

**Minutes of the meeting of
Sidmouth Town Council's Planning Committee
Held at the Council Chamber, Woolcombe House, Sidmouth,
Wednesday 19 September 2018**

Councillors present: Kelvin Dent (Chairman)
Ian Barlow (Vice Chairman)

John Rayson
Jeff Turner
Gareth Jones

Apologies: Ian McKenzie-Edwards
Marc Kilsbie
Dawn Manley
Simon Pollentine

The meeting started at 6.30pm and finished at 7.02pm

184 Declarations of Interest

Name	Item/Number	Type	Action Taken	Details
Councillor Ian Barlow	194 - 18/1497/COU National Westchem, Station Road, Sidmouth EX10 9DN	Personal Interest	Remained in the Chamber during discussion and will vote.	Acquainted with Applicant.
Councillor Kelvin Dent	187 - 18/1892/LBC Beauty Within, Banwell House, Old Fore Street, Sidmouth EX10 8LP	Personal Interest	Remained in the Chamber during discussion and will vote.	Member of Sid Vale Blue Plaque Committee

185 District Council Members

It was formally noted that the participation of those Councillors who are also members of the East Devon District Council in both the debate and subsequent vote is on the basis that the views expressed are preliminary views taking account of the information presently made available to the Town/Parish Council. The District Councillors reserve their final views on the application until they are in full possession of all the relevant arguments for and against.

186 Applications for consideration

Resolved That in respect of the Planning Applications set out below and attached, representations to the manner in which they should be determined, be made known to the East Devon District Council in accordance with schedule 16 of the Local Government Act 1972.

Applications for consideration

187	18/1892/LBC East Ward	Mrs Eunice Bagwell	Beauty Within, Banwell House, Old Fore Street, Sidmouth EX10 8LP Installation of wall mounted Blue Plaque.
	SUPPORT subject to the report of the Conservation Officer		
188	18/2015/FUL Salcombe Regis Ward	Mr & Mrs Hill	Wellow, Sidcliffe, Sidmouth EX10 9QA Construction of front extension to provide bay window.
	SUPPORT		
189	18/2083/FUL Salcombe Regis Ward	Mr Carlo Bove	Slade House Farm, Donkey Sanctuary, Mire Lane, Salcombe Regis EX10 ONU Proposed alterations to former Sanctuary Shop to form exhibition space.
	SUPPORT		
190	18/2084/LBC Salcombe Regis Ward	Mr Carlo Bove	Slade House Farm, Donkey Sanctuary, Mire Lane, Salcombe Regis EX10 ONU Proposed alterations to former Sanctuary Shop to form exhibition space.
	SUPPORT subject to the report of the Conservation Officer		
191	18/2050/FUL Sidford Ward	Mr & Mrs Vosper	4 Packhorse Close, Sidford EX10 9RR Construction of single storey front extension and new garage roof.
	SUPPORT		
192	18/2093/FUL Sidford Ward	Ms L Ratcliffe	Rivendell, 2 Drakes Avenue, Sidford EX10 9QY Construction of single storey rear extension.
	SUPPORT		
193	18/1420/FUL West Ward	Mr & Mrs Metcalfe	Helere House, 6 Ridgeway Mead, Sidmouth EX10 9DT Erection of fence to road side elevations (removal of existing hedges). (Amended plans).

UNABLE TO SUPPORT

Members did not consider that the amended plans addressed their original concerns and maintained opposed to the erection of a fence for the following reasons:

- The proposed fencing would be overbearing, out of keeping with the character of the area and detrimental to the street scene.
- The proposal would be contrary to the Local Plan (ENS Wildlife, Habitats and Features).

- 194** 18/1497/COU Mr Bob Reynolds National Westchem, Station Road, Sidmouth EX10 9DN
West Ward Change of use of first floor and part of ground floor to holiday accommodation, including the alteration of an existing doorway, creation of new internal staircase and new brick gable end to the east elevation.

UNABLE TO SUPPORT

Members could not support the change of use to a holiday accommodation for the following reasons:

- The application location is wholly inappropriate for holiday accommodation being sited on/next to an industrial estate and is therefore contrary to Strategy 33 of the East Devon Local Plan - Promotion of Tourism in East Devon.
- The proposal for holiday accommodation in an important light industrial estate/employment zone is likely to cause conflict with holiday visitors resulting in complaints and conflict with the operation of those already established businesses. This would be contrary to Strategy 32 of the East Devon Local Plan - Employment, Retail and Community Sites and Buildings

- 195** 18/1733/FUL Ms Clare Beer 84 Winslade Road, Sidmouth, EX10 9EZ
West Ward Conversion of bungalow to two dwellings including addition of front and rear dormer windows and new pedestrian access. (Amended plans).

UNABLE TO SUPPORT

Members did not consider that the amended plans addressed their original concerns and maintained their view that:

- The proposed design would be over development for the size of the area.
- The proposed design of the dormer windows at the rear would adversely impact on the neighbouring property due to overlooking.

196 Tree Applications for Decision

- a)** 18/1617/TRE Mr Rob Scholefield Street Record, Howarth Close, Sidmouth
North Ward 1i - Ash and Maple. The trees are in terminal decline. Have been historically pruned but are not responding favourably. We are seeking to coppice the moribund Field Maple and all mature Ash trees in the group to allow the younger and healthy Ash and Maple growing in the bank to succeed these declining trees. 1x Field maple to be replaced with new tree at 14-16 girth.

WITHDRAWN – Application not required

- b)** 18/1829/TRE Mr Manford 28 Livonia Road, Sidmouth EX10 9JB
Primley Ward T1, oak: reduce die-back to main pollard points at approximately 50 feet.

APPROVED subject to the conditions recommended by the Arboricultural Officer

- c) 18/1726/TRE Mrs Woodward 9 Corefields, Sidford EX10 9SG
Sidford Ward TPO 85/0041 - T1 Ash & T2 Oak - Thin crown leaf area by 10%. Raise crown by 4 metres by removing epicormic growth.

Works to T1 the Ash are APPROVED subject to the conditions recommended by the Arboricultural Officer

Works to T2 the Oak are REFUSED for the following reasons:

Reasoning - The Oak is a healthy tree with a lot of growing potential, the works will reduce the amenity of the tree, yet increase the growth rate, the works have not been fully justified, and with the future possible loss of T1 the works are inappropriate

- d) 18/1761/TRE Mrs Tara Greifenberg Audley Cottage, All Saints Road, Sidmouth EX10 8EX
South Ward Fell – Leylandii and replace with a couple of apple trees or copper beech.

APPROVED subject to the conditions recommended by the Arboricultural Officer

- e) 18/1764/TRE Mr R MacDonald Carolcrest, Bickwell Valley, Sidmouth, EX10 8SQ
South Ward T1 Ginkgo - Thin by 20%, to allow ongoing good management.

APPROVED subject to the conditions recommended by the Arboricultural Officer

197 Prior notification of proposed works to trees in a Conservation Area (Section 211 Notice)

- a) 18/1824/TCA The Laurels, 1 Sidlands, Sidmouth EX10 8UE
South Ward Sidmouth T47C Cypress – cut back 1.5 max cut diameter 30mm.

WORKS NOTED

198 Unsupported Decisions

18/09/22/FUL Amelance, Sidcliffe, Sidmouth EX10 9QA - Retention of detached garage (amended design to 17/0559/FUL)

Town Council
Unable to Support

District Council
Approved

18/1017/FUL The Lodge, Ice House Lane, Sidmouth EX10 9DS – Conversion of existing roof space into additional accommodation.

Town Council
Split decision

District Council
Approved

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CHAIRMAN OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE