

**Minutes of the meeting of  
Sidmouth Town Council's Planning Committee  
Held at the Council Chamber, Woolcombe House, Sidmouth,  
Wednesday 21st January 2015**

Councillors present:- John Dyson (Chairman)  
David Addis  
Ian Barlow  
Jack Brokenshire  
Kelvin Dent  
John Hollick  
Ann Liverton  
Graham Liverton  
Ian McKenzie-Edwards  
Simon Pollentine  
Jeff Turner

Apologies David Barratt  
Mary Jolly  
Dawn Manley

The meeting started at 6.30pm and finished at 8.30 pm.

In the absence of the Vice-Chairman, Councillor Kelvin Dent was elected as Vice-Chairman for the meeting.

**PART 'A'**

**296 Declarations of Interest**

Declarations of Interest were received as follows:-

Name	Item Number	Type	Action Taken	Details
Cllr John Hollick	14/2963/FUL 1 Fairlawn Court, Sidmouth, EX10 8UR	Personal Interest	Remained in the Chamber during discussion and voting.	Acquainted with applicant.
Cllr Ian Barlow	14/2977/TCA School House, Salcombe Regis, Sidmouth, EX10 0JQ	Personal Interest	Remained in the Chamber during discussion and voting	Acquainted with applicant.

Cllr Ian Barlow	14/2978/TCA Greystones (South of) Salcombe Regis, Sidmouth, EX10 0JQ	Personal Interest	Remained in the Chamber during discussion and voting.	Acquainted with applicant.
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**297 Minutes**

The Chairman signed as a true and accurate record the Minutes of the Planning Committee meetings held on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December and 17<sup>th</sup> December 2014.

**298 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.

**299 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.

**300 Exclusion of the Public**

**Resolved:** that the classification given to the documents to be submitted to the Council, be confirmed, and that the reports relating to exempt information, be dealt with under Part B.

**301 Matters of Report**

The Planning Clerk reported that a notice of intention to install electronic communications apparatus pursuant to the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development Order) 1995 (as amended) and the Electronic Communications Code (Conditions and Regulations) 2003 (as amended) at:

Coreway, S/O Pippins, Coreway, Sidford, Sidmouth, EX10 9SD.

Alexandria Road, O/S 2a Alexandria Road, Sidmouth, EX10 9HB.

Salcombe Hill, S/O Combe Head, Salcombe Regis, Sidmouth, EX10 0JL.

**Applications for consideration**

**302** 14/3024/FUL MR C LODGE LIBRA COURT,  
*East Ward* FORE STREET,  
SIDMOUTH,  
EX10 8SH.  
Formation of new pedestrian access and  
reconfiguration of shop including new shop  
window.

Support

**303** 15/0024/LBC MISS ANN DOWNING FLAT 1, GRENVILLE HOUSE,  
*East Ward* OLD FORE STREET,  
SIDMOUTH,  
EX10 8LP.  
Replacement roof.

Support subject to the agreement of the Conservation Officer.

**304** 14/2902/FUL MR PETER BLOOMFIELD SHERBROOKE,  
*Primley Ward* 87 SIDFORD ROAD,  
SIDMOUTH,  
EX10 9NJ.  
Two storey and single storey extensions and  
associated works to form extended drive, retaining  
walls and patio area.  
*Amended plans received. Amendments relate to  
additional elevation plan received.*

Support

**305** 14/3036/FUL MR & MRS WARD AMBERLEIGH,  
*Salcombe Regis* BEATLANDS ROAD,  
*Ward* SIDMOUTH,  
EX10 8JH.  
Construction of car port.

Support

**306** 14/3029/LBC MRS SAMANTHA FOX HATWAY COTTAGE,  
*Sidbury Ward* SIDBURY,  
 SIDMOUTH,  
 EX10 0QR.  
 Replacement two storey extension to dwelling.

Deferred

**307** 15/0065/FUL CROWPITS SOLAR PARK LAND AT AND SOUTH OF CROWPITS,  
*Sidbury Ward* LTD COVERT PUTTS CORNER,  
 SIDBURY.  
 Installation of point of connection cable route associated with solar photovoltaic park (subject of planning application 14/2423/FUL).

Members were unable to support the application for the following reasons:

Members considered that the apparatus was unnecessary in the light of their objections to the solar photovoltaic park associated with it which is the subject of planning application 14/2423/FUL which is still under consideration.

**308** 14/2963/FUL MR & MRS MARTIN 1 FAIRLAWN COURT,  
*South Ward* SIDMOUTH,  
 EX10 8UR.  
 Construction of two storey side extension.  
*Amended plans received. Amendments relate to the addition of south elevation to proposals drawing.*

Support

**309** 15/0003/FUL MR & MRS FOXWELL 20 GLEBELANDS,  
*South Ward* SIDMOUTH,  
 EX10 8UD.  
 Alterations and bathroom extension on east elevation; loft conversion including raising of roof ridge height and dormer windows on east and south elevations (revisions to planning permission 13/2517/FUL).

Support provided the glass in the windows on the east elevation were of obscure glazing.  
 Reason: To prevent loss of amenity and privacy to the neighbouring property.  
 (1 letter of objection was received)

**310 Tree Application for Decision**

The Town Council is authorised to make a decision on the following tree application.

15/0026/TRE <i>East Ward</i>	MR I DAVIES	MAGNOLIA COTTAGE, COBURG ROAD, SIDMOUTH, EX10 8NF. T1, Magnolia: Fell
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This application was withdrawn from the Agenda.

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

The Town Council has been given the required notification of the following tree works and may comment accordingly.

a)	14/2977/TCA <i>Salcombe Regis Ward</i>	MR MIKE NEWMAN	SCHOOL HOUSE, SALCOMBE REGIS, SIDMOUTH, EX10 0JQ. G1, comprised of two Holly trees beside School House: Fell to coppice stools. <i>Amended specification – G1, comprised of two Holly trees beside School House: Fell to coppice stools.</i>
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Works noted

b)	14/2978/TCA <i>Salcombe Regis Ward</i>	MR MIKE NEWMAN	GREYSTONES (SOUTH OF) SALCOMBE REGIS, SIDMOUTH, EX10 0JQ. T1 Eucalyptus – Fell. T2 Yew: Crown raise to one even height, based on 2 metres clearance over path. T3 Holly: Reduce 2 declining stems from western side, to healthy growth at 2 metres above ground level.
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Works noted

c)	14/2823/TCA <i>South Ward</i>	HILLSDON MANAGEMENT	CEDAR SHADE, ALL SAINTS ROAD, SIDMOUTH, EX10 8EU. T1 and T2 – Holm Oaks – Crown Reduction – Reduce spread/height by up to two metres maximum cut
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diameter 100mm. Existing crown spread by approximately 5 metres. Existing height approximately 10 metres.

*Amended specification*

*T1. Pittosporum: Formative prune to balance crown from (max dia. cut 25mm) following reduction of the Holm Oak (T2).*

*T2. Holm Oak (twin stem): Crown reduction by up to 2 metres retaining a tree height of 9 metres and a crown radius of between 3.5 to 5 metres.*

Works noted

- d)** 14/3015/TCA MR J GREENLESS OLD ORCHARD,  
*South Ward* BICKWELL VALLEY,  
SIDMOUTH,  
EX10 8SG.  
T1, Oak: Pollard at approximately 6 metres above ground level.

This application was withdrawn from the Agenda

- e)** 14/3016/TCA MR J GREENLESS BICKWELL GRANGE,  
*South Ward* BICKWELL VALLEY,  
SIDMOUTH, EX10 8SG.  
T1, Eucalyptus: Fell

This application was withdrawn from the Agenda

- f)** 15/0071/TCA MR C BULL BICKWELL COTTAGE,  
*South Ward* BICKWELL VALLEY,  
SIDMOUTH,  
EXD10 8SQ.  
T1, Cherry: Crown reduction by 2 metres (50mm diameter pruning cuts), T2, Holly: Fell, T3, Willow: Formative pruning (20mm diameter pruning cuts), T4, Myrtle: Prune to shape crown (15mm diameter pruning cuts), T5, Mimosa: Crown reduction by 2 metres (90mm diameter pruning cuts), T6, Magnolia: Crown reduction by 1.5 metres, formative prune and clear BT lines (50mm diameter pruning cuts), T7, Strawberry tree: Formative prune back to a height of 2 metres (20mm diameter pruning cuts).

This application was withdrawn from the Agenda.

**312 Proposal for the widening of the existing path to 2.5m between Lymebourne Park and Arcot Road, and to 3m through Long Park recreation ground, to form new cycle link at land between Lymebourne Park and Arcot Road, Sidmouth and land at Long Park, Sidmouth. Reference RT/DCC/3728/2015**

Devon County Council (Highways) have applied for planning permission to widen the existing path to 2.5m between Lymebourne Park and Arcot Road, and to 3m through Long Park recreation ground to form new cycle link.

Support

Councillor Graham Liverton requested that his vote against the proposal to support be recorded.

**313 Tree Exemption Reports**

No Tree Exemption letters were received.

**314 Unsupported Decisions**

No unsupported decisions were received.

**315 Appeals**

No Appeals were received.

**316 Enforcement Letters**

Brookview, Harcombe Lane, Sidford, Sidmouth, EX10 9QN.  
Commercial signage fixed to wall by the shared driveway.

The Planning Clerk reported a letter from East Devon District Council regarding the placing of an advertisement on the front wall of the property at Brookview, Harcombe Lane, Sidford, Sidmouth, EX10 9QN.

This type of advertisement required advertisement consent under the Town and Country Planning Act Control of Advertisement Regulations 2007 because it was not attached to a commercial property.

In the circumstances there were two options available:

1. Remove the advertising board within 14 days of receipt of the letter.
2. Apply for advertisement consent to retain the advertisement.

Pizza Pronto, 3 Radway Place, Sidmouth, EX10 8PY

Erection of new flashing neon sign inside building to front of property.

The Planning Clerk reported a letter from East Devon District Council regarding the placing of a flashing neon opening sign in the front window at Pizza Pronto, 3 Radway Place, Sidmouth, EX10 8PY.

This type of sign required advertisement consent under the terms of the Town and Country Planning Act Control of Advertisements Regulations 2007 because advertisements displayed inside a building must not be illuminated or displayed within one metre of any window or other external opening through which they can be seen from outside the building.

In the circumstances there were two options available:

1. Remove the sign.
2. Apply for advertisement consent.

**317 Exclusion Of The Public And Press**

**RESOLVED:** That under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 the public (including the press) be excluded from the meeting due to the confidential nature of its contents.

**PART 'B'**

**318 Unauthorised Advertisement – York Street, Sidmouth**

The Planning Clerk reported that an email had been received from East Devon District Council regarding an unauthorised advertisement in York Street Sidmouth. Despite the local planning authority advising the tenant that the sign either had to be removed or advertisement consent applied for, the advertisement remained in place and no application for advertisement consent had been received.

Sidmouth Town Council was asked whether it would support prosecution and the financial cost that this may occur.

**RESOLVED:**

Members unanimously agreed to support the local planning authority with prosecution and the costs this may incur to that authority.

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**CHAIRMAN OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE**