

MINUTES OF

SIDMOUTH TOWN COUNCIL'S

PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING

HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 11TH MAY, 2011.

AT 6.30. P.M.

WOOLCOMBE HOUSE, WOOLCOMBE LANE,

SIDMOUTH, DEVON.

Members present:-	Councillor	I.J. McKenzie-Edwards (Chairman)
	“	J.W.Hollick (Vice-Chairman)
	“	J.G.T. Dyson
	“	G.K. Liverton
	“	S.P. Pollentine
	“	P. Sullivan
	“	J. Turner

11:05/P1 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors D.S. Barratt and Mrs M. Jolly.

Councillor S.J. Brokenshire, Mrs S. Carr, Dr D.S. Fung, S. Hughes, A.W.J. Reed and C.H. Wale were absent from the meeting.

11:05/P2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Declarations of Interest were received as follows :-

11:05/P4	11/0676/TRE	Cllr McKenzie-Edwards	<i>Personal – Wife uses services of Hillsdon Management</i>
11:05/P4	11/0676/TRE	Trina Jarrett, Town Clerk.	<i>Personal – Son is Director of Hillsdon Management.</i>
11:05/P4	11/0708/TRE	Cllr Dyson	<i>Personal – Near neighbour</i>

11:05/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.

11:05/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.

Amended plans

10/1821/FUL

MR I RANCE

LAND WEST OF COMBE HAYES,
SIDMOUTH.

Proposed residential development – 21
units including 8 affordable dwellings and
associated access and landscaping works.

Whilst the Council appreciates the protection of the Eucalyptus tree the Council is still unable to support for the following reasons:-

- The design is inappropriate and the appearance aesthetically unpleasant and out of keeping. Better designs encompassing ecological features are found elsewhere and should be used on this site.
- It is considered that the division of the site is to be commended as it relieves traffic from Combe Hayes and Manstone Mead.
- When any development takes place all traffic should enter and leave the site via Stowford on the West.
- It is to be hoped that when the 'affordable' housing is built it will be offered and available to those with local contacts.

Applications for consideration

11/0723/FUL

MR & MRS DONOVAN

MAPLE TREE COTTAGE,
MANSTONE LANE,
SIDMOUTH.

Construction of single storey rear
extension.

Support

11/0782/FUL

MISS D LAKE

82 TEMPLE STREET,
SIDMOUTH.

Construction of 2 storey rear extension to
replace an existing single storey
extension.

Support

11/0815/LBC

MS W WALDEN-TILL

CLOVELLY HOUSE,
44 HIGH STREET,
SIDMOUTH.

Remove external restaurant paraphernalia
and internal works including installation
of new partition wall and doors,
upgrading of electrical and central heating
system and adding of balustrade.

Support

11/0898/FUL

MR G ROE

BULVERTON HOUSE,
BULVERTON,
SIDMOUTH.

Conversion of workshop / outbuildings
to provide 3 holiday units to include
single storey extension and modification
of boundary wall.

Support

11/0899/LBC	MR G ROE	BULVERTON HOUSE, BULVERTON, SIDMOUTH. Conversion of workshop / outbuildings to provide 3 holiday units to include single storey extension and modification of boundary wall.
Support		
11/0935/LBC	LADY SUSAN BUDD	LITTLE MYRTLE, MILLFORD ROAD, SIDMOUTH. Relocation of doorway to utility room and blocking of two internal doorways into sitting room.
Support		
11/0943/FUL	MR CHRISTOPHER DOWN	BERRYDOWN, 9 WEST PARK ROAD, SIDMOUTH. Retention of summerhouse and erection of shed.
Support		
11/0951/FUL	MR & MRS P COLTART	1 ARCOT GARDENS, SIDMOUTH. Erection of two storey side extension and single storey rear extension.
Support		
11/0959/FUL	MR & MRS D RATCLIFFE	4 STEVENS LANE, SIDMOUTH. Single storey extension, re-roofing of conservatory and revised vehicular access.
Support		
11/0970/FUL	MRS GAIL LEMARE	46 FLEMING AVENUE, SIDFORD. Two storey side and single storey rear extension.
Support		
11/0676/TRE	HILLSDON MANAGEMENT LTD .	BRINKBURN COURT, MANOR ROAD, SIDMOUTH. T1 Monterey Cypress and T2 Lawson Cypress : Fell.

Split Decision as per the comments made in the Arboricultural Officers Report:-

Approve T1, Monterey Cypress: Fell

1. The works hereby consented to shall be carried out within a period of 2 years from the date of this decision notice. (Reason - To ensure that the works are carried out within a reasonable period of time.)
2. A replacement tree shall be planted as close as practicable to the same location in the first planting season following the felling of the tree hereby permitted to be removed. The replacement tree shall be a minimum of 8 -10cm in girth and shall be maintained for a period of five years; such maintenance to include the replacement of the tree should it die. The species of the tree shall be selected from the following list:
Ginkgo biloba (Maidenhair Tree)
Metasequoia glyptostroboides (Dawn Redwood).
(Reason - To maintain continuity of tree cover and compensate for the loss of amenity.)

Refuse T2, Western Red Cedar: Fell.

The tree contributes to the amenity and character of the area. The applicants have not satisfactorily demonstrated the removal of this tree is necessary following the felling of T1.

(Cllr McKenzie-Edwards and the Town Clerk declared an interest)

(3 letters of objection received)

11/0708/TRE

MRS G DENTON

HIGH TREES,
MANOR ROAD,
SIDMOUTH.
Fell one Lime tree.

Refuse as per the comments made in the Arboricultural Officers Report:-

Reason (The tree is part of a loose lineal tree feature and is visible from Manor Road, Cunningham Lane and surrounding properties. The tree is growing close to the properties northern boundary and any shade cast by this tree over the applicant vegetable garden will be relatively minor and there are numerous other areas around the applicant garden where fruit and vegetable can be cultivated away from tree constraints. The tree contributes to the amenity and biodiversity of the area and consent has already been given for the cyclical re-pollarding of the tree).

(Cllr Dyson declared an interest and left the Chamber)

11/0691/TCA

MR RUDD

CAROLCREST,
BICKWELL VALLEY,
SIDMOUTH.
Fell 1 Eucalyptus.

Approve. Subject to the comments made in the Arboricultural Officers Report.

11/0780/TRE

MRS E HOLDEN

TUDOR HOUSE,
CONNAUGHT CLOSE,
SIDMOUTH.
T1 Holm Oak – crown reduction.

Approve. Subject to the comments made in the Arboricultural Officers Report.

TREE MATTERS

Notification of potentially exempt works on trees at
103 Peaslands Road, Sidmouth.

The Clerk reported a letter from East Devon District Council advising that works were to be carried out on various trees which were considered to be exempt from the usual requirements of the tree protection legislation.

The works in question were considered to be exempt from the normal requirement to seek the consent of the District Council due to the trees considered to be of insufficient age to be covered by a Tree Preservation Order.

11:05/P5 UNSUPPORTED DECISIONS

No unsupported decisions were received.

11:05/P6 ENFORCEMENT LETTERS

No enforcement letters were received.

11:05/P7 MATTERS OF REPORT

11:05/P7.1 Planning Application No. 11/0468/FUL
Royal Devon & Exeter Foundation Trust
Demolition of existing building and erection of two storey extension.

The Clerk reported that the above application had been withdrawn.

11:05/P7.2 Next meeting of the Planning Committee

The Chairman reminded Members that the next meeting of the Planning Committee would commence at the Methodist Church Hall at 6.30 p.m. on Tuesday 24th May and conclude the following day (Wednesday 25th May) returning to Woolcombe House.

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CHAIRMAN OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE

