

MINUTES OF

SIDMOUTH TOWN COUNCIL'S

PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING

HELD ON

WEDNESDAY, 21ST OCTOBER, 2009.

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
	“	Mrs M. Jolly
	“	S.P. Pollentine
	“	A.W.J. Reed

09:10/P9 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Councillor Dr D.S. Fung, Mrs L. Kelly, G.K. Liverton, Mrs F.I. Newth, P. Sullivan and J. Turner.

Councillor S. Hughes and C.H. Wale were absent from the meeting.

09:10/P10 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Declarations of Interest were received as follows:-

09:10/P12	09/2057/FUL	Cllr Pollentine	<i>Personal – Friend of Applicant.</i>
09:10/P12	09/2057/FUL	Cllr Brokenshire	<i>Personal – Relative knows Applicant.</i>
09:10/P12	09/2057/FUL	Cllr Mrs Carr	<i>Personal – Friend of Applicant.</i>

09:10/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.

09:10/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

09/1762/FUL

MR & MRS G KENNETT

SOUTHCOMBE,
VICARAGE ROAD,
SIDMOUTH.

Proposed extension to provide disabled access, bedroom suite and improved parking.

Support

(1 letter of objection received)

Applications for consideration

09/1820/MFUL

DEVON & CORNWALL
HOUSING ASSOCIATION

LAND OFF HOWARTH CLOSE,
SIDMOUTH.

Residential development consisting of 133 dwellings to include 1 & 2 bedroom apartments and 2, 3 & 4 bedroom houses. Including associated parking, highways, landscaping, open space and drainage works.

Support.

Sidmouth Town Council welcomes the provision of much needed affordable housing for local people.

However, concern was expressed regarding the following:-

- Lack of parking spaces for visitors and service vehicles and Sidmouth Town Council would ask for an increase, also, in the number of parking places and tracks for bicycles.
- The run off of water. A tanked storage system and attenuation pond would ensure that flood risk is not increased.
- Devon and Cornwall Housing Association plan to move the Children's Play Area to the lower end of the new estate. This is considered to be an unsuitable site as it would be too far away for parental supervision and the safety of children from Bakers Close, Howarth Close and Lock Close.
- The Town Council would prefer to see the football/recreation field remain where it is at present and would ask that the District Council consider keeping the present football pitch and hopefully improve it and conserve the nature around it.

(3 letters of comment and 1 petition received)

(Councillor Mrs Jolly left the meeting before discussion of the next item)

09/1980/LBC

MR P CLINCH

THE BARN & PINN COTTAGE,
SIDMOUTH.

Proposed listed building consent for internal alterations to outbuilding for the conversion of existing managers accommodation to letting rooms.

Support

09/1991/FUL

MR A JARRETT

4 RIDGEWAY MEAD,
SIDMOUTH.

Proposed two storey extension.

Support

(It was noted that the Applicant is related to the Town Clerk)

09/2004/FUL MR G NEAL 1 SUMMERFIELD,
SIDMOUTH.
Retention of single storey garage and
dining room extensions and loft
conversion including dormer windows.
(Amendments to 09/0708/FUL).

Support

09/2050/FUL MR M STEVENS 24 WINSLADE ROAD,
SIDMOUTH.
Alterations to access.

Support

09/2057/FUL RIDGEWAY RESIDENTIAL RIDGEWAY,
HOME PARTNERSHIP SALCOMBE HILL ROAD,
SIDMOUTH.
Proposed two storey extension.

Three Members had declared an interest and the Committee was not quorate. The following recommendation was therefore made as a Chairman's Decision.

Support

*(Cllr Mrs Carr declared an interest)
(Cllrs Pollentine and Brokenshire declared an interest and left the Chamber)*

09/1886/TCA MR EDEN REDSTOCK,
BICKWELL VALLEY,
SIDMOUTH.
Reduce three branches on one Willow.
Crown lift one Ash tree to four metres.

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

09:10/P13 UNSUPPORTED DECISIONS

09:10/P13.1 Planning Application No. 09/1610/FUL
The Radjel, Knowle Drive, Sidmouth.
Proposed two storey side extension.

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Support Refuse

09:10/P13.2 Planning Application No. 09/1674/FUL
Coastlands, Laskeys Lane, Sidmouth

Proposed conservatory, single storey extension, removal of chimney
and alterations to access.

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Unable to Support Granted

09:10/P14 ENFORCEMENT LETTERS

09:10/P14.1 4 Sea View Terrace, Sidmouth – Decking and shed.

A letter was reported from East Devon District Council in connection with the construction of a timber deck and shed at the rear of 4 Sea View Terrace, Sidmouth.

An application for planning permission is required to retain this timber decking and shed due to its height above ground level and being outside of the designated curtilage (garden) of the premises.

With a view to regularising this matter, the owner had been requested to apply for the necessary permission within 28 days.

09:10/P14.2

Cards And News 50 High Street Sidmouth

New signs on a listed building within a Conservation Area

A letter was reported from East Devon District Council in connection with the fascia sign at the above premises which has been changed and now reads 'Coles'.

The property is grade II listed and falls within the Sidmouth Town Conservation Area. The replacement sign requires listed building consent because it represents a material alteration to the listed building. This should have been applied for in advance of the works. The lettering that has been erected is brown plastic and relatively large. This is unlikely to be acceptable on a listed building.

The owner had been requested to:-

1. Apply retrospectively for listed building consent to retain the replacement sign.
2. Apply for listed building consent for a replacement sign, and once approved, replace the sign in accordance with the permission.

The owner was advised to contact the Conservation Officer for further advice as to what materials and style would be considered acceptable.

09:10/P15

MATTERS OF REPORT

Temporary Road closure Order.

A Temporary Road Closure Order was reported in respect of the B3176 Station Road, Sidmouth, from the junction with Peaslands Road and junction with All Saints Road from Wednesday 21st October to Friday 23rd October 2009, to enable Devon County Council Highways to carry out resurfacing works.

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CHAIRMAN OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE