

# Agenda for Planning Inspections Committee

## Friday, 17 April 2015; 10.30am



### Members of the Committee:

Councillors: David Atkins, Alan Dent, Martin Gammell, David Key, Helen Parr, Geoff Pook, Peter Sullivan, Mark Williamson

*Committee to assemble at **8.50am** in the Members' Area (departure 9am).*

### Ward Member:

Councillors: Vivien Duval Steer, Jill Elson, Pauline Stott

Parish/Town Council: Exmouth Halsdon

**Venue:** Council Chamber, Knowle, Sidmouth, EX10 8HL

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**Contact:** [Hannah Whitfield](#), 01395 571542 (or group number 01395 517546): Issued 8 April 2015

### [Speaking on planning applications](#)

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The number of people that can speak on each application is limited to:

- Major applications – parish/town council representative, 5 supporters, 5 objectors and the applicant or agent
- Minor/Other applications – parish/town council representative, 2 supporters, 2 objectors and the applicant or agent

### **Parish and Town Councils**

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- 1 Minutes for 20 February (page 3 - 4)
- 2 Apologies
- 3 [Declarations of interest](#)
- 4 [Matters of urgency](#) – none identified
- 5 To agree any items to be dealt with after the public (including press) have been excluded. There are **no** items that officers recommend should be dealt with in this way.

### **Applications for determination**

- 6 [14/2912/FUL](#) (approx. time of site visit by Committee: 9.30 am)

Ward: Exmouth Halsdon  
Location: 2 Gipsy Lane, Exmouth  
Proposal: Construction of an attached two storey dwelling

### [Decision making and equalities](#)

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## **EAST DEVON DISTRICT COUNCIL**

### **Minutes of a Meeting of the Planning Inspections Committee held at Knowle, Sidmouth on 20 February 2015**

#### **Attendance list at end of document**

The meeting started at 10.15am and ended at 10.47am.

#### **\*22 Minutes**

The minutes of the Planning Inspections Committee meeting held on 16 January 2015 were confirmed and signed as a true record.

Following legal advice that a delegated decision needed to involve an officer (the Council's normal practice), to comply with this technicality members reviewed the resolution and resolved that, in place of the previous resolution, application 14/0825/FUL be:

DEFERRED to allow officers the opportunity to negotiate reducing the levels of the proposed dwelling through its digging in, with decision on the application delegated to the Service Lead – Planning in consultation with the Chairman of the Development Management Committee and Ward Members.

#### **\*23 Declarations of interest**

There were none.

#### **\*24 Application referred to the Planning Inspections Committee**

The Committee considered the following application:

Raleigh: 14/2310/FUL – Siting of a log cabin for residential, education and training for volunteers (Class C2) with office and meeting room and associated parking, sewage treatment plant and biomass boiler at Hawkerland Brake Barn (RSPB), Exmouth Road, Aylesbeare EX5 2JS.

The committee report considered by the Development Management Committee on 10 February 2015 can be viewed at:

<http://new.eastdevon.gov.uk/media/765023/100215-combined-dmc-agenda.pdf>.

An [update](#) to the committee report was circulated to Members prior to the Planning Inspections Committee meeting. Following a confirmed offer by the applicant of proposed mitigation for the impact on the European designated environments the Habitat Regulations assessment and previously published recommended reasons for refusal had been revised.

**RESOLVED:** DEFERRED with delegated authority given to the Service Lead – Planning, in consultation with the Chairman of the Development Management Committee and Ward Member, to approve the application with appropriate conditions, subject to the submission of revised plans demonstrating a satisfactory revised access. Members considered that the proposal would lead to reduced traffic movements to and from the site and was acceptable subject to the applicant demonstrating that a satisfactory access arrangement could be secured.

**Attendance list**

**Present:**

Committee Members

Councillors:

Helen Parr (Chairman)

David Key (Vice Chairman)

David Atkins

Alan Dent

Martin Gammell

Geoff Pook

Peter Sullivan

Mark Williamson

Officers

James Brown, Principal Planning Officer

Andrew Digby, Planning Officer

Rachel Pocock, Corporate Legal and Democratic Services Manager

Hannah Whitfield, Democratic Services Officer

Ward Member

Councillor Ray Bloxham

Chairman ..... Date.....