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Minutes of the Remote Planning Committee Meeting on Monday 16th November 2020

Present:

Chairman:	Cllr M Hartnell
Councillors:	K Beer. J Russell, C Wood & D Wright
Officers:	Planning Committee Clerk
Note:	All attendees accessed the meeting remotely and could be either seen and/or heard.

38. Apologies for absence

There were no apologies for absence received. Cllr Macaskill was absent.

39. Declarations of Interest

Cllr Hartnell declared a personal interest as a Councillor with East Devon District Council (EDDC)

40. Minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on Monday 2nd November 2020

The Committee **RESOLVED** to agree the minutes of the meeting held on 2nd November 2020. (moved Cllr Beer; seconded Cllr Russell)

41. 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.

42. Public Question Time (PQT)

No members of the public were present.

Applications for consideration:

43.20/2349/FUL

Mr Curtis Statham

1 Hawksdown View, Seaton EX12 2BJ Two storey side extension and new driveway.

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



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44. 20/2226/FUL

Robin Cannon

Thornfield, 87 Scalwell Lane, Seaton EX12 2ST Retrospective application for permanent use of temporary building.

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

45.20/2286/FUL

Mr S Carter

9 Celandine Close, Seaton EX12 2XA Change of use of part of dwelling from residential to mixed residential/takeaway use (prebooked).

The Planning Clerk read a letter out to the committee from a member of the public who supported the application and had made the following points:

- Supported a small private enterprise, particularly a local good quality take away food outlet.
- Believed that the proposed take away would not have a negative impact on the residents of Celandine Close.

Discussion took place around:

- Members thought this was the wrong location to have a takeaway business as the area is predominantly residential. Members also thought that if the application were approved it would set a precedent for similar businesses to set up in residential locations.
- Concerns were raised about additional vehicle movements this business would generate in what was essentially a residential cul-de-sac. If deliveries of goods were going to be made that would increase vehicle movements. If the business proved to be extremely popular then the operating days and hours could increase along with the number of meals offered each day. This would lead to an increase in traffic movements which could have an adverse effect on the amenity of occupiers of adjoining residential properties.
- Members supported entrepreneurs and the idea of a Thai takeaway would be welcomed in the town. However, Members expressed concerns over pollution and the extraction of cooking smells commenting that they were worried that even though photographs submitted with the application showed an extractor system was currently installed, would it be robust enough to prevent the smell of cooking wafting into the air and impacting on neighbouring residential properties in Celandine Close.
- There was no mention made on the application about the disposal of the commercial waste which this business would generate and where any commercial waste bins would be stored. As a business was being operated from the property Members thought the owners should have a commercial waste contract and not dispose of any waste in the bins supplied for residential use.

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



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- Increase in traffic movements in a residential cul-de-sac which could have an adverse effect on the amenity of occupiers of adjoining residential properties.
- The potential for cooking smells to waft into the air which could have an adverse effect on the amenity of occupiers of adjoining residential properties.
- No mention was made in the planning application of how the commercial waste would be disposed of and where it would be stored prior to collection. There was no indication in the application that the applicants had entered into a commercial waste contract for the disposal of any waste generated by the business.
- Being a residential area, this was the wrong location for a food takeaway which would be better suited to a town centre location. If the application were approved it would set a precedent for similar businesses to set up in residential locations.

The Committee **RESOLVED** to object to the application on the grounds listed above. (moved Cllr Hartnell; seconded Cllr Wright)

46. Planning Comments

Comments to be circulated in respect of application 20/2286/FUL.

47. Decisions

The Committee noted the planning decisions made by East Devon District Council:

 a) 20/1392/FUL – Bridleways Holyford Lane Colyford Colyton Change of use of existing land (agricultural and South West Water) under the applicants ownership to domestic use for the existing dwelling (Class use C3) and for the relocation and enlargement of a new storage outbuilding – APPROVED – with conditions

The meeting closed at 6.07pm

Chairman:	Clehel	
Date:	7/12/2020	_