



Planning and Licensing Committee meeting

held on

Thursday 24 March 2016 commencing at 6.00pm at Cullompton Town Hall

Membership: Councillors Gordon Guest (Chair), Rachel Sinclair, Janet Johns, Anthony Buczkowski, Eileen Andrews, Chris Standford, Kathryn Haslett, Deborah Christopher.

Those present: Councillors Janet Johns, Anthony Buczkowski, Eileen Andrews, Kathryn Haslett.

Liz Pickering (Forward Planning Officer) – Mid Devon District Council

The Assistant Town Clerk (Clerk)

In the absence of both the Chair and Vice-Chair, Councillor Anthony Buczkowski elected Chair. Proposed Councillor Janet Johns, seconded Councillor Eileen Andrews. Before the meeting commenced, Councillor Anthony Buczkowski apologised for his behaviour at the last meeting of the Planning and Licensing Committee.

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182. **Apologies:** The following apologies were received and accepted:
- Gordon Guest (personal), Rachel Sinclair (illness)
183. **Declarations of Interests:** There were no declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests and personal interests.
184. **Minutes:** The Minutes of the Planning and Licensing Committee meeting held on 10 March 2015 were adopted as a true and correct record of the meeting and signed as such. Proposed Councillor Anthony Buczkowski, seconded Councillor Eileen Andrews.
185. **Public question time:** As there were no members of the public present, this section of the meeting did not take place.
186. **Chairman's Announcements.** The Chairman had no announcements to make.

187. **Consultation:** Presentation and discussion with MDDC concerning the current consultation on the “Landscape Implications of Solar PV Proposals – Supplementary Planning Document (SPD).”

Liz Pickering of Mid Devon District Council discussed the Supplementary Planning Document on the Landscape Implications of Solar PV Proposals. In it, the visual impact of small, medium and large scale developments of solar PV arrays have been assessed on a district wide level and the SPD has been written to form a consistent evidence base on which to base determinations of Solar PV proposals in the District. It has also provided professional advice on the sensitivity of the landscape on which they are proposed and will add weight to the Planning Authority’s position should a refusal of such an application be appealed.

The Committee will consider the SPD and inform the Assistant Town Clerk of their comments no later than 29 March 2016.

188. **Planning and Licensing matters:**

- a. To consider and make comment on planning applications received for Cullompton 21 and available to view at the [Planning Portal](#):

There are no Planning Applications to consider.

- b. To receive planning determinations and consider any other planning matters brought forward at the discretion of the Chair.

There were no planning determinations to receive.

- c. To consider applications from neighbouring parishes.

There were no applications from neighbouring parishes to consider.

189. **Neighbourhood Plan Update:** Councillor Anthony Buczkowski has spoken to Michael Speirs about the need to include a policy in the Neighbourhood Plan to provide for self builders to erect dwellings. The matter will be discussed by the Neighbourhood Plan Working Group in due course.

190. **Correspondence:** There was no correspondence to consider.

191. **Date and time of the next meeting:** To confirm the date and time of the next Planning Committee meeting as Thursday 14 April 2016 commencing at 6pm.