

MINUTES of the Meeting of the **DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT & LICENSING COMMITTEE** held at the **Council Chamber, Drake Road, Tavistock** on **TUESDAY 15th July, 2025** at **6.30pm**.

PRESENT

Councillor B Smith
Councillor G Parker

Chairman
Vice Chairman

Councillor S Hipsey
Councillor Mrs A Johnson

Mayor ex officio
Deputy Mayor ex officio

Councillors N Martin, T Munro and A Venning

IN ATTENDANCE

Office Administrator

74. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for Absence had been received from Councillors Mrs J Hughes and A Lewis.

75. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RESOLVED THAT the Minutes of the Meeting of the Development Management & Licensing Committee held on Monday 23rd June, 2025 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman (Appendix 1).

76. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no Declarations of Interest made.

77. DARTMOOR NATIONAL PARK AUTHORITY (DNPA)

Planning Application 0218/25 – Construction of extensions and installation of external wood fired heater using biomass (inc. flue and associated equipment) to existing industrial unit. Construction of a new industrial building to provide 3 new industrial units and all associated works at Tavistock Metal Ltd, Union Mine Road, Pitts Cleave Industrial Estate, Tavistock PL19 0PW was considered;

[Dartmoor | National Park | Application | 162976](#) (Appendix 2);

The decision was to 'support' the Application and the Members were pleased to see the land being used for employment in Tavistock.

78. TOWN PLANNING ISSUES

Correspondence had been received with regard to Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan (LCWIP) from West Devon Borough Council <https://www.westdevon.gov.uk/communities/local-cycling-and-walking-infrastructure-plan-lcwip> and the associated possible interventions (Appendix 3).

The Committee considered the LCWIP and associated papers;

RECOMMENDED THAT Tavistock Town Council:-

- a) request that it is included in all consultations with regards to this initiative;
- b) whilst accepting that the safety of bike riders and pedestrians is of the utmost importance, ensure that this was balanced against the fact that Tavistock was a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Concerns were raised with regards to the widening of the pavements (in particular to the sites below) and the introduction of bike lanes, where the area was also occupied by pedestrians;
- c) Priority to be given to the following areas - Brook Street, West Street and Duke Street

79. GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE

No items received.

80. URGENT BUSINESS BROUGHT FORWARD AT THE DISCRETION OF THE CHAIRMAN

No items brought forward.

81. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

a) **Planning Decisions**

Planning Decisions by West Devon Borough Council were attached at Appendix A (Appendix 4).

b) **NEW Planning Applications**

New Planning Applications to West Devon Borough Council.

RECOMMENDED THAT the views of the Town Council, as listed in Appendix B, be passed to the Local Planning Authority for consideration (Appendix 5).

82. NEXT MEETING

The next Meeting of the Development Management & Licensing Committee to be held on Tuesday 5th August, 2025 at 6.30pm in the Council Chamber, Drake Road, Tavistock.

The Meeting closed at 7.06pm.

Signed:

Dated:
CHAIRMAN

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DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT & LICENSING COMMITTEE – LIST OF PLANNING DECISIONS (Appendix A) FOR MEETING 15.07.2025

Applicant's Name, Site Location, P/App No.	Development Type	Town Council's Comments	Decision by Local Planning Authority	Date of Decision
Mr & Mrs Wilson Waddons Butcher Park Hill Tavistock PL19 0EH P/A No. 1046/25/HHO	Householder application for proposed annexe to replace double garage, including roof mounted solar panels	Support - subject to; - suitable drawings being made available to establish the layout and purpose of the proposed annexe	Conditional Approval	11 th June 2025
Mr & Mrs Wilson Waddons Butcher Park Hill Tavistock PL19 0EH P/A No. 1051/25/HHO	Householder application for proposed glazed canopy at enclosed rear courtyard	Support	Conditional Approval	11 th June 2025
Miss G Davies- Gilbert 6 Bedford Square Tavistock PL19 0BU P/A No. 0352/25/FUL	Change of use from E(c)(i) Financial Services building to mixed use building consisting of three ground floor E(a) Commercial units and three first and second floor C3(a) apartments	Support	Conditional Approval	13 th June 2025
Mr D Nikki 14 Willow Road Tavistock PL19 9JH P/A No. 1187/25/TPO	G001: Hazel & Holly - Reduce trees in height from 9m to 4.5m to increase light levels & prune back to boundary - hedgerow maintenance to manage spread into the garden, T001: Oak - Reduce crown	Neutral View refer to Tree Specialist	Grant of Conditional Consent	18 th June 2025

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	spread on Oak Tree over garage by approximately 1.5 metres from 5m to 3.5m - Size management for long term retention, T002: Oak - Reduce low overextended branch back to growth points approximately 2 metres reduction from 8m to 6m - Reduce the risk of failure & G002: Holly & Conifer - Reduce on the northern boundary beyond the fence line by approximately from 13m to 7m in height - to increase light level.			
Mrs P Williams 22 Chapel Street Tavistock PL19 8DX P/A No. 1217/25/TCA	T1 Weeping Willow - Crown height reduction by 1.5 m & remove lower limb over rear shed	Neutral View refer to Tree Specialist	No Objections Raised	18 th June 2025
Mr M Chiltern Home Down House 231 Whitchurch Rd Tavistock PL19 9DQ P/A No. 1622/25/TCA	T1: Blue Gum Eucalyptus – fell tree as it is threatening stability & safety of Devon stone boundary wall	Neutral View refer to Tree Specialist – The Members would like to see it replaced with a suitable species of tree	No Objections Raised	25 th June 2025

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DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT & LICENSING COMMITTEE - NEW PLANNING APPLICATIONS (Appendix B) FOR MEETING 15.07.2025

Applicant's Name & Location	P/App Link	Proposal	Deadline to respond
Mr P Stanton 1 St Andrews Road Whitchurch Tavistock PL19 9BY	Planning application: 1918/25/TPO - Planning Page for DEF West Devon Borough Council	T1: Cherry - fell due to declining health, poor vitality and increasing extent of die back.	Neutral View refer to Tree Specialist
Ms P Hext First And Second Floors 1 West Street Tavistock PL19 8AD	Planning application: 1945/25/ARC - Planning Page for DEF West Devon Borough Council	Application for approval of details reserved by condition 3 (Door Schedule) of planning consent 0536/23/LBC	Support
Carr Virginia Cottage Mount Tavy Road Tavistock PL19 9JE	https://westdevon.planning-register.co.uk/Planning/Display/1948/25/TPO	TPO S015; T1: Cherry - crown raise to 2.5m from ground level to regain access to lawn and path. T2: Rhododendron - coppice to 0.5m from ground level to allow neighbouring vegetation to regenerate	Neutral View refer to Tree Specialist
Children's Hospice South West 11 West Street Tavistock PL19 8AD	https://westdevon.planning-register.co.uk/Planning/Display/1944/25/ADV	Advertisement Consent for proposed signage, text & graphic at 5mm Dark Green Acrylic (CYMK 90 25 90 10) on 20mm stand off locators, graphic will have a height of 375mm while text will be 200mm x 280mm	Support
South West Water Tavistock Canal	https://westdevon.planning-register.co.uk/Planning/Display/2016/25/TCA	T0168: Elm - Sectionally dismantle, fell, and	Neutral View refer to Tree Specialist - The Members would like to see it

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		remove to ground level using lowering and rigging techniques to safely control each section's descent in accordance with industry best practices	replaced with a suitable species of tree if possible in accordance with Table 28 of the WDBC Supplementary Planning Document