

**Minutes of the meeting of
Sidmouth Town Council's Planning Committee
Held at the Council Chamber, Woolcombe House, Sidmouth,
Wednesday 7th October 2015**

Councillors present:- John Dyson (Chairman)
Ian Barlow (Vice-Chairman)
Jack Brokenshire
Kelvin Dent
Michael Earthy
Ian McKenzie-Edwards
John Rayson
Simon Pollentine
Jeff Turner

Apologies:- David Addis
Stuart Hughes
Marc Kilsbie
Dawn Manley

The meeting started at 6.30pm and finished at 7.20pm.

231 Declarations of Interest

Name	Item Number	Type	Action Taken	Details
Cllr John Dyson	15/2183/FUL Salcombe Regis Camping and Caravan Park, Salcombe Regis, Sidmouth, EX10 OJH	Personal Interest	Remained in the Chamber during discussion and voting.	Applicant is a donor to the Sidmouth Hopper Bus.

232 Minutes

The Minutes of the Planning Committee meetings held on Wednesday 26th August, 9th September and 23rd September 2015 were signed as a true and accurate record.

233 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.

234 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.

Urgent Items

Tree Application for Decision

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

235	15/1730/TRE South Ward	MR P CAMPBELL	BALFOUR LODGE, STATION ROAD, SIDMOUTH, EX10 8XL. T1, Beech: 30% Crown thin, crown lift to 5.4m above ground level and crown reduction to retain a tree with a height of approx. 20-25m with a crown radius of approx. 7m (current height 25-30m, current crown radius 9m).
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SPLIT DECISION (a part of the application has been refused and a part approved)

The Council hereby GRANTS permission to carry out work described below subject to the following conditions:

T1, Beech: Crown lift up to a maximum of 5.4m above ground level.

1. Pruning works shall be carried out in accordance with the following restrictions:
(i) Crown lifting to a maximum of 5.4 metres above ground level with pruning cuts not exceeding 50mm in diameter.
(Reason - In the interests of amenity and to ensure the works are carried out in a satisfactory manner.)
2. The works hereby consented to shall be carried out within a period of 2 years from the date of this decision notice.
(Reason - To ensure that the works are carried out within a reasonable period of time.)
3. The works hereby consented to shall be carried out in accordance with British Standard 3998: 2010 (Tree Work - Recommendations).
(Reason - In the interests of amenity and to ensure the works are carried out in a satisfactory manner.)

The Council hereby REFUSES permission to carry out work described below for the following reasons:

T1, Beech: 30% Crown thin and crown reduction to retain a tree with a height of approx. 20-25m with a crown radius of approx. 7m (current height 25-30m, current crown radius 9m).

1. The tree makes a positive contribution to the amenity of the area. The refused works would be detrimental to both the physiological condition and amenity value of the tree. Crown lifting has been allowed, which will to a degree increase ambient light levels around the tree and clear the access road under the trees crown.

Applications for consideration

236	15/2163/ADV <i>East Ward</i>	RBS	52 – 58 HIGH STREET, SIDMOUTH, EX10 8LJ. 1 no fascia with 1no Nat West brand lettering and logo, 1 no vinyl entrance sign, 1no projecting sign and 1 no internally illuminated ATM sign.
	Approved		
237	15/2181/FUL <i>North Ward</i>	MRS NICOLE SEXTON	38 SAMPSON CLOSE, SIDMOUTH, EX10 9FD. Conservatory on rear elevation.
	Support		
238	15/2155/FUL <i>Salcombe Regis Ward</i>	MR AND MRS J HORN	HIGHER THORN BARN, SALCOMBE REGIS, SIDMOUTH, EX10 0PA. Installation of solar panels on Higher Thorn Barn (holiday let).
	Support		
239	15/2156/LBC <i>Salcombe Regis Ward</i>	MR AND MRS J HORN	HIGHER THORN BARN, SALCOMBE REGIS, SIDMOUTH, EX10 0PA. Installation of solar panels on curtilage outbuilding (Higher Thorn Barn).

Support subject to the agreement of the Conservation Officer.

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| 240 | 15/2183/FUL
<i>Salcombe Regis
Ward</i> | MR MARK LANGDOWN | SALCOMBE REGIS CAMPING AND CARAVAN PARK,
SALCOMBE REGIS,
SIDMOUTH,
EX10 0JH.
Construction of two storey extension on east
elevation and increase of existing roof height
(resubmission of 15/1334/FUL with reduced eaves
and ridge height and difference facing materials). |
| | Support | | |
| 241 | 15/2189/FUL
<i>Sidford Ward</i> | MR M CALDWELL | 19 WINDSOR MEAD,
SIDFORD,
SIDMOUTH,
EX10 9SJ.
Construction of extensions to front and rear
elevations to provide additional bedroom, including
balcony, and single storey rear extension. |
| | Support | | |
| 242 | 15/2023/LBC
<i>South Ward</i> | DR PETER FUNG | GARDEN FLAT,
8 FORTFIELD TERRACE,
SIDMOUTH,
EX10 8NT.
Work to boundary walls and ground treatment to
the rear of the property including the removal of
the existing timber gate and replacement with a
wrought/cast iron replacement gate and the
removal of a timber shed. |
| | Support subject to the agreement of the Conservation Officer. | | |
| 243 | 15/2117/FUL
<i>South Ward</i> | DR PETER FUNG | GARDEN FLAT,
8 FORTFIELD TERRACE,
SIDMOUTH,
EX10 8NT.
Works to boundary walls and ground treatment to
the rear of the property including the removal of
the existing timber gate with a wrought/cast iron
replacement gate and the removal of a timber shed. |
| | Support | | |

244 Tree Exemption Reports

No Tree Exemptions works were reported.

245 Unsupported Decisions

Planning Application 15/0977/FUL

15 Fleming Avenue, Sidmouth, EX10 9NZ.

Proposed construction of boundary fence.

Town Council

District Council

Unable to support

Granted

246 Appeals

No Appeals were reported.

247 Enforcement Letters

Voggis Hill Farm, Harcombe, Sidmouth, EX10 0PR

Carrying out an engineering operation

The Planning Clerk reported a letter from East Devon District Council regarding the engineering operation currently being carried out at Voggis Hill Farm, Harcombe, Sidmouth, EX10 0PR.

This development requires planning permission under the terms of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 because the works are in planning terms an engineering operation and therefore require the submission of a formal planning application.

In the circumstances there were two options available :

1. Cease the engineering operation and return the land to its original use.
2. Apply retrospectively for planning permission to retain the development.

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CHAIRMAN OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE