

**Minutes of the Planning Committee
Meeting on Monday 29th July 2024**

Present:

Chairman: Cllr P Burrows

Councillors: K Beer, E Bowman & J Russell

Public: No members of the public were present

40. Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Cllr Hartnell and Cllr Singh.

41. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

42. Minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on Monday 8th July 2024

The Committee **RESOLVED** to agree the minutes of the meeting held on 8th July 2024.

(moved Cllr Beer; seconded Cllr Russell)

43. 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 the subsequent vote is on the basis that the views expressed are preliminary views taking account of the information presently made available to the Town Council. The District Councillors reserve their final views on the application until they are in full possession of all the relevant arguments for and against.

44. Environment Policy

Members are reminded that in reaching decisions they should take into consideration the Town Council's Environment Policy that the Planning Committee will consider sustainability, environmental impact and biodiversity when commenting on planning applications in Seaton

45. Public Question Time

There were no questions raised by members of the public.

Applications for consideration:

46. 24/1276/FUL Mr Sarai & Mrs Raven-Sarai 11 Townsend Avenue, Seaton



EX12 2BE

Roof installation of three dormer windows and solar panelling to south facing elevation.

The Committee **RESOLVED** to propose no objection to the application.
(moved Cllr Beer; seconded Cllr Russell)

47. 24/0387/FUL Mrs Gardner

**White Cross, Colyford Road,
Seaton EX12 2SN**
Amended plans for consultation.
**These amendments relate to:
Revised layout, revised
elevations and extra
arboricultural information.**

The Committee **RESOLVED** to propose no objection to the amended plans for this application.
(moved Cllr Burrows; seconded Cllr Russell)

48. 24/1327/FUL Mr Doug Fuller

**Portlight, Bunts Lane, Seaton
EX12 2HU**
Construction of extension to existing garage.

The Chairman, Cllr Burrows, had received a letter of objection for this application along with photographs which he showed to the Planning Committee prior to the commencement of the meeting.

The Committee **RESOLVED** to propose no objection to the application.
(moved Cllr Burrows; seconded Cllr Bowman)

49. 24/1376/FUL Keith and Anne Hide

**27 Scalwell Mead, Seaton EX12
2DW**
Creation of raised terrace to side and rear gardens to create level amenity area and construction of 2m fence (retrospective).

Discussion took place around:

- The application states that it is a 2m high fence which has been installed on top of a retaining wall. In Scalwell Mead and Scalwell Park the front gardens are mostly open plan with a lawn and the creation of a raised terrace to the side and rear

garden and construction of the fence are overbearing and out of character within the streetscene.

The Committee **RESOLVED** to object to the application on the grounds of:

- The fencing being constructed on top of a retaining wall increases the height of the fence to over two metres and is out of character within the streetscene as the surrounding properties mainly have an open aspect to their front gardens.

(moved Cllr Burrows; seconded Cllr Bowman)

50. 24/1484/TRE The Tree Guy Devon Ltd

**Hamilton Lodge, Colyford Road,
Seaton EX12 2SN**

T1, Oak tree: 2-3m crown reduction

The Committee **RESOLVED** to propose no objection to the application and would support the recommendations of the East Devon District Council's Arboricultural Officer.
(moved Cllr Burrows; seconded Cllr Beer)

51. Appeals

Planning application number 23/2167/FUL – Tanyards Court, Beer Road, Seaton EX12 2PA.

Erection of seagull netting on roof of Tanyards Court (Retrospective).

To note that an appeal has been lodged by the applicant in respect of the above application. Seaton Town Council proposed no objections to the application.

52. Planning Comments

Comments to be circulated in respect of planning application 24/1376/FUL.

53. Decisions

To note planning decisions made by East Devon District Council:

- a) **24/0898/TRE – 1 Honey Ditches Drive, Seaton T1, Macrocarpa**; Crown reduce by up to 3m height and reshape leaving a balanced and uniform shape. Crown thin by up to 15%. Remove broken branch stubs back to sound healing points, crossing branches and deadwood down to 50 mm. diameter. T3, Birch; Fell. Reason; Appropriate Arb management – **DECIDED** split decision. **Permission granted for T1, Macrocarpa**; Crown reduce by up to 3m height and reshape leaving a balanced and uniform shape. Remove broken branch stubs back to sound healing points, and deadwood down to 50 mm. diameter. T3, Birch; Fell. **Permission refused for T1, Macrocarpa**; Crown thin by up to 15%. Remove crossing branches. Crown thinning is not considered to be the most suitable method of achieving a reduction of the loading on the branches and main stem of the tree. This is because it does not reduce leverage and may actually increase the chance of branch failures, by exposing the

remaining branches to increased wind loading (BS3998 2010). The proposed removal of crossing branches is considered too vague, without any obvious benefits and could result in the needless removal of perfectly healthy foliage bearing branches, this would affect the tree in a negative way by reducing its photosynthetic capacity and its impacting its ability to carry out normal physiological functions.

- b) **24/0948/FUL – 61 Wychall Park Seaton** Removal of existing garage and construction of new single storey extension on west elevation – **APPROVED** with conditions.
- c) **24/1078/FUL – 16 Meadow Road, Seaton** Proposed single storey extension and front porch – **APPROVED** with conditions.
- d) **24/1304/CPL – 8 Court Lane, Seaton** Certificate of Proposed Lawful Development for a single storey ground floor side extension on the west elevation
CPL Approve Part 1 – no consultations were requested for this application.
- e) **24/0944/FUL – 2 Littlefields, Seaton** Demolition of conservatory and erection of rear single storey extension with raised patio area – **APPROVED** with conditions.

The meeting closed at 5.54pm.

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