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Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held virtually on the 19th July 2021 in the Council Chamber of the Town Hall.

Present: Cllr L Cruwys (Chairman), W Burke, S Bush, D Garcia, P Hill, H Holdman, A Perris, J Blagg and C Harrower.

In attendance: Town Clerk, Mr J Vanderwolfe and one member of the public.

The meeting commenced at 6.15pm

243	Apologies Apologies were received from Cllr A Hendy and Cllr D Sutton
244	Declaration of Interests No Declarations of interest were made at this stage of the meeting.
245	Minutes The minutes of the meeting held on the 5 th July 2021 were agreed as a true record.
246	Democratic Period A member of the public spoke against planning application 21/00454/MARM, stating that he felt that the planning officers were trying to rush through this amendment so that it could be dealt with at the MDDC planning meeting scheduled for the 28 th July. He outlined to members the history of this application which had been made by Redrow Homes to build 166 homes. He stated that this was the first stage of a far greater development. He felt that the developer was showing a total lack of respect and empathy by putting profit before everything else. The chairman explained to him that outline planning for this development had already been approved in 2014 and that this was a reserved matters application. The gentleman went on to list a number of concerns that he had regarding the administration of this application by planning officers, which he felt was not in line with the Tiverton EUE Masterplan. He made particular reference to alleged emails that had been

	<p>sent by a planning officer to the Redrow Homes Planning Agent. He was very concerned regarding the fact that allegedly planning officers were no longer insisting on a 5 meter landscaped buffer strip. He felt, he stated, that the planning officers had been placed under pressure to agree to amendments by the developers.</p>
247	<p>Planning Applications Planning applications were dealt with as per the attached list. Cllr A Perris asked that his name be recorded as being against the support provided by the planning committee to application 21/01160/Full.</p>
248	<p>Licensing There was an application for variation of the Premises License for the Pannier Market. Members offered no objections to this application.</p>
249	<p>Other Planning Matters The chairman informed the meeting that the Scrutiny committee of MDDC had voted down the idea of a joint EUE working group. He therefore felt that our EUE group should reform as soon as possible.</p> <p>The HATOC traffic group had discussed Bickleigh Bridge at its recent meeting. An engineer had stated that the idea of traffic lights would not work unless the Tiverton end lights were positioned near to the former Trout Inn. There would also be problems with traffic building up on the Crediton road. The idea of another bridge was also difficult and very expensive. One thought was the demolition of some buildings near to the Trout to facilitate better access movement to the bridge.</p> <p>The chairman was in discussion with the conservation officer regarding the Bampton Street application discussed at the last meeting.</p>
250	<p>Next Meeting Date Monday 2nd August 2021 at 6.15pm</p>

Signature

Date