Dec 13th 2018

Dear Steve,

Below is Exmouth Town Councils response to the second set of questions sent by Examiner Kingaby on December 10th.

1. At the bottom of Page 4 of your letter of 28th November, in answer to the East Devon District Council comment on paragraph 9, it is stated that an appropriate evidence base for the rare species has been found. However, I have not been informed as to what is that evidence base, or how exactly the wording of paragraph 9 should be modified to reference it. Please provide details of the evidence base and how the wording of paragraph 9 is to be modified.

* The evidence base document that was used is the Ecological appraisal by The Environmental Dimension Partnership (EDP) (2014) attached
* This reference will be added to para9 p24 to read. “Perhaps more importantly, this area is home to Britain’s rarest mammal, the Barbastelle Bat of which there are fewer than 5,000 are known to exist. 18b
* This reference document 18 b will go onto the ENP Website.
* Reference 18 will therefore be changed to 18a

1. Figure 10 on Page 47 shows the conservation areas. There appear to be 5 altogether. I know that Louisa Terrace / The Beacon and Bicton Street were designated in 1973 and Albion Street / Windsor Square in 1986. When exactly were the other conservation areas designated? I consider that Figure 10 should show the names of each conservation area.

There are 5 areas: We could add a legend as seen below with this information on to Fig 10

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| 1. The Beacon / Louisa Terrace -designated 1973  2. Bicton Street -designated 1973  3. Albion Street/ Windsor Square – designated 1986  4. Town Centre and Seafront designated 2015  5. The Avenues- designated 2015 |

Fig 10 can be numbered as seen in the attachment.

1. Figure 10 could also show the listed buildings, which are located in each conservation area. Figure 2.3 of the Exmouth Masterplan already does this.

We can do this but as Fig 2.3 shows it will just be dots to show cluster of buildings.

Exmouth listing map (attached) shows the density of listed buildings in the Exmouth conservation areas.

We can add as a reference The Exmouth 128 listed buildings (see attached)

1. Pages 49 and 50 of the Neighbourhood Plan refer to “Prominent buildings in Exmouth” and “Residential areas of character”. I am uncertain as to the source of identification of these features, or their status?

This is not clear in the documentation you have. Prominent buildings in Exmouth” and “Residential areas of character” was raised as an item by Town Ward Councillors at a Neighbourhood Plan Steering group meeting in 2017. A list was then compiled by local historians. This list went to the Ocean Consultation event in September 2017 and the list of Prominent buildings in Exmouth” and “Residential areas of character” was altered on receiving feedback from public consultation.

Have they been identified through research or a technical assessment of local buildings and streets? Not as such. The local historians were given a wide brief of Prominent buildings in Exmouth” and “Residential areas of character”. Their list therefore included listed as well as non designated sites. The list in the document therefore does not differentiate between listed and non designated building.

Section 12 of the National Planning Policy Framework is clear that designated assets merit more protection than non-designated ones. Are all the named assets located within conservation areas, or designated listed buildings, or included on a local list of heritage assets?

The Tables below can be added to provide clarity as to the named assets their location and status.

Table 1. Prominent Buildings In Exmouth

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| **Type** | **Name** | **Listed** | **Non designated** | **Conservation area** |
| Houses | A La Ronde | √ |  | × |
| Courtlands |  | × | × |
| Knappe Cross House | √ |  | × |
| The Barn | √ |  | × |
| The Temple |  | × | √ |
| St Andrew’s (former church) | √ |  | √ |
| Bystock Estate, ‘Village’ and Lodges | √ |  | × |
| Farms | Prattshayes | √ |  | × |
| Green Farmhouse | √ |  | × |
| Withycombe Barton |  | × | × |
| Littleham Tithe Barn |  | × | × |
| Mundy’s Farmhouse | √ |  | × |
| Churches | Christ Church |  | × | √ |
| Holy Trinity | √ |  | √ |
| St Margaret’s & St Andrew | √ |  | × |
| St John in the Wilderness | √ |  | × |
| Point in View (Church and Manse) | √ |  | × |
| Holy Ghost |  | × | × |
| St John the Evangelist | √ |  | √ |
| Tower Street Methodist | √ |  | √ |
| Maritime | Smeaton’s Sea Wall | √ |  | √ |
| The Sail Loft | √ |  | × |
| Trinity Buoy Store | √ |  | × |
| Other | Temple Winds | √ |  | √ |
| Thomas Tucker’s |  | × | √ |
| The Library |  | × | √ |
| St Bernard’s (Town Hall |  |  | √ |

Table 2. Residential Areas of Special Character.

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| --- | --- |
| Name | Conservation Area |
| The Beacon Louisa Terrace  Bicton Place Trefusis Terrace | 1. The Beacon / Louisa Terrace |
| Bicton Street | 2. Bicton Street |
| Albion Terrace Henrietta Road  Albion Street North Street  Clarence Road Windsor Square  Charles Street George Street | 3. Albion Street/ Windsor Square – |
| The Strand Morton Rd | 4. Town Centre and Seafront |
| Part of The Avenues  Part of Salterton Rd | 5. The Avenues |
| Raddenstile Lane  Camperdown Creek  Part of Withycombe Village Rd  Part of The Avenues  Part of Salterton Rd | Not in Conservation area |

Action EBA1 is a project which will create a heritage “local list” for Exmouth.

This project is in line with NPPF and the East Devon Heritage strategy (attached). East Devon District recently produced a Draft Heritage Strategy (2019 – 2031) This presents a summary of our heritage, its significance, its management and its benefits, with a broad action plan for the delivery of recommendations. The East Devon Heritage Strategy presently in consultation recommends production of local lists(p26) and the criteria for selection of sites/ buildings is still to be confirmed.

Yours sincerely,

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