

Sidmouth Town Council's Planning Working Group
held on Wednesday 9 August 2023
(The Working Group met virtually)

Councillors present: Kelvin Dent (Chair)
Bernie Davis
John Loudon
Rachel Perram

Also present: Councillor Ian Barlow

The meeting started at 10.00am and finished at 10.20am

570 Declarations of Interest

No declarations of interest were made.

571 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.

572 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 26 July 2023.

573 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.

574	23/1633/FUL Primley Ward	Stephen Fletcher	123 Sidford Road, Sidmouth, Devon, EX10 9PB. Removal of existing garage, construction of new garage in alternative location.
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SUPPORT

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| 575 | 23/1208/FUL
South Ward | Mr
Matthew
Raistrick | Victoria Hotel, The Esplanade, Sidmouth, EX10 8RY.

Construction of a lift shaft to rear (north) elevation |
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| 576 | 22/2756/FUL
South Ward | Mr
Matthew
Raistrick | Victoria Hotel, The Esplanade, Sidmouth, EX10 8RY.

Construction of two new poolside family rooms and associated parking spaces, and extension to existing poolside family guest room. |
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SUPPORT

Note: Members support the flat roof design but suggest that the possibility be considered of setting the building further back from the boundary wall.

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| 577 | 23/1658/FUL
South Ward | Mr George
Barber | 127 Winslade Road, Sidmouth, Devon, EX10 9EZ.

Garage renovation. |
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SUPPORT

578 Trees in Conservation Areas

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| a) | 23/1315/TCA | Mr Roger
Flynn | Long Orchard, Elysian Fields, Sidmouth, EX10 8UH.

T1: Monterey cypress - removal of roots up to 20mm where uplifting and protruding through driveway surface. (Consult with Tree Team if roots 20mm need works and alternative suitable driveway surface required.) T2: mature sweet chestnut with senescent crown - reduction of canopy on west side (nearest the house) and height reduction by approximately 1.5m. Removal of deadwood. T3: yew - crown lift to 2.5m above ground level to allow access under the canopy, reduce the extent of eastern canopy by up to 2m. T4 & T5: chestnuts - reduce overhanging branches back to hedgerow by approx 1.5m. |
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| 579 | Trees with preservation order

None received. |
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580 New Tree Preservation Order

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| a) | 23/0030/TPO | Land at Pipers Chantry, Convent Road, Sidmouth, EX10 8RE. |
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NOTED

581 Exemption to a Tree Preservation Order

None received

582 Appeals

None received

583 Unsupported decisions

None.

Enforcement Letters

None received.

584 New Draft Local Plan Update

The Chair reported that a recent meeting of EDDC's Strategic Planning Committee had decided that the Committee would work through the new draft local plan in sections. A workshop would be held to consider the Local Plan vision and decide how to work through the remainder of the Local Plan. In the meanwhile, Officers would continue to work on the Local Plan including sites and allocations without waiting for the Government's update on the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF).

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CHAIR OF THE PLANNING WORKING GROUP