

**Sidmouth Town Council's Planning Working Group  
held on Wednesday 31 July 2024**

(The Working Group met virtually)

Councillors present: Kelvin Dent (Chair)  
Rachel Perram (Vice Chair)

Bernie Davis  
Cllr Chris Lockyear  
John Loudoun  
John Nicholson

Also Present: Cllr Ian Barlow

The meeting started at 10.00am and finished at 10.51am

**090 Declarations of Interest**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Item/App Number</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Action Taken</b>	<b>Details</b>
Cllr Kelvin Dent	24/1293/LBC	Personal	Remained in the meeting during discussion and voting	Member of Sid Vale Association
Cllr Chris Lockyear	24/1293/LBC	Personal	Remained in the meeting during discussion and voting	Member of Sid Vale Association
Cllr John Loudoun	24/1293/LBC	Personal	Remained in the meeting during discussion and voting	Member of Sid Vale Association
Cllr Rachel Perram	21/1342/FUL	Personal	Remained in the meeting during discussion and voting	Acquainted with the applicant
Cllr Kelvin Dent	092 – Minute mentioning appeal for redevelopment of former Council Offices, Knowle	Personal	Remained in the meeting during discussion and voting	Lives adjacent to application site

**091 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.

**092 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 17 July 2024.

It was noted that the principle of a letter to be written to the Local Planning Authority regarding the appeal for the redevelopment of the former Council Office site at Knowle would be considered at Council.

**093 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.

<b>094</b>	24/1269/ADV 24/0244/ENQ East Ward	Ms Marie Clarke	50 Fore Street, Sidmouth, EX10 8AG. 2 no. non-illuminated fascia signs, 1 No. non-illuminated lettering and logo to side elevation and 1 no. non-illuminated double-sided projecting sign. Amendment to the left hand fascia sign graphics.
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**APPROVED**

<b>095</b>	24/1298/LBC East Ward	Mr Nick Davidson And Mrs Sarah Lane	36A Fore Street, Sidmouth, EX10 8AQ Internal alterations to previously approved change of use alterations linked to application 23/1903/LBC. First floor alterations: remove wall between kitchen and dining room to create a large kitchen. Second floor alterations: Bedroom 1: dressing room to become ensuite; Bedroom 2 & 3 to become larger by moving hallway wall forward; Bathroom off landing to become a shower room and shower room to become WC.
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**NO OBJECTIONS subject to the approval of the Conservation Officer**

<b>096</b>	24/1342/FUL Primley Ward	Mr and Mrs Cload	4 Fleming Avenue, Sidmouth, EX10 9NY. Single-storey rear extension.
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**NO OBJECTIONS**

<b>097</b>	24/1155/FUL South Ward	Mr and Mrs Hall	22 Alexandria Road, Sidmouth, Devon, EX10 9HB. Proposed installation of solar panels, construction of rear dormer, installation of roof windows to the side elevation, alterations to windows and doors on the rear and side elevations, replacement of existing rear polycarbonate roof with flat roof and lantern rooflight.
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**NO OBJECTIONS**

**098 Trees in Conservation Areas**

- a) 24/1488/TCA Mrs Fiona Silverdale, Bickwell Valley, Sidmouth, Devon, EX10 8SGTP1,  
South Ward Chambers Cherry : remove. TP2, Magnolia : reduce by 1.5m to make 3m  
height x 4m spread. TP3, Crab Apple : reduce to make 5m in  
height x 5m spread. TP4, Cherry : remove.

**DEFERRED** awaiting Officer's report

- b) 24/1473/TCA Mr Bruce Longbridge, Boughmore Road, Sidmouth, Devon, EX10 8SH.  
South Ward Smith T3, Red Maple : remove lowest 4 lateral branches to raise crown  
to facilitate maintenance of grass underneath. T5, Blue Atlas  
Cedar : reduce back to historic pruning points carried out 2 years  
ago by up to 1.2m maximum pruning cuts of no more than 50mm.

**DEFERRED** awaiting Officer's report

- c) 24/1380/TCA Mr Woods Myrtle Lodge, Millford Road, Sidmouth, Devon, EX10 8DP.  
Salcombe Regis T1, Yew: reduction of crown approximately to line on Photo 1;  
Ward decompact root system, incorporate compost material around  
roots; create a border approx. 2m around stem of tree and  
incorporate compost material.

**WORKS NOTED**

- d) 24/0928/TCA Sid House, Sid Road, Sidmouth, EX10 9AH.  
Salcombe Regis T1 - Sycamore (historic coppice) - re coppice 3 x stems which  
Ward make up the southern most historic coppice stool of the group  
which is impacting on the property. (DR).

**WORKS NOTED**

**099 Trees with preservation order**

Applications relating to Trees protected by a Tree Preservation Order.

**100 Exemption to a Tree Preservation Order**

- a) 24/1501/PRETDD Steve Jones Old Orchard, Bickwell Valley, Sidmouth, EX10 8SG.  
South Ward Hawthorn : fell

**101 Appeals.**

None received.

**102 Unsupported decisions**

- a) 24/0435/FUL Mr Michael 24 Woolbrook Park, Sidmouth, Devon, EX10 9DU.  
West Ward Sykes Proposed dormered loft extension, external works to increase rear patio and parking areas. (Amended).
- STC: DID NOT SUPPORT      EDDC: APPROVED**

**103 Enforcement Letters**

None received.

**104 New Draft East Devon Local Plan Update**

Members noted the new Government’s Housing targets which meant specifically the number of houses to be built each year in East Devon rising from approximately 950 to 1200 dwellings.

It was also noted that because of the new targets and other changes required, the deadline for completion of the East Devon Local Plan had been deferred by 6 months to December 2026.

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**CHAIR OF THE PLANNING WORKING GROUP**