



**Minutes of the Crediton Town Council Meeting, held on
Tuesday, 21st June 2016, at 7pm, at the Council Chamber, Market Street, Crediton**

Present: Cllrs Mr F Letch (Chairman & Mayor), Miss J Harris, Mr A Wyer, Mrs H Sansom, Mr D Webb, Mr W Dixon, Miss J Walters, Mrs L Brookes-Hocking, Mr M Szabo and Mr N Way

In Attendance: Mrs Clare Dalley, Town Clerk
1 member of the press
5 members of the public

1606/43 To receive and accept apologies

It was **resolved** to receive and accept apologies from Cllrs Mr J Downes and Mrs A Hughes. (Proposed by Cllr Letch)

1606/44 Declarations of Interest

Cllrs Letch and Way declared that as members of more than one authority, that any views or opinions expressed at this meeting would be provisional and would not prejudice any views expressed at a meeting of another authority.

Cllr Letch declared a personal interest in agenda item 10 'Mid Devon District Council – Planning Applications' and planning application numbered 16/00854/HOUSE as his property adjoins the applicant's.

Cllr Webb declared a personal interest in the following agenda items

- 10 'Mid Devon District Council – Planning Applications' and planning application numbered 16/00774/FULL as the applicant is a personal friend and business associate.
- 13 'To consider a new premises licence application for 11-12 High Street, Crediton, Devon, EX17 3AE' as the applicant is a personal friend.

1606/45 To receive a presentation from Mr Jonathan Tricker on Crediton Traffic Study – Full Report. The Clerk advised members that Mr Tricker had sent his apologies for the meeting and his presentation would be re-scheduled.

1606/46 Public Question Time

Two members of the public raised objections regarding planning application numbered 16/00825/MFUL. A copy of their objections are attached to these minutes as Appendix One.

1606/47 Order of Business

The Chairman advised that whilst he did not intend to change the order of the agenda items the planning application for the anaerobic digester would be the first application to be considered.

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1606/48

Chairman's and Clerk's Announcements - To receive any announcements which the Chairman and Clerk may wish to make.

The Clerk advised members that the Lions Club tree would shortly be planted at Peoples Park by Mr Ross Andrews of Rural and Urban Tree Services.

The Mayor announced it had been a busy month with him attending the following:

- 22nd May - Sandford Church for a special service
- 5th June - Newcombes Meadow for the presentation on the life of St Boniface, a Roman Catholic Church Service with the Bishop of Plymouth and the Pilgrims Parade
- 12th June - Civic Service at the Parish Church marking the HM The Queen's 90th Birthday.
- 17th June - A meeting with Mr Simon Niles who is Devon County Council's Locality Lead.
- 20th June - Flag raising at the Council Offices for Armed Forces Day
- 21st June - Landscore School for a VIP Lunch cooked by 10 young chefs. Cllr Letch commented that it was a lovely meal and commended the school on the effort.

Cllr Letch also advised that on Thursday, 23rd June 2016, he will be attending Exeter Guildhall, representing the Town, at the Devon & Somerset Police Awards.

1606/49

Town Council Minutes – To approve and sign the minutes of the Crediton Town Council meeting held on Tuesday, 17th May 2016, as a correct record. Copies had been circulated with the agenda. It was **resolved to approve and sign the minutes of the Town Council meeting held on 17th May 2016, as a correct record. (Proposed by Cllr Harris)**

1606/50

Matters Arising - At the direction of the Chairman, to report on matters arising from the minutes of the Town Council Meeting held on 17th May 2016, for information only. There were no matters arising.

1606/51

To receive, and to ratify the decisions therein, the minutes of the

- **Policy & Forward Planning Committee meeting held on 7th June 2016**
It was **resolved** to receive and to ratify the decisions therein, the minutes of the Policy & Forward Planning Committee meeting held on 7th June 2016. (Proposed by Cllr Wyer)
- **Christmas in Crediton Committee meeting held on 14th June 2016**
It was **resolved** to receive and to ratify the decisions therein, the minutes of the Christmas in Crediton Committee meeting held on 14th June 2016. (Proposed by Cllr Letch)
- **Administration & Personnel Committee meeting held on 14th June 2016**
It was **resolved** to receive and to ratify the decisions therein, the minutes of the Administration & Personnel Committee meeting held on 14th June 2016. (Proposed by Cllr Harris)



Initials

1606/52

Mid Devon District Council – Planning Applications

Mid Devon District Council, the determining Authority, has asked for comments from this Town Council on the following planning applications:

Reference: 16/00825/MFUL
 Proposal: Construction of an anaerobic digestion plant including vehicular access from Down End, provision of infrastructure works to support the plant including creating compensatory flood storage and regrading of land and landscaping and all associated works and development
 Location: Land at NGR 284938 100390 (Goosealler Marshes), Commonmarsh Lane, Lords Meadow Industrial Estate
 Applicant: Mr G Kerlake, c/o Mr E Heynes, Jillings Heynes Planning Ltd, Two Acres, Under Lane, Newmills, Launceston, PL15 8SN

It was resolved to refer consideration of the application to the Council's Policy & Forward Planning Committee and delegate authority to the said Committee to make recommendations on the Council's behalf. (Proposed by Cllr Dixon)

Cllr Brookes-Hocking objected to their being no paper copies of planning applications explaining that it can be extremely difficult to view plans electronically especially of large scale developments. It also means there is not equal access to all. Cllr Letch advised that he will write to Ms Jenny Clifford, Head of Planning & Regeneration at Mid Devon District Council, (copying in the Chief Executive) raising the issues.

Reference: 16/00736/HOUSE
 Proposal: Erection of a single storey side and rear extension to include garage
 Location: Bray, Western Road, Crediton, EX17 3NB
 Applicant: Mr S & Mrs C Whetton, Bray, Western Road, Crediton, EX17 3NB

It was resolved to recommend NO OBJECTION. (Proposed by Cllr Brookes-Hocking)

Reference: 16/00458/FULL
 Proposal: Erection of 3 dwellings and associated infrastructure following removal of existing nursery building
 Location: Action For Children, Crediton Area Childrens Centre, Newcombes, Crediton, EX17 2AR
 Applicant: Jenner Homes, The Pool House, Pennsylvania, Exeter, EX4 5BJ

It was resolved to OBJECT to the application as the design still remains inappropriate for the area. (Proposed by Cllr Brookes-Hocking)

Reference: 16/00716/ARM
 Proposal: Reserved matters for the erection of 3 dwellings and construction of new vehicular access
 Location: Orchard Cottage, Churchill Drive, Crediton, EX17 2DW
 Applicant: Mr T Newstead, Moorview Homes Ltd, Mardale, Copplestone, Crediton, EX17 5LF

It was resolved to recommend NO OBJECTION. (Proposed by Cllr Brookes-Hocking)



Initials

Reference: 16/00679/HOUSE
Proposal: Erection of two storey extension after demolition of existing
Location: Wallbrooke, Crediton, Devon, EX17 3DB
Applicant: Ms Philippa Pounder, Wallbrooke, Crediton, EX17 3DB

It was resolved to recommend NO OBJECTION. (Proposed by Cllr Wyer)

Reference: 16/00822/FULL
Proposal: Reconfigure access and associated works
Location: Land at NGR 284608 99421 (Wellparks), Joseph Locke Way, Crediton
Applicant: Mole Avon Trading Limited, C/o Mr R Williams, Mango Planning and Development Ltd, Number One Waterton Park, Waterton, Bridgend, CF31 3PH

It was resolved to recommend APPROVAL. (Proposed by Cllr Harris)

Reference: 16/00839/FULL
Proposal: Variation of Condition 13 of Planning Permission 14/02130/MFUL to take account of revised Arboricultural report
Location: 47 Mill Street, Crediton, EX17 3AA
Applicant: Mr C Reed, Reed Construction and Developments Ltd, 106 High St, Crediton, EX17 3LF

It was resolved to OBJECT and to support Mid Devon District Council Tree Officer's concerns that the development will damage the trees. (Proposed by Cllr Brookes-Hocking)

Reference: 16/00854/HOUSE
Proposal: Erection of single storey extension
Location: 10 Butt Parks, Crediton, EX17 3HE
Applicant: Mr P Sims, 10 Butt Parks, Crediton, EX17 3HE

It was resolved to recommend NO OBJECTION. (Proposed by Cllr Harris)

Reference: 16/00774/FULL
Proposal: Change of use of ground floor from commercial tool hire to retail bike outlet, showroom and workshop; Conversion and extension of first floor from a flat to 6 bedroomed communal accommodation to accommodate customers of the biking business and conversion of second floor from 1 flat to 2 one bedroom flats
Location: Crediton Tool Hire, Union Road, Crediton, EX17 3AL
Applicant: Mr N Paterson, Lower Creedy, Upton Hellions, Crediton, EX17 4AE

It was resolved to OBJECT on the following grounds:

- The design is inappropriate as it adversely impacts on the historical setting and neighbouring properties.
- The design is too contemporary, the flat roof and aluminium windows do not fit with the existing street scene and the neighbouring Georgian building.
- Cladding is not a local style.



- The development will adversely and negatively impact on the grade 1 listed Parish Church of the Holy Cross.
- The roof height will impact on the properties in Bowden Hill.
- Further clarity is required regarding how the building will be managed.

The Town Council looks forward to considering an appropriate development in purpose and style.

Reference: 16/00815/LBC
 Proposal: Listed Building Consent for installation of 5 replacement windows, replacement lintels, and erection and re-positioning of replacement gate pillar
 Location: 1 Church Street, Crediton, EX17 2AQ
 Applicant: Mr R Wilshire, 1 Church Street, Crediton, EX17 2AQ

It was **resolved** to recommend APPROVAL. (Proposed by Cllr Harris)

Reference: 16/00876/ADVERT
 Proposal: Advertisement consent to display 1 non-illuminated pole mounted sign
 Location: Land at NGR 284541 99503 (Wellparks), Joseph Locke Way, Crediton
 Applicant: Mr M Haines, Mole Avon Trading Limited, Westward Business Centre, Mill Street, Crediton, EX17 1HB

It was **resolved** to recommend APPROVAL. (Proposed by Cllr Harris)

Reference: 16/00897/OUT
 Proposal: Outline for the erection of 2 dwellings following demolition of existing dwelling
 Location: Kenwith, Peep Lane, Crediton, EX17 3BD
 Applicant: Mr J Tucker, Kenwith, Peep Lane, Crediton, EX17 3BD

Cllr Way declared a personal interest in the application as his son lives on Peep Lane.
 It was **resolved** to recommend NO OBJECTION. (Proposed by Cllr Wyer)

1606/53

Mid Devon District Council – Planning Decisions

It was **resolved** to note that Mid Devon District Council, the determining Authority, has APPROVED the following applications with conditions as filed. (Proposed by Cllr Harris)

Reference: 16/00283/FULL
 Proposal: Erection of dwelling and formation of new access
 Location: Old Orchard, Threshers, Crediton, EX17 3NL
 Applicant: Mr S Ripley, Old Orchard, Threshers, Crediton, EX17 3NL

Reference: 16/00387/HOUSE
 Proposal: Erection of single storey rear extension
 Location: 20 Spruce Park, Crediton, EX17 3HQ
 Applicant: Mr J Cavender, 20 Spruce Park, Crediton, EX17 3HQ

Reference: 16/00454/HOUSE
 Proposal: Formation of new access and turning area and installation of new window at second floor level
 Location: Garden Close, Western Road, Crediton, EX17 3NF
 Applicant: Mr & Mrs Mullen, Garden Close, Western Road, Crediton, EX17 3NF

Reference: 15/01967/FULL/NMA
 Proposal: Non-Material Amendment to change external appearance from face brickwork to Marley Eternit Cedral cladding and changing the fenestration on North East Elevation - Erection of an extension
 Location: 12 George Hill, Crediton, EX17 2DT
 Applicant: Mr & Mrs M Saunders, 12 George Hill, Crediton, EX17 2DT

Reference: 16/00471/LBC
 Proposal: Listed Building Consent for the replacement of 2 windows
 Location: 2 Mews Cottages, North Street, Crediton, EX17 2BT
 Applicant: Mr A Murray, Meadowside, Belle Parade, Crediton, EX17 2AA

Reference: 16/00523/FULL
 Proposal: Erection of extension to intake pit over existing workshop and extension to new mesh/meal bins
 Location: Crediton Milling Co Ltd, Fordton Mill, Crediton, EX17 3DH
 Applicant: Mr S Brimilcombe, Crediton Milling Co Ltd, Fordton Mill, Crediton, EX17 3DH

Reference: 16/00574/CAT
 Proposal: Notification of intention to carry out works to 1 Willow, 1 Norway Maple and 1 Common Ash tree within a conservation area
 Location: Jockey Cottages, Jockey Hill, Crediton, EX17 1DR
 Applicant: Mr Chris Ladd, 2 Jockey Cottages, Jockey Hill, Crediton, EX17 1DR

Reference: 16/00365/HOUSE
 Proposal: Erection of a raised timber deck with timber railings
 Location: Bramblings, Searle Street, Crediton, EX17 2DB
 Applicant: Mrs W Grinney, Bramblings, Searle Street, Crediton, EX17 2DB

Reference: 16/00637/HOUSE
 Proposal: Erection of a 2 storey extension following demolition of existing conservatory
 Location: 15 Walnut Drive Crediton Devon EX17 1JB
 Applicant: Mr Andrew Warren, 15 Walnut Drive, Crediton, EX17 1JB

1606/54

Devon County Council – Planning Applications

Devon County Council, the determining Authority, has asked for comments from the Town Council on the following planning applications:



Reference: DCC/3875/2016
 Proposal: Listed Building Consent for internal alterations and a new external metal ramp at Haywards Old School and Drama Centre.
 Location: Crediton Haywards Primary School, East Street, Crediton, EX17 3AX

It was **resolved** to recommend APPROVAL. (Proposed by Cllr Harris)

- 1606/55 **To consider a new premises licence application for 11-12 High Street, Crediton, Devon, EX17 3AE.** A copy of the application and supporting documents had been issued with the agenda. It was **resolved** to recommend APPROVAL. (Proposed by Cllr Letch)
- 1606/56 **To consider the proposed relocation of Crediton Pharmacy and make any comments.** Further information had been issued with the agenda. It was **resolved** to recommend APPROVAL. (Proposed by Cllr Harris)
- 1606/57 **Accounts Due for Payment and Receipts – To examine and agree the accounts due for payment, receipts and bank transfers for the period 18th May 2016 to 21st June 2016 inclusive and to receive the bank reconciliation.** It was **resolved** to approve the payments totalling £12,895.69, receipts totalling £130.71 and accept the bank reconciliation, copies of which had been attached to these minutes as Appendix Two. (Proposed by Cllr Letch)
- 1606/58 **To receive a list of outstanding debts owed to Crediton Town Council.** The documentation relating to this item had been issued prior to the meeting. It was **resolved** to note the outstanding debts of £207.00, a copy of which is attached to these minutes as Appendix Three (Proposed by Cllr Letch)
- 1606/59 **Budget Review – To review the budget for the year to date.** A copy of the budget sheet which had been circulated prior to the meeting is attached as Appendix Four. It was **resolved** to note the budget sheet and the information contained therein. (Proposed by Cllr Letch).
- 1606/60 **To receive a report from the Council’s internal control checkers, following the monthly random inspection and agree any actions.** The Clerk advised that no internal control check had been performed.
- 1606/61 **To receive a recommendation from the Administration & Personnel Committee to adopt, with immediate effect, a new Crediton Town Council Training & Development Policy.** A copy of the policy prepared by the Town Clerk had been issued with the agenda. It was **resolved** to adopt with immediate effect, the new Crediton Town Council Training & Development Policy. (Proposed by Cllr Wyer)
- 1606/62 **To receive a recommendation from the Administration & Personnel Committee to adopt, with immediate effect, a new Crediton Town Council Grievance Procedure.** A copy of the procedure prepared by the Town Clerk had been issued with the agenda. It was **resolved** to adopt with immediate effect, the new Crediton Town Council Grievance Procedure. (Proposed by Cllr Wyer)



- 1606/63 To receive a recommendation from the Administration & Personnel Committee to adopt, with immediate effect, a new Crediton Town Council Disciplinary Procedure. A copy of the procedure prepared by the Town Clerk had been issued with the agenda. It was **resolved** to adopt with immediate effect, the new Crediton Town Council Disciplinary Procedure. (Proposed by Cllr Wyer)
- 1606/64 To review the Council's Equal Opportunities Policy. A copy of the policy had been issued with the agenda. It was **resolved** to agree and adopt the Town Council's Equal Opportunities Policy. (Proposed by Cllr Harris)
- 1606/65 To review the Council's Safeguarding Policy. A copy of the policy had been issued with the agenda. It was **resolved** to agree and adopt the Town Council's Safeguarding Policy. (Proposed by Cllr Letch)
- 1606/66 To consider a request from Landscore Primary School to professionally install QR codes at the following Town Council owned locations:
- St Boniface Statue
 - Millennium Cross, St Lawrence Green
 - Town War Memorial
- A copy of the request had been issued with the agenda.

It was **resolved** to approve the request subject to the professional installers liaising with Town Clerk regarding the installation and location of the codes. (Proposed by Cllr Letch) The Town Council also **resolved** to commend the students on their project. (Proposed by Cllr Letch)

- 1606/67 **Councillor Reports - At the discretion of the Chairman, to receive reports from Councillors (Town, District, and County) and representatives of the Council - strictly for information only**

Cllr Szabo reported:

- The Britain in Bloom judges will be assessing the Town for the Pennant Award on Sunday 3rd July and the It's Your Neighbourhood entries on Monday 4th July.

Cllr Wyer reported:

- The slide and climbing frame have been installed at Newcombes Meadow, whilst the zip wire is still to be repaired.

Cllr Sansom reported:

- She had recently attended a U3a meeting. The group now has 186 members and a lot of work goes on behind the scenes.
- The new Redvers Ramble will be launched on Saturday, 2nd July 2016.

Cllr Way reported:

- The new Highways Surgery took place on Thursday 16th June and appeared to be quite successful.

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Cllr Brookes-Hocking questioned Cllr Way on the progress of the Crediton Traffic Order. Cllr Way advised the orders are still with the legal team. Cllr Brookes-Hocking expressed concern that it has been over a year since the dual use loading bays had been coloured and motorists are still receiving fixed penalty notices. Cllr Way suggested the Council writes to Devon County Council to complain. The Clerk confirmed she will write a letter of complaint and request an update.

Cllr Harris reported:

- She had attended the Town Team exhibition.

1606/68

Correspondence and Matters To Note – To receive Council correspondence and matters to note as detailed below Copies of the correspondence and matters to note had been issued with the agenda.

Correspondence

1. University of Exeter - Community Participation workshop
2. DCC - Road Closure, Old Tiverton Road
3. Sustainable Crediton - AGM 16th May
4. MDDC - Agenda for Decent & Affordable Homes PDG 24 May 16
5. D Cann - Boniface Statue
6. DCC - Road Closure, Mill Street
7. DCC - Road Closure, Penton Lane
8. J Harmer - QR codes on Crediton historical structures
9. Crediton Hamlets Parish Council - War Memorial Contribution
10. Bow & District Historical Society - 'Come to Devon' talk
11. DCC - Parking Restriction, Albert Rd & Deep Ln
12. D Kirk - Concerns re parking in Crediton
13. Devon CCG - Crediton Steering Group Agenda 01.06.16
14. DALC - Larger Councils meeting 09.06.16
15. Kier - Road Closure, Penton Lane
16. Boniface Trail Association - Public Exhibition
17. Crediton & District Access Group - Thank you letter re grant funding
18. Crediton Parish Church - Thank you letter re grant funding
19. Zion Lights - Concerns re Crediton road issues
20. MDDC - Planning Committee Agenda 8th June 2016
21. DCC - Road Closure, Tuckers Meadow
22. Kier - Road Closure update, Penton Lane
23. MDDC - Repair to Newcombes Meadow Wall
24. DCC - Road Closure, Churchill Drive
25. DCC - Road Closure, Brownstone Cross to Brownstone Moor Cross
26. MDDC - Changes to 2016-17 TAP Fund
27. F Edin - Concerns re Shobrooke Park Event
28. DCC - Road Closure, Church Drive
29. MDDC Tree Officer - Tree at St Lawrences Green
30. U3A - Notice of meeting

Matters To Note

1. MDDC - Press Release, Devon Rotary Youth Games
2. DCC - Pensions Line May 2016
3. DALC - SWW Volunteer Offer

4. *Children's Centre - Activities and Info*
5. *R Nicholls - Progress for Crediton Community Woodlands*
6. *MDDC - Press release, Planning Consultation*
7. *MDDC - Press release, Love Your Local Market 17 May 16*
8. *DeVA - Join Active Devon*
9. *Turning Tides - Newsletter 001*
10. *Cllr Wyer - Equipment update for Newcombes Meadow Play Area*
11. *MDDC - Press Release, Mid Devon Talk*
12. *MDDC - Press Release, Air Pollution*
13. *R Nicholls - Crediton Community Woodlands Update*
14. *MDDC - Creedy LAG minutes*
15. *Crediton Steering Group - Subgroup notes*
16. *Alison Hernandez P&CC - Monthly Report May 2016*
17. *DALC - May Newsletter*
18. *VOYC - Monthly Update*
19. *Sustainable Crediton - Newsletter Issue 71*
20. *MDDC - Press release, State of the District Debate*
21. *MDDC - Press release, Document for Cabinet agenda*
22. *Devon CCG - Healthy People June 2016*
23. *Healthwatch Devon - Monthly Newsletter*
24. *MDDC - Notification of Key Decisions July 2016*
25. *DCC - 'Is Devon a good place to live' Survey*
26. *Citizens Advice - June Newsletter*
27. *Sandford Parish Council - Queen's Celebrations*
28. *Sustainable Crediton - Crediton Food Festival Needs Your Help*

Correspondence item 29 - Cllr Dixon requested clarification of which tree was being felled. Cllr Letch confirmed it was the Chestnut tree.

Correspondence item 19 - Cllr Brookes-Hocking agreed with the author of the letter adding that it was a shame Mr Tricker had been unable to attend the meeting.

Correspondence item 27 - Cllr Letch advised he had received a letter from someone objecting to the event.

It was **resolved** to note the correspondence and matters to note (Proposed by Cllr Harris)

1606/69 Business brought forward

At the discretion of the Chairman, to report on matters not on the agenda and for information only.

Cllr Dixon

- expressed concern that vehicles approaching the Tesco roundabout from the Link Road are too fast and the white dotted lines marking the junction have diminished and faded. The area is at high risk of an accident.

Cllr Wyer

- An arrow needs to be painted on the highway when leaving Tesco store/petrol station and approaching the roundabout to clearly show motorists which lane they need to be in to go straight on.



Initials:

Cllr Sansom

- Had received a complaint regarding issues at Waresfoot Drive. Cllrs Letch and Way advised they have spoken with residents at Waresfoot Drive and are aware of the issues.
- Had received complaints about footpath 33 from an elderly resident as they were unable to reach the hand rail because of overgrowth.

Cllr Walters

- There is a cover missing from the bollard holes, located in the Town Square opposite the Three Little Pigs, which causes a problem when the bollards are removed. At the weekend a gentleman got his walking stick caught down the hole.

Cllr Letch

- Had received complaints regarding vans parking in the disabled parking bay on East Street and cars parking on the pavement there. Also motorists are parking in the taxi parking bay by Tesco.

PART TWO

1606/70 It was **resolved** that under section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 that the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the following items as it involves the likely disclosure of sensitive and confidential information. (Proposed by Cllr Letch)

1606/71 **To receive a recommendation from the Administration & Personnel Committee to change the Assistant to the Town Clerk & Mayor's terms and conditions of employment.** Councillors' attention was drawn to the minutes of the Administration & Personnel Committee meeting held on 14th June 2016. It was **resolved** to alter the Assistant to the Town Clerk & Mayor's terms and conditions of employment by increasing her hours from 30 hours per week to 37 hours per week from 1st July 2016. (Proposed by Cllr Letch)

It was **resolved** that when the Assistant to the Town Clerk & Mayor attains her degree it will be treated as a professional qualification and she will be rewarded accordingly. (Proposed by Cllr Letch)

It was **resolved** that when the Assistant to the Town Clerk & Mayor attains her CiLCA qualification her salary will be changed in line with the SLCC/NALC Town/Parish Clerk pay scales. (Proposed by Cllr Letch)

1606/72 **Close**
The meeting closed at 8.45 pm



19/7/2016

Crediton Biogas

I am the energy spokesman for CPRE Devon. I have been studying and dealing with Anaerobic Digesters in Devon since about 2010. We now have experience in Mid Devon from one plant which has been operational for over 18 months and three that are under construction. We have learned a lot. From studying the application documents, I suggest that there are **seven** major concerns:


