

**Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting
Held on Thursday 27th February 2025 at 10am in the Beechfield Centre,
Beechfield Road, Fremington**

- Present:** Cllrs J Bridgeman (Chairman), J Cann, S Haywood, and H Walker
Mrs V Woodhouse, Executive Officer
- 2502/35 **Apologies**
Cllr S Adams.
- 2502/36 **Declaration of interests**
None.
- 2502/37 **Public Participation Period**
None.
- 2502/38 **Minutes**
It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to approve and sign the minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 30th January 2025 as a correct record.
- 2502/39 **North Devon Council - Planning Applications**
79687 Proposal: Demolition of existing conservatory and erection of a side extension
Location: Little Bridge House, Redlands Road, Fremington, EX31 2PZ
Applicant/Agent: Children's Hospice South West

It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to recommend APPROVAL.
- 79701 Proposal: Erection of 1 new Class B8 & E unit together with associated works
Location: Loosemore House, Brannam Crescent, Roundswell, Barnstaple, EX31 3TD
Applicant/Agent: DJL Securities (Barum) Ltd

It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to recommend APPROVAL.
- 79808 Proposal: Extension to garage to create an internal store
Location: 55 Woolners Lane, Bickington, Barnstaple, EX31 2FJ
Applicant/Agent: Mr Chadburn

It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to recommend APPROVAL.
- 79832 Proposal: Application for consent for works to trees covered by a Tree Preservation Order in respect of felling of 1x Ash (T001), selective lateral reduction on SE lower branches of 1x Oak (T002), clearing of fallen tree (A001) and coppicing of fallen tree (A002).



Location: Woodland and Open Space off Glenwood Drive, Roundswell,
Barnstaple, EX31 3GD
Applicant/Agent: Greenbelt Group Ltd

It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to recommend APPROVAL subject to the proposal being in the interest of good tree management and trees being replaced with a native species at a ration of two to one.

79838 Proposal: Variation of condition 2 (approved plans) attached to planning permission 76697 (extension & alterations to dwelling) to regularise changes made during construction
Location: 90 Yelland Road, Yelland, Barnstaple, EX31 3EF
Applicant/Agent: Mr Hill

It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to recommend REFUSAL the proposal is over intensification of the site and out of keeping with the neighbourhood and street scene.

2502/40 **Xlinks' Morocco – UK Power Project**
An update on the project was circulated to members prior to the meeting. It was noted that any comments could be submitted to the Planning Inspectorate, and it was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to support the project, the proposal offer options and a move towards green energy with minimal (permanent) damage on the landscape.

2502/41 **Draft Housing Strategy**
Members considered the consultation on the draft Housing Strategy, Members raised concerns about the affordability of rental properties, the lack of affordable housing and the rate of development especially in relation to the lack of infrastructure. After discussion it was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to encourage all Cllrs to complete the survey for the consultation and for Cllr Bridgeman, as Chairman of the Planning Committee, to work with the Administration & Projects Manager to submit a response on behalf of the Planning Committee.

The meeting closed at 10.30am

Signed.......... Dated..... 27 March 2025