Sidmouth Town Council's Planning Working Group held on Wednesday 8 May 2024

(The Working Group met virtually)

Councillors present:	Kelvin Dent (Chair) Bernie Davis John Loudoun John Nicholson Rachel Perram
Apologies:	Cllr Chris Lockyear Cllr Ian Barlow

The meeting started at 10.00am and finished at 11.00am

884 Declarations of Interest

No declarations of interest were made.

885 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.

886 Minutes

Members agreed that delegated authority be given to the Chair of the Planning Working Group to sign as a true and accurate record the Minutes of the Planning Working Group meeting of 24 April 2024.

887 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.

888	24/0823/FUL East Ward	Naomi Cook	Sidmouth Lifeboat Sation, The Esplanade, Sidmouth, EX10 8BE. Extension and alterations to existing lifeboat station.
	SUPPORT		
889	24/0715/LBC East Ward	Mrs Barbara Oakes	Sidmouth YMCA, Mill Street, Sidmouth, Devon, EX10 8DF. Replace 1no. window (W1) on east elevation; replace 4no. windows (W2, W3,W7 & W8) on east elevation; replace 6no. windows (W4, W5, W6, W9, W10 & W11) on south elevation; replace mechanical ventilation in gents, ladies and kitchen and install 4no. through wall vents beneath windows to below floor void on east and south elevation.

890	24/0830/FUL Primley Ward	Mrs Chris Shepherd	Planning Committee 8 May 2024 12 Manstone Mead, Sidmouth, Devon, EX10 9RX. Construction of a single storey extension to the front N/W elevation of the property.
	NO OBJECTIONS		
891	24/0664/FUL	Mrs Chris	28 Harcombe Lane, Sidford, EX10 9QN.
	Sidford Ward	Sleigh	Demolition of existing garage and conservatory. Erection of single storey side extension and new entrance porch.
	NO OBJECTIONS		
892	24/0765/LBC	Mr and Mrs	Spring Cottage, Cotmaton Road, Sidmouth, EX10 8EY.
	South Ward	Barratt	Create shower room in bedroom at first floor; install 2no. rooflights on south elevation and remove chimney on south elevation.
	NO OBJECTIONS		
893	24/0435/FUL West Ward	Mr Michael Sykes	24 Woolbrook Park, Sidmouth, Devon, EX10 9DU. Proposed dormered loft extension, external works to increase rear patio and parking areas. (Amended).

DO NOT SUPPORT:

The proposed extension would have an adverse impact on the amenities of the adjoining property and would not complement or enhance the local distinctiveness of the character of the immediate locality contrary to Policies 6 and 7 of the Sid valley Neighbourhood Plan.

894 Trees in Conservation Areas

a)	24/0846/TCA East Ward	Spencer Jarrett	Hillsdon House, High Street, Sidmouth, EX10 8LD. G1. Holly and Bay Suggested Works: Reduce eastern crown aspect by 1 metre T1, Sycamore : Suggested works: Reduce eastern crown aspect by 2 metres T2, Beech : suggested works: Reduce north eastern crown aspect by 3 metres T3, Sycamore : suggested works: Reduce eastern crown aspect by 3 metres T4, Oak : Suggested Works: Reduce eastern crown aspect by 2 metres T5, Yew (NB not specified on arboricultural assessment) : Suggested Works: Crown reduce eastern and western spread by up to 2 metres, reduce northern aspect by up to 1 metres, crown lift southern aspect to shape by up to 3 metres T425, Ash : Suggested Works: Crown reduce height and lateral spread of canopy by 1.5 metres, targeting hyper extended branches, prune branches away from floodlight to achieve a minimum of 2 metres of clearance Rationale: Following an arboricultural inspection, these works have been proposed both as part of the reasonable maintenance of the trees and to improve and maintain the amenity and accessibility of the gardens for residents.
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DEFERRED: Awaiting Officers report

895 Trees with preservation order

a) 24/0577/TRE Balfour Manor, Station Road, Sidmouth, EX10 8XW. South Ward G1, Holm Oaks: overhanging Broadway, crown reduce up to 2 metre height reduction and 1-2 metre side prune, (with maximum diameter pruning cuts of 4cm) G2, Laurel: crown lift to 5.2m above ground level and prune back to reduce lateral branches over road. (DR)

APPROVED: subject to the conditions recommended by the Arboricultural Officer.

 b) 24/0472/TRE Tudor House, Connaught Close, Sidmouth, EX10 8TU.Holm oak : South Ward crown reduction of 3m, reducing canopy lateral spread from 11m to 8m; crown lift to 3.5m above ground level above road access. (DR)

APPROVED: subject to the conditions recommended by the Arboricultural Officer.

896 Exemption to a Tree Preservation Order

a)	98/0013/TPO	1 Sidleigh, Sid Road, Sidmouth EX10 9DE.
	Salcombe Regis	Removal of broken hanging branches from 1 Monterey Cypres
	Ward	Removal of broken hanging branches from 1 Monteley cypress.

NOTE

897 Appeals.

None received.

898 Unsupported decisions

a)23/2523/FULMr & MrsNorthcombe Farm, Salcombe Regis, EX10 0JQ.Salcombe RegisEcclesProposed Annexe (conversion of redundant rural building).

STC: SUPPORTED

EDDC: REFUSED

- 899 Enforcement Letters None received.
- 900 Urgent Items None received.
- 901 New Draft Local Plan Update No current update.

CHAIR OF THE PLANNING WORKING GROUP