EXMOUTH TOWN COUNCIL
Minutes of the Meeting of Exmouth Town Council Planning Committee held in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, St Andrews Road, Exmouth on Monday 2 March 2026 at 6:15pm

Present:

Councillor Joe Whibley (Chair)
Councillor Tim Dumper
Councillor Dianne Conduit
Councillor Graham Deasy
Councillor Andrew Woodward

Apologies:

Councillor Andrew Colman
Councillor Cherry Nicholas
Councillor David Poor
Councillor Mike Rosser

Public Speaking Time

None

P26/034. Minutes of the previous meetings and decisions under delegated authority

It was proposed by Councillor T Dumper, seconded by Councillor G Deasy, and agreed that the minutes of the previous meeting held on 16 February 2026.

P25/035. To receive any declarations of interests from members:

Minute P26/031. Other items - Licensing
Councillors J Whibley and T Dumper declared a Other Registerable interest as a member of East Devon District Council's Licencing and Enforcement Committee.

P26/036. Urgent business.

None

P26/037. Tree and advertising consent applications.

HALSDON

Planning Application No: 26/0082/TRE

Location: 172 Exeter Road, EX8 3DZ
Applicant: Mrs Eileen Jeffs
Proposal: T1: Liquidambar – fell (subsidence)

Target date: 12.03.26

Comments Statutory Consultees:
Tree Officer's report previously circulated for information.
Recommendation – **REFUSAL** on the grounds it is not supported by the required technical evidence to demonstrate that the tree is the cause of the alleged subsidence. In particular, the applicant has failed to provide an Engineer's Appraisal and Structural Diagnosis, despite being advised on 26/01/2026 that this document was essential for the assessment of the claim. Without this appraisal, the authority cannot confirm causation, rule out alternative explanations for the damage, or rely on the remaining evidence.
In addition, the applicant has not demonstrated that all reasonable alternative methods of repairing or stabilising the building have been fully considered, including engineering solutions that may avoid the need for tree removal. In the absence of robust evidence, the removal of a protected high amenity value tree would be unjustified and contrary to recognised best practice.
The application should therefore be refused due to insufficient evidence and the failure to demonstrate that tree removal is necessary or that alternatives have been exhausted.

Decision: Proposed: TD Seconded: DC
Refusal in accordance with the Tree Officer's recommendation

LITTLEHAM

Planning App[illegible] No: 26/0121/TRE

APPLICATION WITHDRAWN

Location: 40 Cyp[illegible]DP
Applicant: Mr Jessica Ma[illegible]
Proposal: T001, Narrow leaved A[illegible]

Target date: 06.03.26

Comments Statutory Consultees:

Decision: Proposed: Seconded

P26/038. Planning applications.

BRIXINGTON

Planning Application No: 26/0299/FUL

Location: 93 Langstone Drive, EX8 4JB
Applicant: Michael Sinclair Munro
Proposal: Ground floor kitchen extension to the southeast elevation.

Date limit for comments: 13.03.26

Comments Statutory Consultees: None

View of representations: None

ENP Policy: EB2

Decision: Proposed: JW Seconded: TD
No objection

HALSDON

Planning Application No: 26/0037/FUL

Location: Exmouth Community College, Gipsy Lane, EX8 3AF
Applicant: Mrs Victoria Strickson (Ted Wragg Trust)
Proposal: Demolition of reinforced autoclaved aerated concrete (RAAC) containing science laboratory building, to be replaced with open area, new standing canopy and boundary fence.

Date limit for comments: 12.03.26

Comments Statutory Consultees: None

View of representations: None

ENP Policy: EB2

Decision: Proposed: TD Seconded: JW
No objection

LITTLEHAM

None

TOWN

Planning Application No: 26/0056/FUL

Location: 30/32 Parade, EX8 1RW
Applicant: Mr John Broomfield
Proposal: Creation of a new dwelling house through upwards extension including external staircase access.

Date limit for comments: 04.03.26

Comments Statutory Consultees:

View of representations:

ENP Policy:

Decision: Proposed: Seconded
Commented on application at previous meeting on 16.02.26

WITHYCOMBE RALEIGH

None

P26/039. Other items

i. **Premises Licence application received**
Ref No. 061441
Premises: Hangtime café – Unit 6 & 7 Sideshore, Queens Drive, EX8 2GD
Ward: Littleham
Name of Applicant: Hangtime Limited

Consideration was given to the above premises licence, details of the application can be viewed on EDCC's website.

Date limit for comments: 23.03.26

It was noted that the applicant needed to enforce the licensable area (which currently excludes the sea wall) or extend the licensable area to include the sea wall.

ii. **Premises Licence application received**
Ref No. 061401
Premises: Withycombe Raleigh RFC – The field, Raleigh Park, Hulham Road
Ward: Halsdon
Name of Applicant: Withycombe Rugby Football Club Ltd
TIME LIMITED premises licence application for Withystock event 18.07.26 ONLY

Consideration was given to the above premises licence, details of the application can be viewed on EDCC's website.

Date limit for comments: 13.03.26

Member did not wish to comment.

P26/040. Items for information

i. Notification of Tree Preservation Orders
Land at the site of the former Oil Petroleum and Gas Refinery, Albion Hill – 26/0008/TPO
Confirmation of the above TPO was noted, details attached.

ii. Appeal Notification
Appeal ref: 6004829
Appeal by: Leonard Taylor
Application Ref: 25/1794/VAR
Location: 7 Woodlands Drive, EX8 4QP
Proposal: Variation of condition 2 (approved plans) of planning permission Ref: 22/1375/FUL (Single storey side extension, removal of chimney stack, conversion of roof space to habitable use to include a front and rear dormer, 2 roof lights, extension to vehicular hardstanding to front, installation of vehicular hardstanding to side, installation of boundary wall to rear, porch to front with alteration to fenestration) to allow for ridge height and pitch alterations and changes to fenestration.

It was noted that an appeal had been made to the Secretary of State against the decision of East Devon District Council to refuse to grant consent for the proposed works. A copy letter was previously circulated for information.

iii. Appeal decision
Appeal ref: 6001016
Appeal by: Miss Julie Rhodes
Application Ref: 23/1277/FUL
Location: Bystock Court, Old Bystock Drive, EX8 5EQ
Proposal: 4 no cottages.

The above appeal was dismissed; the decision notice was previously circulated for information.

iv. Notification of Tree Works considered an exemption to TPO 00/0001/TPO
St Hilarian, 23 Portland Avenue, Exmouth, EX8 2BS

Copy letter was previously circulated for information.

P26/041. East Devon District Council – Planning Decisions

Application	*Exmouth Town Council View*	*EDDC Decision*
26/0130/FUL 29 Springfield Road	No objection	Approval
25/1149/FUL Police Station, North Street	Objection	Refusal
25/2176/FUL Seven Acre Corner St Johns Road	No objection	Approval
26/0039/FUL	No objection	Approval

268 Exeter Road		
25/2645/FUL 128 Rosebery Road	No objection	Approval
25/2560/FUL 26 Camperdown Terrace	No objection	Approval
25/2547/FUL 28 Camperdown Terrace	No objection	Approval
25/2416/FUL Flat 7, West Checkstone 2 Douglas Avenue	No objection	Approval
25/2200/FUL Land At Anson Road	Objection	Refusal

The meeting concluded at: 18:32

Signed..... Date.....
(Chairman)