# Sidmouth Town Council's Planning Working Group held on Wednesday 21 September 2022

(The Working Group met virtually)

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

Apologies: Kelvin Dent (Chair)

The meeting started at 10.00 am and finished at 10.45am

# 176 Declarations of Interest

Name	Application	Type of Interest	Action Taken	Nature of Interest
Cllr Jeff Turner,	22/1007/FUL 9 Newlands Close, Sidmouth, EX10 9NW.	Personal Interest	Remained in the meeting during discussion and did vote.	The application is a neighbour.
Cllr Chris Lockyear	22/0090/TRE 2 Bennetts Hill, Sidmouth, EX10 9XH.	Personal Interest	Remained in the meeting during discussion and did not vote.	Acquainted to the applicant.

# 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 7 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.

Planning Committee 21 September 202218022/1739/LBCDuncan1 Amyatts Terrace, Sidmouth, EX10 8PE.Removal of a section of<br/>internal wall and raising and replacement of rear 'lean to' roof with<br/>roof lights and glazed gable end.

SUPPORT subject to the views of the Conservation Officer.

18122/1738/FULDuncan1 Amyatts Terrace, Sidmouth, Devon, EX10 8PE.Removal of aEast WardAustinsection of internal wall and raising and replacement of rear 'lean to'<br/>roof with roof lights and glazed gable end

### SUPPORT

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 22/1811/LBC
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 Aurora, Barton Close, Sidmouth, Devon, EX10 8NL. Removal of dangerous brickwork skin to main facade and install new, Hancock/J

 Hancock/J
 together with reinstatement of balconettes and apron canopies. Abbot

SUPPORT subject to the views of the Conservation Officer.

18322/1007/FULMr Gareth9 Newlands Close, Sidmouth, EX10 9NW. Conversion of the<br/>existing attached single garage into a bedroom/en-suite for holiday<br/>let purposes

# UNABLE TO SUPPORT

- Members considered that this was a residential area and having a holiday let would be out of keeping and would lead to a loss of amenity to the neighboring properties.
- Members also thought that the proposal would lead to a possible increase in parking problems.
- 184 22/1988/FUL Mrs Beechdene, Hillside Road, Sidmouth, EX10 8JF. Single storey rear
   Salcombe Howcroft extension.
   Regis Ward
   SUPPORT
- 185 22/1933/FUL Cottington Cottington Court, Sidmouth, EX10 8HD. Replacement of existing South Ward Court balcony balustrade with new. Freehold Ltd (Mr Pollard)

# SUPPORT

18622/1924/FULMr & MrsSilverdale, Bickwell Valley, Sidmouth, EX10 8SG. Single storey side<br/>extension with associated alterations and erection of a detached<br/>double garage with home office above.

SUPPORT Members would like to see a legal tie to the main building.

#### **187** Trees in Conservation Areas

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

a)	22/1804/TCA	Mr Martin	20 Temple Street, Sidmouth, Devon, EX10 9AY. T1, Ash: To re-	
		Johnstone	pollard to historic pruning points approximately 2.5 m. above	
			ground level. T2, Sycamore: To re-pollard to historic pruning points	
			approximately 2.5 m. above ground level. T3, Ash: To coppice this	
			tree approximately 1 m. above ground level. T4, Sycamore: To re-	
			pollard to historic pruning points approximately 2.5 m. above	
			ground level. T5, Ash: To crown reduce by approximately 10%	
			crown lifting to approximately 1.5 metres above the neighbouring	
			properties and outbuildings and removing all significant deadwood	
			from within the crown of this tree making maximum diameter	
			pruning cuts of 25 mm. and removing branch lengths of up to	
			0.5m.	
	CRANTED subject to conditions as recommended by the Arbericultural Officer			

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**GRANTED** subject to conditions as recommended by the Arboricultural Officer.

 b) 22/1792/TCA Dr Duncan Clover Cottage, Boughmore Road, Sidmouth, EX10 8SJ. T1, Hall Japanese Maple: reduce the canopy spread towards the house by 2.0m, with maximum diameter cuts of 65mm, to address the crown bias and begin re-forming the architecture of the crown.

**GRANTED** subject to conditions as recommended by the Arboricultural Officer.

# 188 Tree with Preservation Orders

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

a)	22/0090/TRE	Kim	2 Bennetts Hill, Sidmouth, EX10 9XH. Oak tree: 2-3 metre
		Goonesekera	reduction on lateral limbs on south side of the tree overhanging
			the front side of the property - 2 Bennetts Hill, Sidmouth due to
			excessive shading within the house.

#### NOTED

b) 22/1707/TRE Mr & Mrs Bickwell Lodge, Bickwell Valley, Sidmouth, Devon, EX10 8RF. T2, Mulder Western Red Cedar: To reduce weight on the lowest primary limb to the southern aspect via the reduction of the two extended secondary limbs back to upright growth points, pruning cuts of up to 100mm diameter. To reduce weight and balance crown. T3, Birch: To crown lift via removal of the lowest primary limb, pruning cut of 60mm diameter. To balance crown and improve light levels below. T4, Western Red Cedar: To reduce extended limb on the northern aspect growing toward adjacent Birch, removing branch end of approx 4 metres, 75mm pruning cut diameter. To remove extended primary limb interfering with overhead lines to the western aspect back to branch collar, pruning cut diameter of 150mm. To improve the aesthetic of the tree and remove risk of failure of limb interfering with the overhead line and to separate crowns of WRC and Birch. T5, Western Red Cedar: To reduce extended upright limbs on

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#### NOTED

- 189 New Tree Preservation Order None received
- **190 Exemption to a Tree Preservation Order** None received.
- **191** Appeals None received.
- **192 Unsupported decisions** None received.

### **193** Enforcement Letters No Enforcement letters were received.

**194 Local Plan.** Update given by Cllr Loudoun. There had been a meeting to discuss Sidmouth 2 weeks before which he had attended and there was a meeting to discuss Sidbury on 22 October which he would also be attending. Cllr Loudoun commented that he would be raising the

infrastructure issue at each meeting where possible.

CHAIR OF THE PLANNING WORKING GROUP