

MINUTES

OF SIDMOUTH TOWN COUNCIL'S

PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING

HELD ON

WEDNESDAY, 19TH NOVEMBER, 2008,

AT 6.30 P.M.

WOOLCOMBE HOUSE, SIDMOUTH

Members present:-	Councillor	C.F.A. Gibbings (Chairman)
	“	I.J. McKenzie-Edwards (Vice-Chairman)
	“	Mrs S. Carr
	“	T.J. Cox
	“	S. Hughes
	“	Mrs M. Jolly
	“	G.K. Liverton
	“	Mrs F.I. Newth
	“	S.P. Pollentine
	“	P. Sullivan
	“	J. Turner

08:11/P9 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors S.J. Brokenshire, J.G.T. Dyson, J.W.Hollick, Mrs L. Kelly and C.H. Wale.

08:11/P10 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Declarations of Interest were received as follows:-

08:11/P12	08/2709/FUL	Cllr Mrs Carr	<i>Close friend and associate of daughter.</i>
08:11/P12	08/2803/FUL	Cllr Mrs Carr	<i>Next door neighbour of daughter.</i>
08:11/P12	08/2843/FUL	Cllr Mrs Carr	<i>Business associate and friend.</i>

08:11/P11 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 was on the basis that the views expressed were preliminary views taking account of the information presently made available to the Town/Parish Council. The District Councillors reserved their final views on the application until they were in full possession of all the relevant arguments for and against.

08:11/P12 APPLICATIONS FOR CONSIDERATION

Resolved

That in respect of the Planning Applications set out below and attached, representations to the manner in which they should be determined, be made known to the East Devon District Council in accordance with schedule 16 of the Local Government Act 1972.

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.

Amended plans

08/1872/LBC and 08/1871/FUL

ROYAL GLEN HOTEL,
GLEN ROAD,
SIDMOUTH.
Extension to Orangery.

Support.

Applications for consideration

08/2709/FUL

MR NIGEL HULL

SILVERWOOD,
YARDELANDS CLOSE,
SIDMOUTH.
Erection of detached two storey dwelling
and detached garage.

Unable to support.

The development is too close to the A376. The Town Council would only support a modest two bedroom bungalow well dug in as stated by this Council in 2006 as being more appropriate.

(Councillor Mrs Carr declared an interest)

08/2803/FUL

RACHEL WATKINS

9 FORTFIELD TERRACE,
SIDMOUTH.
Garden alterations including changes to
levels and formation of new terraces.

Support.

(Councillor Mrs Carr declared an interest)

08/2843/FUL

STEPHEN MITCHELL

THE WORKSHOP GARAGE,
STOWFORD,
SIDMOUTH.
Variation of condition 1 of Application
No. 00/P1109 to allow the continued use
of the land for repair and restoration of
vehicles.

Support the change of name from Furzey to Mitchell but not removal of condition.

(Councillor Mrs Carr declared an interest and left the Chamber)

08/2851/FUL

MR LANGWORTHY

48 PRIMLEY ROAD,
SIDMOUTH.
Demolish existing garage and shed and
erection of new garages and hobby area
building.

Unable to support.

- Overdevelopment of the site.
 - Unacceptable precedent.
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08/2869/TCA MR LEWIS HILL HOUSE,
CONVENT ROAD,
SIDMOUTH.
Fell seven Monterey Cypress.
Approve. Subject to the comments made in the Arboricultural Officers Report.

08/2872/TRE MS P SANDERS 3 THE HILLS,
SID ROAD,
SIDMOUTH.
Yew tree – reduce by 20%, crown lift to
four metres and crown clean.
Split decision, subject to the comments made in the Arboricultural Officers Report.
(1 letter of support received)

08/2919/TCA MS P SANDERS 3 THE HILLS,
SID ROAD,
SIDMOUTH.
20% crown reduction via thinning and
crown clean one Sycamore.
Approve. Subject to the comments made in the Arboricultural Officers Report.

08:11/P13 UNSUPPORTED DECISIONS

No unsupported decisions were received.

08:11/P14 ENFORCEMENT LETTERS

08:11/P14.1 Flat, Bec en Hent, Bickwell Valley, Sidmouth.

Large canopy structure erected in garden (within conservation area)

The Clerk reported a letter from East Devon District Council in connection with a pergola erected in the garden of the above address, the retention of which required the benefit of planning permission.

With a view to regularising the matter the owner had been requested to apply for the necessary permission within 28 days or remove the pergola.

08:11/P14.2 Land at Witheby, Sidmouth.

The Clerk reported a letter from East Devon District Council in connection with a fenced off area of land adjacent to the footpath leading from Witheby to Manor Road. The proposed change of use of land from public amenity to private curtilage requires the benefit of planning permission.

With a view to regularising the matter the owners had been requested to apply for the necessary permission within 28 days. However, East Devon District Council advise that permission is unlikely to be granted for the change of use and the enclosure of the land to form private curtilage as such an enclosure would represent an inappropriate intrusion into the street scene of Witheby.

08:11/P15 MATTERS OF REPORT

08:11/P15.1 Planning Application No. 07/3357/FUL

107 Temple Street, Sidmouth.

Conversion of retail unit and flats to four apartments.

The Clerk reported that an Appeal in respect of the above had been allowed.

08:11/P15.2 Planning Application No. 07/2321/FUL

The Clerk reported a letter from East Devon District Council in respect of a minor amendment to the above planning permission. The amendment related to the first floor bathroom window on the eastern elevation being obscure glazed and fixed.

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CHAIRMAN OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE