

SIDMOUTH TOWN COUNCIL

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All Members of the Planning Working Group

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 Working Group to be held on Wednesday 23 October 2024 at 10.00am

You are called upon to attend the above meeting where it is proposed that the matters set out on the agenda below will be considered and resolution or resolutions passed as the Planning Working Group considers appropriate.

The Planning Working Group will meet virtually via the Zoom software platform. Please note the start time of the meeting. Those members of the public wishing to view the meeting or speak on a planning application, are required to register by emailing planning@sidmouth.gov.uk at least 24 hours before the start time of the meeting, after which virtual meeting details will be sent out to speakers.

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 and delegate to the Chair of the Planning Working Group to sign as a true and accurate record, the Minutes of the Planning Committee meeting of 9 October 2024.

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 Working Group 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.

9 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.)

10	24/1214/FUL East Ward	Mrs Victoria Muse-Jones	104 & 106 High Street, Sidmouth, EX10 8EF. Renovation of existing first floor dormers including replacement of windows (retrospective).
11	24/1841/LBC North Ward	Mrs Mandy Drewa	50 Temple Street, Sidmouth, EX10 9BQ. Replace roof on main building; replace roof and install larger rooflight on single storey rear extension and install woodburner at ground floor.

12	24/2044/FUL North Ward	Sid Valley Food Bank	United Reformed Church, Primley Road, Sidmouth, EX10 9LB. Construction of a shed at the rear of the United Reform Church for the storage of food/items belonging to Sid Valley Food Bank.	
13	24/1900/FUL Salcombe Regis ward	Mr S Conway	Land South Of Hillside, Salcombe Regis. Agricultural storage building (resubmission of 23/1161/FUL).	
14	24/2052/FUL Salcombe Regis Ward	Mr S Jones and Mr M Denning	70 Malden Road, Sidmouth, EX10 9NA. Variation to the design of previously approved bungalow under approval reference number 22/0547/FUL.	
15	24/1964/FUL Sidford Ward	Mrs Stacey Callun	3 Stevens Cross Close, Sidford, Sidmouth, EX10 9QJ Proposed roof extension and new raised terrace on North West elevation, Dormer and single storey extension on North East elevation, single storey extension on South East elevation and extension to dormer on South West elevation.	
16	24/1506/FUL Sidford Ward	Mr & Mrs Priestley	Magnolia Lodge, Southway, Sidmouth, EX10 8JL. Construction of garden annex.	
17	24/2024/FUL Sidford Ward	Mr Shawn Trott	Lower Foxgrove, Coreway Close, Sidford, Sidmouth, EX10 9SD. Proposed single detached garage.	
18	24/1649/FUL South Ward	Mr P Fleming	Gunnersbury, Manor Road, Sidmouth, EX10 8RR. Single storey rear extension, loft conversion and associated rear facing dormers.	
19	24/1174/MFUL South Ward	Melanye Luscombe (Richmond Estates Sidmouth Ltd)	The Richmond Hotel, Elysian Fields, Sidmouth, EX10 8UJ. Change of use of Cumberland Cottage and its adjoining extensions Including 1987 front extension and guest house extension, from C1 Hotel to C3 Residential use; change of use of annexe apartments, currently classed as C1 Hotel rooms to C3 Holiday use; remove managers use restriction on residential bungalow; Permission to split and sell all the above properties, plus residential staff cottage leasehold/commonhold.	
20	24/2064/LBC South Ward	Mr & Mrs A & S Garnett	Flat 7 Green Gables, All Saints Road, Sidmouth, EX10 8EU. Replace modern windows: 1no. window and 1no. dormer window on west elevation; 1no. window and 1no. dormer window on east elevation and 1no. window on north elevation.	
21	Trees in Conserva	tion Areas		
a)	24/2104/TCA South Ward	Mr Tim Johnson	Marycourt, Convent Road, Sidmouth, Devon, EX10 8RE. Copper Beech - crown reduction to the east, south and west aspects by 1 to 1.5m. Crown reduction to the north aspect (where the tree is unbalanced) by 2 to 2.5m.	

b) 24/2107/TCA Mr Jonty Mount Pleasant Hotel, Hillside Road, Sidmouth, EX10 8JA.

Salcombe Regis Reaney T1, Lawson Cypress: dismantle to ground.

Ward

22 Tree Preservation Orders

Applications relating to Trees protected by a Tree Preservation Order.

a) 24/1533/TRE 4 Cedar Shade, All Saints Road, Sidmouth, Devon, EX10 8EU.

South ward T1, Holm Oak : Cut back lateral extension of branches over roof by

2.5m. Lift secondary branches over roof to give 2.5m clearance

where possible. (DR)

23 Notification of a new Tree Preservation order.

None received at the time of the publication of agenda.

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

None received at the time of the publication of agenda.

25 Unsupported decisions

a) 24/1100/HRN Oliver Land At Burscombe Lane, Sidford, Sidmouth.

Sidford Ward Chamberlain Removal of 4m of hedgerow.

STC Deferred DCC Approved

26 Appeals

a) APP/U1105/L/22 1 Chapel Mews and 2 Chapel Mews, The Old Chapel, Chapel Street,

/3306880 Sidmouth, EX10 8ND.

The appeal is dismissed, and the surcharges upheld.

Appeal notification

b) APP/U1105/W/2 Mr S Hallett Lower Sweetcombe Farm, Sidbury, EX10 OQR.

4/3350271 & M Change of use of land from agricultural to holiday/tourism

Conibear accommodation including the retention of a shepherd's hut, shed

(housing a kitchen/store and shower) and toilet (retrospective).

27 Enforcement Letters

None received at the time of the publication of agenda.

28 New East Devon Local Plan;

To receive an update on the new local plan.

Forthcoming Council and Working Group meetings:

21 October Environment Committee

23 October Planning Working Group

4 November Council

Sidmouth Town Council's Planning Committee held on Wednesday 9 October 2024 at Woolcombe House

Councillors present: Kelvin Dent (Chair)

Rachel Perram (Vice Chair)

Cllr Bernie Davis Cllr John Loudoun Cllr John Nicholson

Also Present: Cllr Ian Barlow

Apologies: Cllr Chris Lockyear

Cllr Hilary Nelson

Cllr Edward Willis-Flemming

The meeting started at 10.00am and finished at 11.45

170 Declarations of Interest

Cllr Rachel	24/0862/FUL	Personal	Remained in the	Acquainted with the applicant
Perram	North Ward		meeting and did	
			not vote.	

171 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.

172 Minutes

Members agreed that delegated authority be given to the Chair of the Planning Committee to sign as a true and accurate record the Minutes of the Planning Working Group meeting of 25 September 2024.

173 Land between Furzehill and Hillside, Sidbury

Members received a presentation from the agents Savills regarding a potential forthcoming planning application in the Furzehill and Hillside area of Sidbury. As there was no planning application yet submitted at the time of the meeting, no decision or view could be taken by the Committee.

During the presentation and subsequent questions by Councillors and members of the public, the following issues were raised.

- Flooding
- Access off Chapel Street, which is already constricted
- The number of affordable houses could not be guaranteed
- Infrastructure

- Sewage
- Pedestrian safety
- Bats and wildlife
- Excess traffic
- A desire for public consultation to be held within the village

174 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.

175	24/1853/VAR	Mrs Georgia	15 Furzehill, Sidbury, Sidmouth, EX10 ORJ.
	Sidbury Ward	Dent	Variation to condition 2 (approved plans) on planning
			permission 17/1111/FUL (rear extension); change from pitch
			roof to a flat roof with a glazed lantern

NO OBJECTIONS

176	24/1931/AGR Mr Jon		Chineway Farm, Putts Corner, Sidbury, Devon, EX10 0QQ.
	Sidbury ward	Simpson	Agricultural shed for the feeding and storing sheep and the
			storage of hay approx size 465msq

DO NOT SUPPORT:

NO OBJECTIONS

Members noted that there had been several, previous applications for this property, one of which recently involved the sale of land and agricultural buildings due to a lack of need for farming by the applicant. Members considered that the proposal was overbearing and overdevelopment, which would have an adverse impact upon the National Landscape.

77	24/1870/VAR Sidford Ward	Mrs Caroline Cooper	11 Harcombe Lane, Sidford, Sidmouth, EX10 9QN. Variation of Condition Number 2 (approved plans) on Planning Permission 24/0075/FUL (Construction of rear extension, loft conversion with new roof and timber cladding on North West elevation) proposal for changes in roof design and fenestration.
	NO OBJECTIONS		
178	24/0862/FUL South Ward	Mr Nigel Winchester	Land Adjacent 15 Ascerton Road, Sidmouth. Proposed detached dwelling and new driveway access to No 6

179 24/0279/LBC Mr Paul 5 Fortfield Terrace, Sidmouth, Devon. EX10 8NT. Langham Works to roof to include the introduction of new timber roof supports to strengthen the existing roof structure.

Peaslands Road.

NO OBJECTIONS

180 24/1755/LBC Ms S Major St Davids, 1 1/2 Fortfield Terrace, Sidmouth, EX10 8NT.

Repairs to veranda. Re render front elevation with lime render.

South Ward Tank and repair basement storage vaults. Repair first floor

construction. Remove partition wall which crosses first floor, front room. Block up modern, first floor, front room doorway. Reinstate original first floor, front room doorway and door. Replace first floor front room fireplace. Repair railings, replace

damaged railings and gate.

NO OBJECTIONS

181 24/1791/FUL Mr and Mrs S Erica, Seafield Road, Sidmouth, Devon, EX10 8HE.

South Ward Barnes Erection of a car port including integrated solar panels on roof,

renewal of previously approved application 21/2277/FUL

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NO OBJECTIONS

182 Trees in Conservation Areas

a) 24/1993/TCA Mr Carolcrest, Bickwell Valley, Sidmouth, Devon, EX10 8SQ.

South Ward MacDonald G2, Winter's Bark (x2) - reduce by approximately 2m to level of

adjacent Lawson Cypress

DEFERRED: Awaiting Officers report.

b) 24/1960/TCA Mr Robert 30 The Laurels, Sidmouth, EX10 8UX.

South Ward Irons T28: Turkey Oak - prune back branches over property (Flat 30)

by up to 4m.

183 Trees with preservation order

Applications relating to Trees protected by a Tree Preservation Order.

a) 24/1784/TRE Gaunts, Sid Road, Sidmouth, Devon, EX10 9AF.

Beech: crown reduction via thinning; total crown removal

Salcombe Regis between 20-25%; maximum intended cuts 125mm.

Ward

DEFERRED: Awaiting Officers report.

b) 24/1596/TRE Pinecrest, Southway, Sidmouth, EX10 8JL.

Salcombe Regis T2, Monterey Pine: thin crown by approximately 30% to

Ward include an overall crown spread and height reduction of 1-2

m, maximum diameter of cuts 125mm. (DR)

SPLIT DECISION: as recommended by the Arboricultural Officer.

c) 24/1959/TRE Mr Beattie Ventonlace, Cottington Mead, Sidmouth, EX10 8HB.

Oak (T1) -Reduce crown by a maximum of 1.5m. Reduction works via thinning with max diameter cuts of 30mm to achieve

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this. Carry out works on a 4 year cycle to contain size of tree.

DEFERRED: Awaiting Officers report.

South Ward

d) 24/1970/TRE Littlecourt House, Seafield Road, Sidmouth, Devon, EX10 8HF.

South Ward T1: Beech - prune extending limbs to give 2m clearance from

nouse.

DEFERRED: Awaiting Officers report.

e) 24/2002/TRE 5 Deans Mead, Sidmouth, EX10 8XP.

T1: Ash pollard - remove dead wood over 75mm and reduce

South ward height by 2-3m into live growth to encourage new shoots.

Shorten back long limb over neighbouring property.

DEFERRED: Awaiting Officers report.

184 Exemption to a Tree Preservation Order

None received.

185 Appeals.

None received.

186 Unsupported decisions

None received.

187 Enforcement Letters

None received.

188 New Draft East Devon Local Plan Update:

The preparation of the new Local Plan had now moved from consideration of site allocations to policies. However, the number of sites for new dwellings which had been identified so far fell short of the number required. Consequently, sites which had previously been recommended by Officers and rejected would need to be revisited.

CHAIR OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE