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All Members of the Planning Committee

Town Clerk

For Information:

To:

Other Members of the Town Council
District Councillor for Sidmouth not on the Town Council
Sid Vale Association

Dear Sir/Madam,

Meeting of Sidmouth Town Council's Planning Committee to be held on Wednesday 23 April 2025 at 10.00am

You are hereby summoned to attend the above meeting to be held in the Council Chamber, Woolcombe House, Woolcombe Lane, Sidmouth. It is proposed that the matters set out on the agenda below will be considered at the meeting and resolution or resolutions passed as the Council considers appropriate.

Those members of the public wishing to speak on a planning application, are required to register by emailing <u>planning@sidmouth.gov.uk</u> at least 24 hours before the start time of the meeting.

The Chair of the meeting has the right and discretion to control questions to avoid disruption, repetition and to make best use of the meeting time. Individual contributions will be limited to a maximum period of three minutes. Where there is an interested group of objectors or supporters, a spokesperson should be appointed to speak on behalf of the group.

Yours faithfully,

Christopher E Holland

Town Clerk

AGENDA

1 Apologies

To receive apologies for absence.

2 Declarations of Interest

To receive Declarations of Interest.

3 Minutes

To agree to sign as a true and accurate record, the Minutes of the Planning Committee meeting of 2 April 2025.

4 District Council Members

It is noted that the participation of those Councillors who are also members of the Local Planning Authority of 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 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.

5 Statutory Obligations - Applications for consideration

Town and Parish Councils are Statutory Consultees to the Local Planning Authority and as such do not make decisions apart from applications for advertising consents and trees. The Town Council's Planning Committee is required to make known its willingness to support, or not, planning applications based on local knowledge and current planning policies in order that these views can be taken into account when the decision is made by the District Council as Planning Authority. In accordance with Sidmouth Town Council Standing Orders Item 3(d) – (i) Members of the public may speak on each planning application on the agenda for up to three minutes.

6 Urgent items or Amended Plans Received After Formulation of the Agenda.

To receive a report from the Planning Clerk of any urgent planning items or amendments to planning applications received after the publication of the agenda.

7 Exclusion of the Public

To agree any items to be dealt with after the public (including the press) have been excluded. There are no items which the Town Clerk recommends should be dealt with in this way.

8 Applications for consideration

Applications can be found at: https://planning.eastdevon.gov.uk/online-applications/
(Type in or copy the application number into the box next to the search button, click on the documents tab and then on view documents.)

9 25/0575/VAR White Space East Ward Estates Ltd

Abbeyfield Court, Station Road, Sidmouth, EX10 8NW. Variation of condition number 2 (approved plans) on planning permission 24/2023/FUL (Change of use from sheltered housing (Class C2) to form 9 No. apartments (Class C3) with associated operational development comprising: new fenestration; addition of 2 No. external balconies to 2nd and 3rd floor levels; reapplication of external render; and external landscaping works) Proposed provision of external balconies to the rear and side (N/E & N/W) elevations with associated changes in fenestration.

10	25/0765/LBC East Ward	Mr J Pendlebury	Flat 2 Devonia, 1 Coburg Terrace, Sidmouth, EX10 8NH. Modern stud wall re-positioned in ground floor bedroom; enlarge opening between kitchen and dining room and replace patio doors in bedroom on rear north west elevation with single door and fixed panel with 2no. windows with top hung opening lights.
11	25/0678/FUL North Ward	Mr Marton Pugsley	6 Woolbrook Mead, Sidmouth, EX10 9XF. Single storey side extension, replacement of garage with carport, rendering of property and replacement windows.
12	25/0512/LBC North Ward	Prof. and Ms Berry and Hartley	48 Temple Street, Sidmouth, Devon, EX10 9BQ. Removal of two existing single storey rear extensions and replacement with a larger single storey rear extension, and replacement of existing garage with new garage and carport
13	25/0511/FUL North Ward	Prof. and Ms Berry and Hartley	48 Temple Street, Sidmouth, Devon, EX10 9BQ. Removal of two existing single storey rear extensions and replacement with a larger single storey rear extension, and replacement of existing garage with new garage and carport
14	25/0440/FUL North Ward	Mr J Thorne	Sidmouth Town Football Club, Manstone Lane, Sidmouth, EX10 9TS. Extension of Grandstand, relocating and extending viewing shelter, erection of fences and paths.
15	25/0554/FUL North Ward	Mr Bryn Small (DBD Construction)	Bedgales Nursery, Sidmouth, EX10 9XA. Demolition of existing outbuildings and construction of 4 chalet bungalows.
16	25/0735/FUL North Ward	Mr Adrian Thomas	1 Moor View Close, Sidmouth, EX10 9UP. Removal of conservatory to front and porch to side. New front door to side and altered fenestration to front. Removal of rear conservatory and replacement with new pitched roof extension with 2x rooflights. Lowering of one rear window cill.
17	25/0774/FUL North Ward	Kate Cooke	Ravenslea, 5 Meadway, Sidmouth, Devon, EX10 9JA. Construction of rear and side, wraparound, single storey extension.
18	25/0739/FUL Primley Ward	Mr Harding	Land And Garages North Of West Park Road, Sidmouth, EX10 9DH. Construction of new two storey dwelling including proposed first floor window on east elevation (currently under construction under approval 21/3188/FUL).
19	25/0505/FUL Salcome Regis Ward	Mr Chris Turner	Agricultural Buildings On Salcombe Hill, Salcombe Hill Road, Sidmouth, Devon, EX10 ONY. Proposed new General Purpose Agricultural Building and a new FYM Storage Building.
20	25/0694/LBC Salcombe Regis Ward	Mr & Mrs N & L Dalton	Springcombe House, Salcombe Regis, Sidmouth, EX10 0JN. Demolition and realignment of c. 8 metres of wall to widen the narrow driveway.

21	25/0693/FUL Salcombe Regis Ward	Mr & Mrs N & L Dalton	Springcombe House, Salcombe Regis, Sidmouth, EX10 OJN. Demolition and realignment of c. 8 metres of wall to widen the narrow driveway.
22	25/0663/FUL Salcombe Regis	Mr & Mrs Webb	Langton, Salcombe Hill Road, Sidmouth, EX10 8JR. Removal of two existing single storey garages and replacement with a larger single storey garage and store, and replacement of existing small rear extension and replacement with a single storey side extension.
23	25/0574/LBC Sidbury Ward	Mr Peter Legowski	Buckley Hill Cottage, Bridge Street, Sidbury, Sidmouth, EX10 ORZ. Re-render all external walls; replace French doors on and 1no. ground floor window on north elevation and replace 1no. windows at ground floor south elevation.
24	25/0517/LBC	Mr & Ms M	Sand, Sidbury, EX10 0QN.
	Sidbury Ward	Coman	Extension and conversion to residential use as an annexe to Sand.
25	25/0516/FUL Sidbury Ward	Mr & Ms M Coman	Sand, Sidbury, EX10 OQN. Extension and conversion to residential use as an annexe to Sand.
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26	25/0830/AGR Sidbury Ward	M G Bull	Land North Of Sand Farm, Sidbury Hill, Sidbury. A portal framed agricultural building.
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27	25/0465/FUL Sidford Ward	Mrs Annette Witheridge	The Salty Monk, Church Street, Sidford, Sidmouth, EX10 9QP. Change of use from commercial to residential.
	Sidiola Wala	Withenage	change of use from commercial to restachtian
28	25/0704/FUL Sidford Ward	Mr Phill Tookey	Rising Sun Inn, School Street, Sidford, Devon, EX10 9PF. The construction of a steel fire escape staircase to the rear west
	Sidioid Waid	Tookey	elevation of the property.
29	25/0585/LBC	Mr Phill	Rising Sun Inn, School Street, Sidford, Devon, EX10 9PF.
	Sidford Ward	Tookey	The construction of a steel fire escape staircase to the rear west elevation of the property.
30	25/0724/LBC	Cllr Mike	Church Cottage, Church Lane, Sidmouth, EX10 8LG.
	South Ward	Goodman	Retention of various works to include: lathe and plaster ceilings replastered; insulate ceilings; strip back partion walls to stud work and re-instate; install new partiton walls; replace fireplace surround with lintel and fire in living room; re-plaster walls and ceilings; new vent in bathroom and install new cowl.
31	25/0675/FUL South Ward	Mr N Hillier	Sidmouth Garage, Connaught Road, Sidmouth, EX10 8TT. Conversion of existing building to ground floor flat. Demolition of workshops to be replaced with new dwelling and staircase to existing first floor flat.

32 Trees in Conservation Areas

a) 25/0630/TCA Brooklands, Convent Road, Sidmouth, EX10 8RE.

South Ward T1, Leyland cypress : fell.

33 Tree Preservation Orders

Applications relating to Trees protected by a Tree Preservation Order.

a) 25/0559/TRE 5 Brownlands Road, Sidmouth, EX10 9AR.

Salcombe Regis T1, Silver Birch: Crown lift the lower branches by approximately Ward 1.5-2m; diameter cut size of 30-60mm; cuts made of no more one

third diameter of parent branch; 2nd and 3rd order branches to be

pruned; natural target pruning throughout. (DR)

b) 25/0518/TRE Peak Lodge Peak House, Cotmaton Road, Sidmouth, EX10 8SY.

South Ward T1, Turkey Oak: fell to ground level (replacement planting: English

Oak). (DR)

c) 25/0877/TRE Wingletang, 7 Sidmount Gardens, Sidmouth, EX10 8XQ.

South Ward PROPOSAL: T1, Birch: remove. Reason rootplate lifting.T2, Birch:

remove. Reason dead. G1: x10 Douglas fir: fell. Reason unsuitable species for site, poor form, blocking light from house and garden.

Replant with a mix of birch, field maple and Scots pine.

d) 25/0525/TRE Alexandria Industrial Estate Station Road, Sidmouth, Devon, EX10

South Ward 9HL.

1 - Reduce primary limb on south eastern aspect by 2m, maximum

diameter of cut (MDC) 50mm.

2 - Reduce western aspect by 2m, MDC 50mm.

5 - Reduce height by 2.5m, MDC 75mm and reduce lowest westerly

limb by 3m, MDC 50mm.

6 - Reduce eastern limb arising at 7m above ground level by 2.5m,

MDC 50mm.

9 - Reduce height by 1.5m, MDC 40mm and reduce lowest eastern

limbs by 2m, MDC 50mm. (DR)

34 Notification of a new Tree Preservation order

None received at the time of the publication of agenda.

35 Notification of any works which constitute an exemption to a Tree Preservation Order

None received at the time of the publication of agenda.

36 Unsupported decisions

None received at the time of the publication of agenda.

37 Appeals

None received at the time of the publication of agenda.

38 Enforcement Letters

None received at the time of the publication of the agenda.

39 New East Devon Local Plan;

To receive an update

Forthcoming Council and Working Group meetings:

12 May: Annual Council Meeting

14 May: Planning Committee Meeting

2 June: Council

SIDMOUTH TOWN COUNCIL Minutes of the Meeting of the Planning Committee held at the Council Chamber, Woolcombe House, Sidmouth, on Wednesday 4 April 2025 at 10.00am

Councillors present: Kelvin Dent (Chair)

Rachel Perram (Vice Chair)

Chris Lockyear John Loudoun Hilary Nelson

Edward Willis-Fleming

Apologies: Cllr Bernie Davis

Cllr John Nicholson

Also present: Cllr Ian Barlow

The meeting started at 10.00 am and finished at 12.30 pm

344 Declarations of Interest

Name	Item / Reference	Туре	Action Taken	Details of Interest
Cllr Ian	All applications	Personal	Remained in the	Member of EDDC Planning
Barlow			meeting but did	Committee
			not vote.	
Cllr Chris	25/0449/TCA	Personal	Remained in the	Member of STC Planning
Lockyear	South Ward		meeting and did	Committee
			vote. Applicant	
All Members			did not vote.	
Cllr Rachel	25/0570/TCA	Personal	Remained in the	Member of STC Planning
Perram	South Ward		meeting and did	Committee
			vote. Applicant	
All Members			did not vote.	
Cllr John	25/0381/TRE.	Personal	Remained in the	Neighbour
Loudon	Sidbury Ward		meeting and did	
			not vote.	
Cllr Willis-	25/0476/MRES	Personal	Remained in the	Acquainted with applicants.
Fleming	West Ward &		meeting and did	
	25/0552/FUL		not vote.	
	Salcombe Regis &			
	25/0442/FUL			
	East Ward			

345 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.

346 Minutes

The minutes of the meeting of the Planning Committee held on Wednesday 12 March 2025 were signed as a true and accurate record.

347 Urgent items

RESOLVED: 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.

25/0356/MOUT	Mr P Aubery	Land East Of Burscombe Lane, Sidford, Sidmouth, EX10 9SG.
Sidford Ward	(Tavistock	Residential development for up to 15 dwellings (outline
	Green Ltd)	application seeking approval of details of access only)
	, ,	Sidford Ward (Tavistock

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OBJECT:

Members objected to the proposed application, as it raised significant concerns regarding access, landscape impact, and ecological harm.

1. Access Issues

Burscombe Lane was a narrow and constrained rural lane, unsuitable for increased traffic from a development of this scale. The expected additional vehicle movements would exacerbate congestion and pose safety risks to pedestrians, cyclists, and existing road users. The proposed access did not comply with local transport policies and failed to provide adequate infrastructure for safe and sustainable access.

2. Landscape Impact

The site lies within a designated National Landscape, where development should be strictly controlled to protect its natural beauty. The proposal did not adhere to the Sid Valley Local Plan, the Neighbourhood Plan, or national planning policies (NPPF), which emphasised the protection of valued landscapes. The introduction of housing in this location would cause irreversible harm to the rural character and scenic quality of the area. The proposed development appeared to conflict with several policies outlined in the Sid Valley Neighbourhood Plan Specifically:

Policy 9: Residential Development within Built-Up Area Boundaries (BUAB)

This policy supports residential development within the BUAB. Development outside these boundaries was generally restricted to specific exceptions. If the proposed site lies outside the BUAB, it would not conform to this policy.

Policy 10: Exception Sites

This policy allows for small-scale residential developments of up to 15 homes on land immediately adjacent to the BUAB, provided certain criteria are met:

Local Connection: Homes should be occupied by individuals with a local connection.

Affordable Housing: At least 66% of the development should consist of affordable housing.

Design and Character: The development must be in keeping with the area's character.

If the proposed development did not meet these criteria, it would not align with Policy 10.

Policy 7: Local Distinctiveness

This policy emphasised that new developments should respect and enhance the local landscape character. Given that the site was within a designated National Landscape, any development that adversely affected the landscape's natural beauty would be inconsistent with this policy.

3. Ecological Concerns

25/0474/OUT

Mr & Mrs

The site supported a rich variety of hedgrow and wildlife, including protected species and important habitats. Increased development pressure would lead to habitat loss, disturbance, and fragmentation, contrary to biodiversity objectives set out in both local and national policies. No sufficient mitigation measures had been demonstrated to offset these ecological impacts.

This application was inappropriate due to its failure to provide safe access, its detrimental impact on the protected landscape, and its disregard for ecological preservation.

Hillington, Frys Lane, Sidford, Devon, EX10 9SR.

	Sidford Ward	Spicer	Outline application for the construction of a single dwelling house on land to the rear of the host dwelling. Approval sought for access, layout and scale: matters reserved for appearance and landscaping.
	NO OBJECTIONS		
350	25/0526/FUL Sidford Ward	Mr Jack Silk	12 Higher Brook Meadow, Sidford, Devon, EX10 9SS. Single storey rear extension to replace existing conservatory.
	NO OBJECTIONS		
351	25/0442/FUL East Ward	Mr Tiku Patidar	Yrgolf Ltd, Dove Lane, Sidmouth, EX10 8AN. Proposed roof mounted air-conditioning condenser units and photovoltaic panels. Proposed reuse of existing openings for mechanical ventilation.

DEFERRED:

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Members were pleased that this building was being developed and saw it as an asset to Sidmouth. However, they found the application inconsistent and insufficient, Therefore the decision is deferred pending amended plans and the receipt of the Environmental Health Assessment.

352	25/0205/LBC	Mrs Millie	Seasalt, 1 Royal London House, Fore Street, Sidmouth, EX10 8AQ.
	East Ward	Drennan	Proposal for external re-decoration and repairs, updated logos,
			replacement of a door with a window. Internal layout changes.

NO OBJECTIONS subject the views of the Conservation Officer

353	25/0242/ADV	Mrs Millie	Seasalt, 1 Royal London House, Fore Street, Sidmouth, EX10 8AQ.
	East Ward	Drennan	Updated painted logos including 2no Facia signs, 1no painted
			graphic, 1no. tap work art and 1 no window graphic

GRANTED

354	25/0394/LBC East Ward	Mr Adam Marston- Price	Tudor Cottage, Chapel Street, Sidmouth, EX10 8ND. Replace ceilings and walls in dining room and lounge with lime plaster and where necessary replace lathe and plaster with plaster board.
	NO OBJECTIONS SU	bject the views	of the Conservation Officer
355	25/0466/COU North Ward	Laura Sharpe	Burrow Farm Cottage, Bowd, Devon, EX10 ONF. Proposed change of use of agricultural land to garden (extension of residential curtilage) at Burrow Farm Cottage, Bowd, EX10 ONF.
	NO OBJECTIONS		
356	25/0479/FUL Primley Ward	Mr Malcolm Pratt	6 Lower Wheathill, Sidmouth, EX10 9UA. Proposed two storey extension on the south east elevation, two storey extension on the north east elevation and construction of a double garage on the north east elevation.
	NO OBJECTIONS		
357	25/0396/FUL Salcome Regis Ward DO NOT SUPPORT: Members consider		11 Sid Lane, Sidmouth, Devon, EX10 9AN. Retrospective permission to retain front porch. s' plans to be inaccurate, they also had concerns regarding the
	down pipes proxim		
358	25/0397/LBC Salcombe Regis Ward	Dr Lucy Woodall	11 Sid Lane, Sidmouth, Devon, EX10 9AN. Retrospective permission to retain front porch.
	Members considered down pipes proxim	ed the architects	s plans to be inaccurate, they also had concerns regarding the bouring property.
359	25/0552/FUL	Ashlynn and	Sid Abbey Coach House Sid Road, Sidmouth EX10 9HN.
	Salcombe Regis	David Lee	22 solar panels to be mounted on modern garage roof.
	NO OBJECTIONS		
360	25/0485/FUL Salcombe Regis Ward	Mr and Mrs Maxwell	1 Regency Gate, Sidmouth, EX10 9NQ. Infilling area under existing first floor projection to extend kitchen and enlarging north elevation window.
	NO OBJECTIONS		
361	24/2279/VAR Salcombe Regis Ward	Mr Gary Burns	Salcombe Regis Camping And Caravan Park, Salcombe Regis, Sidmouth, EX10 OJH. Application to vary condition no.2 (approved plans) of permission 11/0123/COU to amend the layout of the approved development.

NO OBJECTIONS

364 25/0490/FUL

South Ward

25/0490/FUL WITS RI

Mrs Ruth Ray

Broombarn Corner, 19 Roselands, Sidmouth, EX10 8PB.

Proposed conversion of single dwelling into 2no dwellings. Changes in fenestration, south facing first floor balcony and

construction of single storey garage on west elevation.

DO NOT SUPPORT:

Members felt that the application conflicted with the Sid Valley Neighbourhood Plan: The proposal was seen to contradict key principles of the plan, Policy 7 local distinctiveness, particularly in terms of maintaining local character and managing scale.

They felt it to be overdevelopment of the Site: The subdivision and associated additions were considered excessive for the plot size and context.

Members considered the proposed conversion would have impact on the Street Scene: The proposed alterations, including the balcony and garage, were not considered to be in keeping with the surrounding properties and would negatively impact the character and appearance of the street.

365 25/0476/MRES

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Messrs Ford

Unit 2 Alexandria Industrial Estate, Station Road, Sidmouth

West Ward

(OG Holdings Retirement

Benefit

Landscaping Reserved Matter for Phase 1 as detailed in Condition

Scheme)

10.

NO OBJECTIONS

Trees in Conservation Areas

a) 25/0281/TCA

25/0281/TCA 12 Belvedere Court, Hillside Road, Sidmouth, EX10 8FD.

Salcombe Regis T1: English Oak - remove major deadwood throughout whole

crown area, maximum diameter of cuts 25mm in diameter. Thin current canopy by 20%. T2: Tulip Tree - crown thin, removing selected branches in the upper canopy to reduce current density

by up to 20%, maximum diameter of cuts 25mm diameter.

Remove deadwood.

NOTED

b) 25/0424/TCA

Skelgill, Broadway, Sidmouth, EX10 8RQ.

South Ward

Acer: fell.

NOTED

c) 25/0630/TCA

Brooklands, Convent Road, Sidmouth, EX10 8RE.

South Ward

T1, Leyland cypress: fell.

DEFERRED: Awaiting the Tree Officers report

d) 25/0499/TCA

Sherwood, Boughmore Road, Sidmouth, Devon, EX10 8SH.

South Ward

Leylandii - fell and remove.(DR)

NOTED

e) 25/0449/TCA Mr Chris Bickwell House, Stadway Meadow, Sidmouth, Devon, EX10 8TB.

South Ward Lockyear Poplar: roduce primary lower limb by 6.8m making one pruning

cut of about 100mm.

Poplar: reduce primary lower limb by 6-8m, making one pruning

NOTED

f) 25/0570/TCA Mrs Rachel Southcote, Convent Road, Sidmouth, Devon, EX10 8RL.

South Ward Perram Pittosporum - fell.

NOTED

g) 25/0286/TCA 11 Cranford, Sidmouth, EX10 8UT.

South Ward T1: Plum - fell.

NOTED

367 Tree Preservation Orders

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a) 25/0559/TRE 5 Brownlands Road, Sidmouth, EX10 9AR.

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Ward 1.5-2m; diameter cut size of 30-60mm; cuts made of no more

one third diameter of parent branch; 2nd and 3rd order branches to be pruned; natural target pruning throughout.

DEFERRED: Awaiting the Tree Officers report

b) Rose Hill, Cotford Road, Sidbury, Devon, EX10 OSQ.

25/0381/TRE. T1: Eucalyptus - remove in sections to ground level and replaced

Sidbury Ward with a Liquidambar Styraciflua.

AGREED: as recommended by the Arboricultural Officer.

c) 25/0167/TRE Runnymede, Orchard Close, Manor Road, Sidmouth, Devon,

South Ward EX10 8RS.

T1: Lime - cut back by up to 1.5m to the height of 4m only, lowest, small diameter branches overhanging property of

Runnymeade on southerly aspect, maximum 50mm pruning cuts

only.

AGREED: as recommended by the Arboricultural Officer.

368 Appeals

None received

369 Unsupported decisions

None received

CHAIR OF THE PLANNING WORKING GROUP

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Enforcement Letters

None received.