# Sidmouth Town Council's Planning Working Group held on Wednesday 24 May 2023

(The Working Group met virtually)

Councillors present: Kelvin Dent (Chair)

Bernie Davis Ian Barlow John Loudoun Rachel Perram

Apologies: Chris Lockyear

The meeting started at 10.00am and finished at 11.40am

#### 456 Declarations of Interest

Councillor	23/0894/FUL	Personal	Remained in the meeting	Acquainted with
Ian Barlow	Riverside, Bridge Street,	interest	during discussion and did	the applicant.
	Sidbury, EX10 ORU.		vote.	

#### 457 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.

#### 458 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 3 May 2023.

## 459 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.

**460** North Ward National Grid Transformer Station, Core Hill Road, Sidmouth.

23/0863/FUL Energy Erection of a new switch room building.

Distribution

**SUPPORT:** Members asked that the landscaping scheme offered by the applicants should be formally required and that any redundant buildings or equipment be removed.

**461** 23/0776/FUL Sandra 29 Woolbrook Rise, Sidmouth, Devon, EX10 9UD.

North Ward Jones Single storey rear infill extension.

**SUPPORT** 

462 23/0921/FUL Mr Haste 27 Primley Road, Sidmouth, Devon, EX10 9LD.

Primley Ward Single storey glass canopy to the rear elevation of the property.

**SUPPORT** 

463 23/0931/FUL Mr Paul 15 Yardelands Sidmouth, Devon, EX10 9LJ.

Primley Ward Mesner Proposed single storey rear extension, internal alterations and

conversion of attic space to form bedroom bathroom, with the

addition of one dormer window and two rooflights.

**SUPPORT** 

464 23/1020/FUL Colin 56 Livonia Road, Sidmouth, Devon, EX10 9JB.

Primley McGrory Construction of single storey extension and part garage conversion.

**SUPPORT** 

465 23/0984/FUL Mr V Evans Brownlands, Sid Road, Sidmouth, Devon, EX10 9AG.

Salcombe Proposed front, side and rear alterations and extensions; installation

Regis Ward of new roof dormers.

**DEFERRED:** For site inspection by Members.

466 23/0499/LBC Mrs Sarah St Giles Cottage, Deepway, Sidbury, Sidmouth, EX10 0SA.

Sidbury Allan Replace 1no. window on ground floor front (north east) elevation.

**SUPPORT:** Subject to the views of the Conservation Officers.

467 23/0983/FUL Mrs Land To East Of Riverside Cottage, Harcombe. (Cider Barn, Chelson

Sidbury Beverley Land, Harcombe, EX10 OPR.)

Kembrey Change of use/ conversion of the building to a holiday letting unit

and the change of use of the remainder of the site to form an

associated curtilage area.

**SUPPORT** 

**468** 23/0894/FUL Mr J Voss Riverside, Bridge Street, Sidbury, EX10 ORU.

Sidbury Conversion/partial rebuild of an outbuilding to form a new dwelling.

#### **SUPPORT**

**469** 23/0850/LBC Mr Bourton Bulverton House, Sidmouth, EX10 9DW.

Sidmouth Change of use of the building to 'Long Term Rental'.

West

**SUPPORT:** Subject to the views of the Conservation Officers.

470 22/2239/FUL Identity Gunnersbury, Manor Road, Sidmouth, EX10 8RR.

South Ward protected Single storey side extensions with alteration to fenestration,

conversion of loft space to habitable use to include 2no rear dormers, roof improvement and enlargement of replacement

garage and associated domestic landscaping.

**SUPPORT** 

471 23/0991/FUL Mr Ali Rad Sidholme Hotel, Elysian Fields, Sidmouth, Devon, EX10 8UJ.

South Ward Proposed 4 number new townhouses on site of former garage at

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**SUPPORT** 

**473** Trees in Conservation Areas

a) 23/0998/TCA Mr Stewart 1 The Laurels, Sidmouth, Devon, EX10 8UX.

VINCENT T14: Leylandii - fell.

**DEFERRED**: Awaiting report.

474 Trees with Preservation Orders

23/0893/TRE Mr Roger Long Orchard, Elysian Fields, Sidmouth, EX10 8UH.

a) South Ward Flynn T1, Macrocarpa: remove first and second order branches,

approximately 40 -80mm diameter cuts (snapped limbs from crown). Remedial works to root system beneath the driveway. T2, Chestnut: remove approximately 2m of second and third order branches, diameter cuts of approximately 100mm. T3, Yew

: crown lift and shape (predominantly east side of crown), removing second, third and fourth order branches of 3m, cuts 80mm. T4 & T5, Sweet Chestnuts : mostly remove second, third

and fourth order branches , 4m in length, diameter cuts 200mm.

**DEFERRED:** Awaiting report

b) 23/0952/TRE Ms Sarah Sidford Village Webster

1: Oak - reduce branch growing towards the rear corner of Upper Heights, removing the fourth order branch making 1 cut approx 100mm. T2: group of Beech trees - reduce the crowns of the trees by 2 - 3m, (possibly removing end lengths of 4 - 5m) with cuts approximately 60 - 80mm of second and third order branches overhanging the garden of Upper Heights.

Upper Heights, Burscombe Lane, Sidford, Sidmouth, EX10 9SFT.

**DEFERRED:** Awaiting report

c) 23/0488/TCA

South Ward

Albanwood, House Bickwell Valley, Sidmouth, EX10 8SG. Row 1 - 7: Thuja - fell and grind stumps. Row 2 - 5: Lawson

Cypress - fell. Group 1: Laurels - cut to ground level. T1: Photinia - fell. Row 3: Aucuba hedge - fell. Row 4: Leyland cypress - cut to as

near to ground level as possible.

**NOTED** 

d) 23/0520/TRE

24A Witheby, Sidmouth, Devon, EX10 8SR.

South Ward

T2, White Birch : fell.

T2, T3, T4: replace with Western Red Cedar, Mountain Ash and

Western Red Cedar, respectively.

**DEFERRED**: Awaiting report

23/0651/TRE South Ward Knowle Grange, Knowle Drive, Sidmouth, EX10 8HN.

T1: lime - shorten back over neighbour's roof, leaving 2m

clearance. Reduce and re-shape by approximately 1m to leave a

natural form by pruning to second order branches.

**DEFERRED:** Awaiting report

#### 475 New Tree Preservation Order

None received

# 476 Exemption to a Tree Preservation Order

None received

# 477 Appeals

None received

### 478 Unsupported decisions

None received

## 479 Enforcement Letters

None received

# 480 Local Plan update.

The Chair reported that work on preparing the new Local Plan was proceeding. The draft Local Plan is currently scheduled to be published in the Autumn.