

## **EAST DEVON DISTRICT COUNCIL**

### **Minutes of the meeting of the Consultative Planning Committee held online via zoom on 4 August 2021**

#### **Attendance list at end of document**

The meeting started at 10.02 am and ended at 2.03 pm. The meeting was adjourned at 12:42pm and reconvened at 1pm.

#### **28 Minutes of the previous meeting**

The minutes of the Planning Committee held on 15 July 2021 were recommended to senior officers for approval.

#### **29 Declarations of interest**

Minute 32. 21/1058/FUL (Minor) - AXMINSTER.

Councillors Kim Bloxham, Sarah Chamberlain, Olly Davey, Bruce De Saram, Steve Gazzard, David Key, Geoff Pook, Geoff Pratt, Philip Skinner, Tony Woodward, Personal, In accordance with the code of good practice for Councillors and Officers dealing with planning matters as set out in the Constitution advised lobbying in respect of this application.

Minute 34. 21/0587/FUL (Minor) EXMOUTH HALSDON.

Councillors Olly Davey, Bruce De Saram, Steve Gazzard Personal, Exmouth Town Councillor.

Minute 34. 21/0587/FUL (Minor) EXMOUTH HALSDON.

Councillors Kim Bloxham, Olly Davey, Bruce De Saram, Steve Gazzard, Richard Lawrence, Geoff Pook, Philip Skinner, Tony Woodward, Eileen Wragg, Personal, In accordance with the code of good practice for Councillors and Officers dealing with planning matters as set out in the Constitution advised lobbying in respect of this application.

Minute 34. 21/0587/FUL (Minor) EXMOUTH HALSDON.

Councillor Philip Skinner, Personal, Received a vitriolic email from the applicant and requested to be removed to the virtual lobby during discussion and voting for this application. Councillor Skinner was removed to the virtual lobby during the application and did not take part in discussion and did not vote.

Minute 35. 21/1420/VAR (Minor) - HONITON ST MICHAELS.

Councillor Geoff Pook, Personal, Previous owner of the site before it was developed.

Minute 37. 21/1132/FUL (Minor) - SIDMOUTH SIDFORD.

Councillors Kim Bloxham, Bruce De Saram, Sarah Chamberlain, Olly Davey, Steve Gazzard, David Key, Geoff Pook, Philip Skinner, Tony Woodward, Eileen Wragg, Personal, In accordance with the code of good practice for Councillors and Officers dealing with planning matters as set out in the Constitution advised lobbying in respect of this application.

#### **30 Appeal status report 2020 - 2021**

The Development Manager updated Members on the planning appeals status report that provided an overview of planning appeals from 1 April 202 to 31 March 2021.

Members noted that out of the 44 appeal decisions determined for the year only 14 had been allowed. The Development Manager advised this equated to a 68% success rate which fell short of the Council's target of 70% and was also below last year's success rate of 75%. He advised that out of the 44 appeals decisions allowed one had been an informal hearing with the remainder determined by written representations highlighting that out of the 14 decisions allowed five related to committee items, four of which had been overturned and one went with officer recommendation.

The Development Manager highlighted a key point for Members to take into consideration when determining planning applications in relation to the continued difficulty of winning appeals for householder extensions. Members noted that the council only had a 50% success rate on these appeals and that the trend could be an explanation for the small drop in performance.

The Development Manager updated Members on the six applications for full awards on appeal costs against the council and advised all six applications had been refused.

The Committee acknowledged the report and its contents.

31 **Planning appeal statistics**

The Committee noted the Development Manager's report setting out a list of five planning appeals, all of which were dismissed.

32 **21/1058/FUL (Minor) - AXMINSTER**

**Applicant:**

Mr & Mrs J Bostock.

**Location:**

Rose Farm, Wyke, Axminster, EX13 8TN.

**Proposal:**

Erection of open fronted general storage barn.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Of approval contrary to officer recommendation.

Members considered that a need for the building had been demonstrated, that there was no harmful visual impact upon the countryside and no harm to the setting of nearby heritage assets. Conditions should be delegated to the Development Manager in consultation with the Ward Members and Chair of Planning Committee.

33 **21/0954/FUL (Minor) - DUNKESWELL & OTTERHEAD**

**Applicant:**

Mr Richard Jones.

**Location:**

61 Jenwood Road, Dunkeswell, Honiton, EX14 4UY.

**Proposal:**

Change of use and alterations to detached double garage to create an annexe for use by family.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Of refusal as per officer recommendation.

34 **21/0587/FUL (Minor) EXMOUTH HALSDON**

**Applicant:**

Mrs Demelza Tucker (Skinner Construction Limited).

**Location:**

21 Hulham Road, Exmouth, EX8 3JZ.

**Proposal:**

Construction of replacement dwelling and garage.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Of approval as per officer recommendation but with the deletion of repeated Condition 7.

35 **21/1420/VAR (Minor) - HONITON ST MICHAELS**

**Applicant:**

Mr Craig Bernhardt.

**Location:**

Unit 5 Weston Park, Devonshire Road, Heathpark Industrial Estate, Honiton, EX14 1ST

**Proposal:**

Variation of Condition 1 (extension to opening hours) of 19/2150/VAR.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Of approval as per officer recommendation but subject to revised wording to Condition 1 to replace 06:00 with 07:00 hours and approval of the Noise Management Plan in consultation with Ward Members.

36 **21/0891/FUL (Minor) - SEATON**

**Applicant:**

Wilkins.

**Location:**

Hook and Parrot Inn, East Walk, Seaton, EX12 2LN.

**Proposal:**

Demolition of existing public house and three residential apartments and construction of replacement bar/restaurant and nine apartments.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Of deferral for further consultation and information in relation to the land outside of the application site and to enable negotiation between officers and the applicant to address the issues and concerns raised in the Committee Report and during discussion.

37 **21/1132/FUL (Minor) - SIDMOUTH SIDFORD**

**Applicant:**

Mr & Mrs Paley.

**Location:**

Land to the rear of Trow View, Two Bridges Road, Sidford, Sidmouth, EX10 9PL.

**Proposal:**

Construction of one detached dwelling and private driveway on land to rear of Trow View.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Of approval as per officer recommendation.

**Attendance List**

**Councillors present (for some or all of the meeting)**

E Wragg (Chair)

S Chamberlain (Vice-Chair)

K Bloxham

C Brown

O Davey

B De Saram

S Gazzard

D Key

R Lawrence

G Pook

G Pratt

P Skinner

T Woodward

**Councillors also present (for some or all the meeting)**

M Allen

M Armstrong

P Arnott

I Hall

M Hartnell

P Hayward

S Jackson

G Jung

D Ledger

P Millar

A Moulding

M Rixson

J Rowland

**Officers in attendance:**

Chris Rose, Development Manager  
Shirley Shaw, Planning Barrister  
Wendy Harris, Democratic Services Officer  
Anita Williams, Principal Solicitor (and Deputy Monitoring Officer)  
Amanda Coombes, Democratic Services Officer

**Councillor apologies:**

M Howe  
J Whibley  
C Wright

Chairman .....

Date: .....