

**MINUTES OF**

**SIDMOUTH TOWN COUNCIL'S**

**PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING**

**HELD ON**

**WEDNESDAY, 6TH JANUARY, 2010.**

**AT 6.30. P.M.**

**WOOLCOMBE HOUSE, WOOLCOMBE LANE,**

**SIDMOUTH, DEVON.**

Members present:-	Councillor	I.J. McKenzie-Edwards (Chairman)
	“	J.W. Hollick (Vice-Chairman)
	“	S.J. Brokenshire
	“	Mrs S. Carr
	“	J.G.T. Dyson
	“	Dr D.S. Fung
	“	Mrs M. Jolly
	“	S.P. Pollentine
	“	A.W.J. Reed
	“	J. Turner
	“	C.H. Wale

**10:01/P1      APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors S. Hughes, G.K. Liverton, Mrs F.I. Newth, and P. Sullivan.

Councillor Mrs Kelly was absent from the meeting.

**10:01/P2      DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Declarations of Interest were received as follows:-

10:01/P4	09/2457/FUL	Cllr Mrs Carr	<i>Personal – Friend of husband.</i>
10:01/P4	09/2457/FUL	Cllr Pollentine	<i>Personal – Friend of family.</i>
10:01/P4	09/2371/FUL	Cllr Dyson	<i>Personal – Officer of Devon Orienteering Club.</i>

**10:01/P3      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.

**10:01/P4      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.

**Applications for consideration**

09/2267/FUL                      JOINT FIXED CHARGE                      BELVEDERE COURT,  
RECEIVERS OF PLATINUM                      HILLSIDE ROAD,  
DEVELOPERS LTD.                      SIDMOUTH.  
Erection of two detached dwellings and  
associated car parking, communal amenity  
space and landscaping.

Object.

- The design of the proposed dwellings is considered to be out of character with other properties in the Conservation Area.
- Two dwellings are considered to be overdevelopment.

NOTE : The Town Council would prefer to see a design more in keeping with Belvedere Court. One dwelling only of a suitable design would be acceptable.

Monies provided from the 106 Agreement must be pro rata to the size of the project.

(3 letters of objection received)

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09/2274/FUL                      MR & MRS LAIRD                      SEACOURT,  
SEAFIELD ROAD,  
SIDMOUTH.  
Erection of replacement porch and  
provision of entrance gates.

Support

Subject to approval of the Conservation Officer.

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09/2371/FUL                      FOUR SEASONS GUN  
CLUB                      CLAY SHOOTING GROUND,  
EAST HILL STRIP,  
OTTERY ST MARY.  
Clay shooting ground consisting of the  
retention of two clay launcher houses and  
shipping containers.

Support

*(Councillor Dyson declared an interest and left the Chamber)*

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09/2449/FUL                      MR IAN COLLINS                      2 FAIRMEAD,  
SIDMOUTH.  
Erection of conservatory.

Support

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09/2457/FUL                      MR G BESS                      DORMERS,  
ORCHARD CLOSE,  
MANOR ROAD,  
SIDMOUTH.  
Single and two storey side and rear  
extensions.

Support

*(Councillors Mrs Carr and Pollentine declared an interest and left the Chamber)*

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09/2466/LBC	MR W AMOS	2 AMYATTS TERRACE, SIDMOUTH. Single storey rear (infill) extension, enlargement of internal opening and insertion of rooflights.
Support Subject to approval of the Conservation Officer.		
09/2487/FUL	MR B NICHOLSON	CAMELLIA, KNOWLE DRIVE, SIDMOUTH. Single storey rear and side extension.
Support		
09/2499/LBC	MR M STOUT	MOCHA RESTAURANT, PROSPECT PLACE, SIDMOUTH. New shop front, revisions to entrance and exit from first floor salon, formation of takeaway counter and alterations to disabled access.
Support		
09/2515/FUL	MR M STOUT	MOCHA RESTAURANT, PROSPECT PLACE, SIDMOUTH. New shop front, revisions to entrance and exit from first floor salon, formation of takeaway counter and alterations to disabled access.
Support		
09/2443/TCA	MR N KIRTON	BUCKLEY HILL COTTAGE, BRIDGE STREET, SIDBURY. Fell 1 multi stemmed Ash tree. Coppice 1 twin stemmed Ash. Remove 2 lowest branches and reduce lateral limb on 2 Ash trees.
T1 Ash Approve option 1 of the Arboricultural Officer's Report. "Raise no objection to the proposed removal." subject to replanting with a suitable species.		
T2 (Ash) & G2 (2 x Ash): Approve subject to the comments made in the Arboricultural Officer's Report.		

09/2493/TRE

MRS SLATER

2 BICKWELL COURT,  
BICKWELL VALLEY,  
SIDMOUTH.

Persian Ironwood: reduce and re-  
shape by 30%.

Lawson Cypress: reduce height by 1m.

Western Red Cedar: shorten back  
over roof by 1.5m.

Silver Birch: shorten back low growth  
by 1m and remove lowest branch.

Approve subject to the comments made in the Arboricultural Officer's Report.

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**TREE MATTERS**

**Tree Preservation Order No 18/2009**

It was reported that a Tree Preservation Order had been placed on a Beech tree at Littlecourt House, Seafield Road, Sidmouth.

**10:01/P5      UNSUPPORTED DECISIONS**

No unsupported decisions were received.

**10:01/P6      ENFORCEMENT LETTERS**

10:01/P6.1      **Land south of Bulverton, Sidmouth – Enforcement Action.**

A letter had been received from East Devon District Council concerning the use of the land south of Bulverton Road, Sidmouth, for the storage of equipment and machinery in relation to a timber logging business.

A report on this matter had been considered by the District Council's Assistant Development Manager, under the delegated procedure, on 16 November 2009, when authority was granted to undertake such legal action as necessary to secure the cessation of the unauthorised logging business.

10:01/P6.2      **Fishmongers, The Esplanade, Sidmouth – Untidy condition.**

A letter had been received from East Devon District Council concerning the untidy condition of land at the Fishmongers, The Esplanade, Sidmouth.

It was considered by the District Council that the land affected the amenity of the neighbours and the occupiers had been requested to carry out such work as necessary to remove the rubbish and generally tidy the area within 28 days and ensure that the land is regularly maintained in a clean and tidy condition thereafter.

The Planning Authority had also written to the Wessex Reserve Forces and Cadets Association in respect of the condition of their land which adjoins the premises with a similar request.

**10:01/P7      MATTERS OF REPORT**

No matters of report were received.

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**CHAIRMAN OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE**