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 11 May 2026 at 6:15pm

Present:

Councillor Joe Whibley (Chair)
Councillor Andrew Colman (arrived 19.01)
Councillor Graham Deasy
Councillor Tim Dumper
Councillor David Poor
Councillor Mike Rosser
Councillor Andrew Woodward

Apologies:

Councillor Dianne Conduit
Councillor Cherry Nicholas

Public Speaking Time

Councillor Brian Bailey spoke regarding notification of New Time Limited premises licence application received, Orcombe Point pop up bar - Orcombe Point.

P26/070. Minutes of the previous meetings and decisions under delegated authority

It was proposed by Councillor G Deasy, seconded by Councillor M Rosser, and agreed that the minutes of the previous meeting held on 27 April 2026.

P26/071. To receive any declarations of interests from members:

Minute P26/075. Other items - Licensing
Councillor J Whibley and Councillor T Dumper declared a Non-Registerable Interest as a members of the District Council's Licensing Committee.

Minute P26/074. Planning Application 26/0519/LBC 2 Montpellier Road, EX8 1JN
Councillor J Whibley declared a non-registrable interest as he knew the applicant.

Minute P26/074. Planning Application 26/0812/FUL Strand Gardens, The Strand
Councillor J Whibley declared a non-registrable interest due to his involvement as a District Councillor.

Minute P26/074. Planning Application 26/0812/FUL Strand Gardens, The Strand
Councillor T Dumper declared a non-registrable interest due as a Ward member at the District Council.

P26/072. Urgent business.

None

P26/073. Tree and advertising consent applications.

LITTLEHAM

Planning Application No: 26/0451/TRE

Location: Pegasus Court 88 Salterton Road, EX8 2NN
Applicant: Mrs Julie Chapman
Proposal: 5 x Hornbeam - Reduce side crown spread of each by 30-40cm, maximum diameter of cut (MDC) 15mm. Crown raise lower limbs to 1.5m above ground level, MDC 25mm.

Comments Statutory Consultees:
Tree Officer's report previously circulated for information.
Recommendation – Conditional APPROVAL:
The work hereby approved shall be limited to:
5 x Hornbeam - Reduce side crown spread of each by 30-40cm, maximum diameter of cut (MDC) 15mm as per the annotated photograph. Crown raise lower limbs to 1.5m above ground level, MDC 25mm.
Please note, that the trees are not to be reduced in height. Consent is granted only for the reduction in width of the trees and a minor crown lift.
Reason: to limit the extent of works in the interest of amenity and sound arboricultural works.

Decision: Proposed: DP Seconded: Mr
Approval in accordance with the Tree Officer's report.

P26/074. Planning applications.

BRIXINGTON

None

HALSDON

None

LITTLEHAM

Planning Application No: 26/0761/VAR

Location: 12 Greenhill Avenue, EX8 2LQ
Applicant: Joanne Gibson - Tapper
Proposal: Variation of condition 1 (Plans) of planning permission 25/1865/FUL (Proposed single storey rear extension) to revise the rooflight type from a flat rooflight to a lantern rooflight.

Date limit for comments: 18.05.26

Comments Statutory Consultees:
SWW – do not wish to comment.

View of representations: None

ENP Policy: EB2

Decision: Proposed: GD Seconded: MR
No objection

Planning application No: 26/0779/VAR

Location: 16 Raddenstile Lane, EX8 2JH
Applicant: Mr Wayne Grounsell
Proposal: Variation of Condition 2 (approved Plans) on planning permission 25/0551/FUL (Proposed detached garage with ancillary accommodation to the loft space) design change allowing for external staircase and privacy screen to the south west elevation

Date limit for comments: 20.05.26

Comments Statutory Consultees: None
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View of representations: None

ENP Policy: EB2

Decision: Proposed: DP Seconded: GD
No objection

TOWN

Planning Application No: 26/0519/LBC

Location: 2 Montpellier Road, EX8 1JN
Applicant: Gary Nash
Proposal: Whole roof replacement: Remove existing tiles; replace battens, ridge and hip tiles (cemented back on or replace with dry hip and ridge system); replace lead flashing around chimney; replace lead valley with new lead; replace roof with new felt, battens and slates; existing velux window to be replaced like for like. New tiles will be fibre cement slate tiles.

Date limit for comments: 19.05.26

Comments Statutory Consultees: None
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View of representations: None

Cllr D Conduit had forwarded her comments which were shared as follows:
No objection subject to Conservation Officer's comments.

ENP Policy: EB1 (Listed)

Decision: Proposed: TD Seconded: DP
No objection subject to Conservation Officer's report.

Councillor J Whibley left the room during discussion of the above application.

Planning application No: 26/0812/FUL

Location: Strand Gardens, The Strand
Applicant: East Devon District Council
Proposal: Temporary change of use of areas of land for the placement of tables and chairs on the Strand, Exmouth until 30.09.28 on a seasonal basis from the 1st April to the end of September each year

Date limit for comments: 19.05.26

Comments Statutory Consultees:
Conservation – 07.05.26 – No objection. The proposal will enhance the conservation area by increasing its vibrancy and supporting the viability of the businesses around Strand Gardens, reducing the potential for vacant buildings. It is also fully reversible.
Environmental Health – 05.05.26 – Do not anticipate any concerns
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View of representations:
1 x Rep - The space is poorly managed with unpoliced use, late-night drinking, noise, and anti-social behaviour, turning what was once a quiet tapas bar into a disruptive, nightclub-like environment.

Cllr D Conduit had forwarded her comments which were shared as follows:
No objection subject to Conservation Officer's comments.

ENP Policy: EB1 (Conservation), EB2

Decision: Proposed: MR Seconded: GD
No objection; however, concerns were expressed regarding visual clutter and a lack of uniformity in The Strand. Members considered that these matters would be addressed and mitigated through the licence to occupy.

Councillor J Whibley left the room during discussion of the above application.

WITHYCOMBE RALEIGH

None

P26/075. Other items

i. Notification of New Time Limited premises licence application received.
Ref No. 061692
Premises: Orcombe Point pop up bar - Orcombe Point
Ward: Exmouth Littleham ward
Name of Applicant: Can Do Pub Company Ltd

TIME LIMITED Premises Licence Application for a Pop Up Bar at Orcombe Point, Exmouth - The Pop-Up Bar will operate for a maximum of 60 days during the 5 month period between 18th May and 5th October 2026.

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

Deferred item from previous meeting.

Date limit for comments: 18.05.26

1 x letter of objection previously circulated.
1 verbal representation from Foxholes resident - commenting that Orcombe Point was a quiet end of the beach where people do not want to be disturbed by pop up bars and music. Families come to the beach to appreciate nature and quietness do not want to be exposed to this this type of activity. Foxholes residents were concerned about drugs and the suicide rates.

Cllr M Williamson
Objects to this application.
There are sufficient outlets for the supply and consumption of alcohol on Exmouth Seafront. These are regulated premises. A 'pop-up' bar could not be so regulated and could, as objectors who are nearby residents have argued, could contribute to anti-social behaviour. The Orcombe Beach is popular with families and young people engaged in surfing and other water-related activities. There is no demand for it and it would be visually intrusive. It should be Refused.

Representation must relate to one or more of the four licensing objectives:

- the prevention of crime and disorder
- public safety
- the prevention of public nuisance
- the protection of children from harm

Members objected to the above application under the following licensing objectives:

Prevention of Crime and Disorder
The proposed operation of a Pop-Up Bar for up to 60 days within a five-month period (18 May to 5 October 2026) was considered overly open-ended. The absence of specified operating dates would make it difficult for the Licensing Authority, Police, and other responsible authorities to anticipate when the premises would be operating and to put appropriate measures in place to prevent crime and disorder. These concerns were heightened by recent incidents of anti-social behaviour involving groups of youths in Exmouth, together with the enforcement of a Public Space Protection Order (PSPO) in the area.

Public Safety
The proposed terminal hour of 21:00 raised concerns in the context of existing evening anti-social behaviour in the area. Members were concerned that the operation of the Pop-Up Bar could increase crowding and associated risks, particularly in the absence of certainty around operating dates or clearly defined mitigation measures.

Prevention of Public Nuisance
The area has an established history of public nuisance, including incidents of public urination and defecation. Exmouth has also experienced a reduction in public toilet provision. Members considered that the proposed operation would be likely to exacerbate public nuisance if adequate facilities were not provided.

Protection of Children from Harm
Given the proximity of the site to public spaces used by families and young people, Members were concerned that increased alcohol-related activity could expose children and young persons to inappropriate behaviour and potential harm. Members concluded that, should any licence be granted, it ought to be subject to robust conditions, including reduced opening hours on specified days and a requirement for the provision of adequate toilet facilities (e.g. portaloos).

Councillor M Rosser wish it to be noted that he did not object to the application subject to mitigation regarding additional toilet provision and felt that alcohol fuelled anti-social behaviour on the beach should be dealt with by implementing the PSPO and should not be reason to refuse this application.

ii. Notification of a pavement licence application received
The applicant is: Jodie Cockman of Palm
Location requested: Outside of Palm, 2 Rolle St, Exmouth
Times and days requested:
Period of licence requested: 08/05/26 - 08/05/2028
The application is for: 10 tables, 40 chairs

A map of the proposed site was previously.

Date limit for comments: 11.05.26

Members raised no objection, subject to the thoroughfare access not being blocked and this being enforced.

iii. Notification of New Premises Licence Application Received
Ref No. 061808
Premises: Cue Station - 1 Church Road, Exmouth, EX8 1RZ
Ward: Town
Name of Applicant: Mr David Freer

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

Date limit for comments: 27.05.26

Members did not wish to comment.

P26/076. Items for information

None

P26/077. East Devon District Council – Planning Decisions

Application	*Exmouth Town Council View*	*EDDC Decision*
26/0571/FUL 25 Springfield Road	No objection	Approval
26/0572/FUL 42 Bapton Close	No objection	Approval
26/0542/FUL 46 Capel Lane	No objection	Approval
26/0471/FUL 6 Holland Road	No objection	Approval
26/0375/FUL 8 Maer Vale	No objection	Approval
26/0056/FUL 30/32 Parade	Objection	Refusal

The meeting concluded at: 19:39

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