.</p> <p>The votes on the recommendations were as follows:</p> <p>With 4 votes for the recommendation, 5 votes against the recommendation and the Chair not voting the following recommendation was NOT agreed:</p> <p>2) Withdraw delegation of authority item P7:</p> <p><i>‘To propose changes and corrections to the Local Plan (2022-2040) and supporting documents, including policy updates, editorial, typographical and grammatical errors, during and following the publicity period, plan submission and during examination.’</i></p> <p>With 4 votes for the recommendations, 5 votes against the recommendations and the Chair not voting the following recommendations were NOT agreed:</p>

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		<p>1) The LPPC will ensure that all development plan documents to be submitted to the Inspector, including but not limited to amendments to development plan documents and addendums to development plan documents, are reviewed and approved for release by the LPPC, in compliance with PaCPA para 20 and the committee’s Terms of Reference, prior to submission to the Inspector.</p> <p>Further to ensure that, where such document are required to be approved by Full Council under the terms of the constitution, that this approval is also first obtained prior to submission to the Inspector.</p> <p>3) Documents COUD_020 and COUD_021 will be presented to the LPPC by the Head of Planning Policy and Economic Development as soon as possible, for its review, challenge and approval for submission to the Inspector, subject to any amendments deemed appropriate and necessary by the committee.</p> <p>If, as expected, amendments result from the review, revised versions of COUD_020 and COUD_021 will be submitted to the Inspector, together with a covering letter explaining the need for the changes and setting out the proposed next steps to progress the Local Plan in a timely manner. A draft covering letter will therefore also be presented to LPPC by the Head of Planning Policy and Economic Development, at the same meeting, for review and approval.</p> <p>4) The committee will, prior to submission of the specific documents</p>

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		<p>required by the Inspector in her letter of 12 February 2026:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Having considered the updated content of COUD_020 and COUD_021 resulting from item 3, above, the LPPC will determine and agree which additional urban and Green Belt sites, if any, the council intends to recommend for inclusion in the Local Plan. These decisions will be made with full consideration of, and alignment with, the council’s overarching strategy and objectives for the Local Plan. ii. Direct officers to prepare revised versions of the following documents in accordance with the decision made in i), above: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Housing trajectory and 5-year supply position a. Sustainability Appraisal a. Habitats Regulations Assessment a. Transport Assessment a. Infrastructure Delivery Plan a. Any other documents required to be updated to take into account the council’s conclusions on which urban and Green Belt sites they propose to allocate within the Local Plan

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		<p align="center"> iii. Review the revised documents prepared under ii), above, and approve submission versions. </p> <p align="center"> iv. For items ii) a), b) and c), consider and recommend the submission versions of these documents for approval to Full Council. </p> <p> With 4 votes for the recommendation, 5 votes against the recommendation and the Chair not voting the following recommendation was NOT agreed: </p> <p align="center"> 5) To require the Head of Planning Policy and Economic Development, in collaboration with the Chair of LPPC, to determine the number and timing of additional LPPC meetings to be scheduled. These meetings are to enable the thorough and effective review of any and all development plan documents prior to submission to the Inspector or recommendation to Full Council. </p>