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Minutes of a meeting of the Planning and Licensing Committee held remotely on Tuesday 30 June 2020 commencing at 17:00 hrs

Those present:

Chair: Councillor G Guest

Member Councillors: E Andrews, K Haslett, J Johns, L Knight, J Lochhead, M Rowe, M Smith*

Also present: J Norris (Town Clerk), S Reardon (Meeting Administrator), Councillor J Buczkowski, 2 Members of the Public

PL10. Apologies for Absence

To receive apologies for absence from Councillors unable to attend the meeting.

There were no apologies for absence received.

PL11. Declarations of Interests:

To receive any Declarations of Interest from Councillors and Officers in respect of matters to be considered at this meeting, together with an appropriate statement regarding the nature of the interest.

Councillors and Officers are reminded of the requirement to declare any interest, including the type of interest, and reason for that interest, either at this stage of the meeting or as soon as they become aware of that interest.

- (a) **Councillor M Rowe** declared a significant personal interest in 19/01679/MFUL having objected to it and will leave the meeting whilst the debate takes place.
- (b) **Councillor G Guest** declared a personal interest in 19/01679/MFUL as he has received a number of pieces of correspondence have been received from both supporters and objectors to this application.
- (c) **Councillor J Lochhead** declared a disclosable pecuniary interest in 20/00845/FULL as the property is owned by him, he is named as an applicant and will leave the meeting whilst the debate takes place.
- (d) **Councillor E Andrews** declared a personal interest as she has received a telephone call from an objector regarding 19/01679/MFUL.

PL12. Minutes:

To confirm the minutes of the Planning and Licensing Committee meeting held on 11 June 2020 as a correct record.

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Planning and Licensing Committee is deferred due to the

incorrect date being noted on the Agenda.

PL13. Public Participation:

To allow members of the public present at the meeting to raise matters which are relevant to the work of the Committee. Up to 3 minutes will be allowed for each person.

Speaker 1: Stated that residents of Langford and are upset by the proposed Solar Farm. 150 acres turned into an industrial estate is excessive and would be unwelcome in any part of Devon and the residents of Langford feel particularly strongly about it. The flooding impact and the impact of the fence on local wildlife, including deer and the nearby bird of prey facility, are other causes of significant concern.

**Councillor M Smith joined the meeting at 1710.*

PL14. Planning Applications

The Committee is asked to consider the applications listed below, which have been received for Cullompton, and agree their comments and recommendations to be forwarded to Mid Devon District Council: full details are available to view at the Mid Devon District Council [Planning Portal](#):

- (a) **11 Hanover Gardens, Cullompton** ([20/00811/TPO](#)). Application to crown lift to 5m and crown reduce and reshape by 1.5 to 2.5m 1 beech tree protected by Tree Preservation Order No 83/00003/TPO.

RESOLVED to accept the determination of the Planning Authority.

- (b) **5 Fore Street, Cullompton** ([20/00833/FULL](#)). Change of use of ground floor from Bank (Use Class A2) to non-residential institution (Use Class D1).

RECOMMEND GRANT PERMISSION.

- (c) **Colebrooke Court, Cullompton** ([20/00845/FULL](#)). Formation of new access, construction of track and realignment of existing wall.

RESOLVED that there is no comment made by Cullompton Town Council on this application as it has been made by a member of Cullompton Town Council and that the determination of the Planning Authority will be accepted.

- (d) **Court House Residential Home** ([20/00796/FULL](#)). Erection of a conservatory.

RECOMMEND GRANT PERMISSION.

PL15. Land at NGR 303437 103555 East of Langford Mill and Tye Farm, Langford ([19/01679/MFUL](#)).

Construction of ground-mounted solar PV panels to generate up to 49.9mW (Site Area 60.78ha) and battery storage facility together with all associated works, equipment and necessary infrastructure. This application has been put on the agenda at the request of Councillor Rowe, please see Supporting Paper B.

1 additional member of the public was admitted at 1731.

RESOLVED that the application is referred to the Town Council for consideration and recommendation.

PL16. Mid Devon District Council Consultation on the draft Design Guide

To consider the Planning Authority's draft [Design Guide Supplementary Planning Document](#) and to respond to the consultation: due 6 July 2020.

RESOLVED that the response matter of the Planning Authority's Design Guide Supplementary Planning Document is referred to the Town Council for consideration and to formulate a response as it can be considered as a Planning Policy Document.