

Sidmouth Town Council's Planning Working Group
held on Wednesday 5 October 2022
(The Working Group met virtually)

Councillors present: Kelvin Dent (Chair)
Jeff Turner (Vice Chair)
Deirdre Hounsom
Ian Barlow
Rachel Perram
Chris Lockyear
Jenny Ware
John Loudoun
Steven Kendall-Torry

The meeting started at 10.00 am and finished at 11.50am

176 Declarations of Interest

Name	Application	Type of Interest	Action Taken	Nature of Interest
Cllr John Loudoun	22/2063/MOUT Alexandria Industrial Estate, Station Road, Sidmouth.	Professional Interest	Remained in the meeting during discussion and did not vote.	personal interest
Cllr Chris Lockyear	22/1449/FUL- 22/1450/LBC Sidholme Hotel, Elysian Fields, Sidmouth, EX10 8UJ.	Personal Interest	Remained in the meeting during discussion and did not vote.	Acquainted with the applicant.
Cllr Chris Lockyear	22/1956/TCA Bickwell House, Stadway Meadow, Sidmouth, EX10 8TB.	Personal Interest	Remained in the meeting during discussion and did not vote.	Is the applicant.
Cllr Ware	22/2063/MOUT Alexandria Industrial Estate, Station Road, Sidmouth.	Personal Interest	Remained in the meeting during discussion and did not vote.	Son has a unit which is part of the application.
Cllr Ian Barlow	22/2071/ADV Sidford Branch Surgery, Church Street, Sidford, Devon, EX10 9RL.	Personal Interest	Remained in the meeting during discussion and did not vote.	Trustee for the applicant.
Cllr Steven Kendal - Torry	22/2063/MOUT Alexandria Industrial Estate, Station Road, Sidmouth.	Personal Interest	Remained in the meeting during discussion and did not vote.	Applicant is a family member

177 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.

178 Minutes

Agreed and delegated to the Chair of the Planning Committee to sign as a true and accurate record, the Minutes of the Planning Working Group meeting of 21 September 2022.

179 Applications for consideration

RECOMMENDED: That in respect of the Planning Applications set out below, representations to the manner in which they should be determined, be made known to the East Devon District Council in accordance minute 230 of Council, 19 April 2021 and with schedule 16 of the Local Government Act 1972.

Urgent items or Amended Plans received after formulation of the agenda. None

- 180** 22/1327/FUL c/o Bupa 1-2 Mill Street, Sidmouth, Devon, EX10 8DF. Installation of 5no. air conditioning units on rear elevation and wooden structure accommodating dental aspirator (retrospective).
East Ward

SUPPORT- subject to the views of the Environmental Health Officer and Members recommended a time restriction on the use of the units.

- 181** 22/2034/ADV Mrs Nina Joules, Market Place, Sidmouth, Devon, EX10 8AR. Repainting and update of strapline text of 3no. existing fascia signs, replacement of 2no. existing projecting signs and brackets with new ones and redecoration front and side elevations.
East Ward Boyce

APPROVED

- 182** 22/1449/FUL Mr Ali Rad Sidholme Hotel, Elysian Fields, Sidmouth, EX10 8UJ. Proposed conversion of existing garage to form 4 new Townhouses and associated parking, including change of use from Hotel C1 to Residential C3.
South Ward

UNABLE TO SUPPORT

- Although the amended plans were considered to be an improvement, they were still thought to be a poor design. The main accesses to the properties via steps at the rear were not suitable for people with disabilities and the steps and windows at the rear would affect the privacy of properties in Cranford. Although the garages were part of the listed hotel, Members felt that they had no architectural or historic interest and it would be better to demolish the garages and construct specifically designed townhouses in their place.

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184 22/2071/ADV Sidmouth Sidford Branch Surgery, Church Street, Sidford, Devon, EX10 9RL.
Sidford Ward Hospice at home Installation of 2 x illuminated fascia signs and 1x non illuminated fascia sign.

APPROVE

185 22/2063/MO Messrs Ford Alexandria Industrial Estate, Station Road, Sidmouth. Outline
UT West (OG application with some matters reserved for Phase 1, including
Ward Holdings highway access, layout and landscape, and scale and appearance for
Retirement Block A and Block C, and for Phase 2, access, layout, and landscape
Benefit only, creating a total additional business space of 1,701 sqm.
Scheme)

DEFERRED – Site visit to be arranged

187 Trees in Conservation Areas

To note the following proposed works to trees in a Conservation Area: None received

a) 22/1890/TCA Mr Martin Long Dene, Bickwell Valley, Sidmouth, EX10 8SQ. T1, Beech Tree:
South Ward Mallinson Crown Lift as follows - Prune back the following branches to the
main trunk 1st order branch on north side (approx. 100mm
diameter) 1st order branch on east side (approx. 50mm diameter)
1st order branch on west side (approx. 40mm diameter) and
branch above on west side (approx. 50mm diameter).

NOTED

b) 22/1956/TCA Mr Chris Bickwell House, Stadway Meadow, Sidmouth, EX10 8TB. Ash Tree
South Ward Lockyear on NE boundary of property - tree suffering from Ash Dieback – Fell
Oak tree on NW boundary of property - fell dead stem.

DEFERRED awaiting a report from the Arboricultural Officer.

c) 22/2009/TCA Ms Julia Salcombe Regis House, Salcombe Regis, EX10 0JH. Ash Tree:
Salcombe Rochester Pollard by 50%: located in the northeastern corner boundary. It
Regis Ward shows signs of ash die-back and its location is not accessible by
machinery, so the tree will need to be climbed and tree surgeons
advise reduction of tree necessary before disease advances
further.

NOTED

188 Tree with Preservation Orders

Notification of any applications to trees covered by Tree Preservation Orders.

- a) 22/1684/TRE Mr David Glengoye House, Glen Road, Sidmouth, Devon, EX10 8RW. T1.
South Ward Crowe Pine tree. Prune branches to suitable growth points to achieve a
2.5 to 3m clearance from adjacent property (Glen Close House) as
branches are now touching the building. All works to be conform
to BS3998.

GRANTED subject to conditions as recommended by the Arboricultural Officer

189 New Tree Preservation Order

None received

190 Exemption to a Tree Preservation Order

22/2194/PRETDD - 19/0102/TPO The Orchard, Windsor Mead, Sidford, Sidmouth EX10 9SJ

191 Appeals

None received.

192 Unsupported decisions

22/0922/FUL Brooklet Cottage Hillside Road Sidmouth EX10 8JA.

Sidmouth Town Council
Unable to support

EDDC
Approved

193 Enforcement Letters

No Enforcement letters were received.

194 Local Plan. A short update given by Cllr Loudoun.

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CHAIR OF THE PLANNING WORKING GROUP