

**Minutes of the Planning Committee meeting of Honiton Town Council on
Tuesday 28th February 2023 at 7.00 pm.**

Members present

St Michael's Ward

Cllr R Fowles (Chair)

St Paul's Ward

Cllr S Sexton

Cllr J Furneaux-Gotch

Cllr A Pearsall

In Attendance

Heloise Marlow (Deputy Town Clerk)

3 members of the public

22/127/P To accept apologies for absence

Cllr K Cloke (personal)

Cllr D Hulin (personal)

Cllr A Proszowska (personal)

22/128/P To receive declarations of interest in items on the agenda and receipt of requests for new DPI dispensations.

H Marlow (Deputy Town Clerk) – 22/2712/FUL – Hamblys Ltd, Ottery Moor Lane, Honiton, EX14 1BW. Proposed refurbishment and reconfiguration of depot including new parking area, new palisade security fencing, demolition of existing store and construction of new storage building. Personal Interest – Spouse is the applicant's agent.

Cllr S Sexton – 23/0336/FUL – 18 Minifie Road, Honiton, EX14 1NF. Proposed two storey side extension, single storey rear extension and an outbuilding in the garden. Applicant is an acquaintance.

22/129/P Public Questions

Mrs Olive Deaville read out the [attached statement](#).

Cllr Fowles confirmed that planning application 23/0331/MOUT – Land at Middle Northcote Farm, Honiton, EX14 4PR would be on the agenda of the next Planning Committee meeting on 14th March 2023 for consideration.

Members RESOLVED unanimously to carry out a site visit prior to the Planning Committee meeting on the 14th of March 2023.

Proposed by Cllr Pearsall and seconded by Cllr Furneaux-Gotch

22/130/P To confirm the minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 18th January 2023.

Members RESOLVED unanimously to approve for accuracy the minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 18th January 2023

Proposed by Cllr Sexton and seconded by Cllr Furneaux-Gotch

22/131/P Correspondence

Members **NOTED** the correspondence received and that the issue had been superseded by the submission of application 23/0331/MOUT which would be considered at the planning committee meeting scheduled for the 14th of March 2023.

22/132/P EDDC Planning Enforcement

Members discussed a current dispute between a local business and EDDC.

The Deputy Clerk confirmed she had not yet actioned resolution 22/108/P

Committee RESOLVED unanimously to write to EDDC expressing its concern regarding public safety due to the changes in planning policy and requesting that EDDC provide a detailed response to the correspondence received and that a copy of that response be provided to the Committee.

Proposed by Cllr Pearsall and seconded by Cllr Sexton.

It was noted that further correspondence had now been received from the local business which raised issues relating to business opening hours and traffic considerations.

Committee RESOLVED unanimously to add the further information received to the letter to be sent to EDDC under resolution 22/108/P.

Proposed by Cllr Furneaux-Gotch and seconded by Cllr Pearsall.

22/133/P To consider the following applications, based on the information available:

Any District Councillors participating reserve their final views on the application until they are in full possession of all the relevant arguments for and against.

The Deputy Clerk advised that due to maintenance work being carried out on the EDDC website she had not been able to download the supporting documentation for the following applications:

23/0132/LBC – 60 High Street
23/0157/FUL – 1 Littletown Road
23/0185/FUL – 21 Oaklea
23/0278/FUL – 22 Oak View
23/0336/FUL – 18 Minifie Road
23/0361/FUL – 29 Marker Way

Members RESOLVED unanimously to defer the consideration of these applications to the planning meeting scheduled for the 14th March 2023.

Proposed by Cllr Fowles and seconded by Cllr Sexton.

22/2690/LBC	Westcotts (SW) LLP	<p>Westcotts, 42-44 Queens House New Street Honiton EX14 1BJ</p> <p>Retention of new signage on front southwest elevation.</p>
Unanimous SUPPORT subject to the agreement of the Conservation Officer.		
22/2712/FUL	The Barrett Partnership Ltd	<p>Hamblys Ltd Ottery Moor Lane Honiton EX14 1BW</p> <p>Proposed refurbishment and reconfiguration of depot including new palisade security fencing, partial demolition of existing store and construction of new storage building. <i>Amended plans received relating to new parking area omitted, external wall finishes amended and rear wall of demolished store to be retained to provide a screen to neighbouring properties.</i></p>
Unanimous SUPPORT		
22/2769/FUL	Hopkins Estates Ltd	<p>Land at Heathpark Devonshire Road Heathpark Industrial Estate Honiton</p> <p>New vehicular access off Heathpark Way, change of use from agricultural land to display and sale of motor vehicles (sui generis) and ancillary works.</p>

Unanimous SUPPORT subject to the applicant providing the additional information requested by DCC Flood and Coastal Risk Officer and the EDDC Arboricultural Officer.		
22/2784/FUL	Mrs. Sam Shute	209 Brand Road Honiton EX14 2FD A single storey side extension to replace the existing conservatory plus a two storey front extension.
Unanimous SUPPORT		
23/0062/FUL	Mr. Tim Child (East Devon District Council)	Blackdown House Border Road Heathpark Industrial Estate Honiton EX14 1EJ To site a modular accommodation pod on the over-flow car park at Blackdown House for approximately 6 months.
Unanimous SUPPORT		

22/134/P To note planning decisions, copy letters and correspondence received as per the list below and to resolve any matters arising.

Decision Notices

- a) 22/1859/TRE – St Ritas Centre, Ottery Moor Lane, Honiton, EX14 1AP. G1, Various Beech, Ash, Lime and Field Maple trees - crown lift to approximately 4m over road & reduce overhanging branches by up to 2m in length. MDC 50mm. D1, D2, Dead Elm - Fell. D3, Dead Ash - Fell. T1, Multi-stemmed Ash - Reduce branches growing over football club roof by no more than 2m in length, MDC 50 mm. T2, Chamaecyparis Elwoodii Conifer - remove 1 leaning branch MDC 50 mm. Reasons for all works are to maintain the health of the trees and to maintain the health and safety of both the public and road users as these are highly frequented areas. Approved.

- b) 22/2209/FUL – Claywell, New Street, Honiton, EX14 1BU. Replacement side extension, conversion of side extension from store to home office, alterations to fenestration and associated works. Approved.
- c) 22/2210/FUL – Claywell, New Street, Honiton, EX14 1BU. Replacement side extension, conversion of side extension from store to home office, alterations to fenestration and associated works. Approved.
- d) 22/2490/FUL – 4 Minifie Road, Honiton, EX14 1NF. Construction of a single storey 1-bed detached dwelling. Refused.
- e) 22/2569/TRE- The Coach House, Exeter Road, Honiton, EX14 1AL. Yews (G1) – reduce trees via thinning, removing branch and lengths up to 2.5m, making cuts no bigger than 50mm. Possibly making one cut up to 80mm at the top of the tree. Approved.
- f) 22/2700/FUL – Bruvs Bar, 102 High Street, Honiton, EX14 1JW. Rebuilding of the east boundary stone wall to match existing. Approved.
- g) 22/2701/LBC – Bruvs Bar, 102 High Street, Honiton, EX14 1JW. Rebuilding of the east boundary stone wall to match existing. Approved.
- h) 22/2827/FUL – 24 Sawmills Way, Honiton, EX14 2DU. Construction of single storey rear extension. Approved.
- i) 22/2842.TCA – 12-14 Dowell Street, Honiton, EX14 1LT. T1, Willow: prune and re-pollard to past historic points, removing branch lengths of up to 4 metres, making natural target pruning cuts up to 100mm. T2, Cherry: prune by reducing branch lengths of the whole crown by 1 metre in length and leaving the trees total height to approximately 5 metres above ground level. Approved.
- j) 23/0002/FUL – 77 Willow Walk, Honiton, EX14 2FY. Proposed single storey rear extension and garden office/outbuilding. Approved.

Notifications

- a) 23/0330/PRETDD – 31 Biddington Way, Honiton, EX14 2GU. Notification of Tree Works Considered an Exemption to 92/0015/TPO. Remove 1 x torn, hung-up branch from 1 x Oak tree, making 1 pruning cut of 50mm in diameter and pruning the branch tips by 1.5m, making natural target pruning cuts of a maximum of 25mm. Approved.

The decisions listed above were **NOTED**.

22/135/P To close the meeting.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 20.20pm.

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