1. **Size:** It has to be appreciated that what is proposed is a huge plant. There are two tanks of diameter about 31m and height 15m and one tank of diameter about 35m and height 15m (about the same as a 5-storey building), plus an area of clamps for crop storage bigger than a football pitch and also a lot of other equipment. It will look like a chemical works because that is what it is (albeit a bio-chemical works), with lots of connecting pipework etc that you won't see on any of the drawings. Is this the kind of facility that should be run by a farmer, bearing in mind that ADs represent a high risk of accidents and pollution?
2. **Transport:** The traffic implications are enormous. The applicant's calculations are wrong and assume illegal load sizes. Unacceptable traffic movements at all times of night and day have been a huge concern at the operational plant at Nomansland - accompanied by lights and beepers. This is a major concern.
3. **Noise:** There is no noise assessment. Considerable noise will be generated from vehicle movements and from equipment on the site, 24/7.
4. **Crops:** The amount of crops going into the plant is enormous (35,000te per year, several square miles worth and about 80% of the total feedstock) - and a similar large area is needed to get rid of the digestate. We have found that the provision of fodder crops disrupts normal farm trade for miles around - many farmers are not happy. It is claimed in the Crediton Gazette that it will provide enough gas for 5,000 homes (though that is a big exaggeration). That amounts to 7te of crops destroyed for each home. Does that make any sense?



5. **Flood plain:** Filling in part of the flood plain to build the plant on a raised platform and digging out another part of the floodplain to compensate, although allowed under certain circumstances, is madness. The digging out had no benefit according to the model. Unintended consequences of the changed flow - cannot be calculated?
6. **Is it sustainable?** The application does not state how much energy will be produced. There is a strong possibility that the plant would not be sustainable (i.e. it could consume more energy than it produces, particularly in growing and transporting the crops). A lot of the energy will in any case be wasted (by being self-consumed by the plant). The Government is introducing new sustainability criteria for AD plants.
7. **Policy:** Recent Government policy is not to put crops in ADs on farms. *"It is also Government policy that the primary purpose of agricultural land should be for **growing food**" and " it is not our intention to support an AD industry which has a high dependency on crops"* (in this case about 80%)¹.



¹ 'Review of support for Anaerobic Digestion and micro-Combined Heat and Power under the Feed-in Tariffs scheme', DECC, 26 May 2016.


CREDITON BIOMASS

I'd like to ask the councillors if they are aware that this application raises more questions than it answers?

In particular, are you aware that the Transport Statement has failed to fully address tractor & HGV movements approaching the site from the west and north west and that the route from the Copplestone direction on the A377 would take vehicles either through the town centre or along the totally unsuitable Higher Road from Barnstaple Cross towards Jockey Hill? The applicant cannot guarantee, as he claims, that "trips from the north will access the site via the Commercial Road – A3072 mini roundabout and trips from the south will access the site via Wellparks Hill link road" as he claims. He cannot guarantee, as he claims, that "The proposed routing of trips will also result in vehicles avoiding Exeter Road and the centre of Crediton".

Are the councillors aware that the applicant can import crops from wherever he can obtain them? Are the councillors aware that he cannot be stopped from using any route he wishes and that it is not possible to enforce conditions only allowing certain roads to be used and preventing other roads, such as through the town centre, from being used?



20 June 2016 (2016-2017)

Crediton Town Council PAYMENTS LIST

Voucher Code	Date	Minute	Bank	Cheque No	Description	Supplier	VAT Type	Net	VAT	Total
73	23/05/2016		Lloyds TSB curren	004424	Grant Funding	Crediton & District Acce	E	100.00	0.00	100.00
74	23/05/2016		Lloyds TSB curren	004425	Grant Funding	Crediton Town Team (C	E	447.50	0.00	447.50
75	23/05/2016		Lloyds TSB curren	004426	Grant Funding	Newcombes Meadow Cc	E	2,500.00	0.00	2,500.00
76	21/06/2016		Lloyds TSB curren	004427	Fingerpost refurbishment	R J Brooks & Son Ltd	S	563.75	112.75	676.50
77	21/06/2016		Lloyds TSB curren	004427	Fingerpost refurbishment	R J Brooks & Son Ltd	E	205.00	0.00	205.00
78	21/06/2016		Lloyds TSB curren	004428	Peoples Park - Grass Cutl	Hooper Services	S	190.00	38.00	228.00
79	21/06/2016		Lloyds TSB curren	004429	Parking Permit - Market	Mid Devon District Coun	S	166.66	33.33	199.99
80	21/06/2016		Lloyds TSB curren	004430	Floral Crediton flower dis	EAG Sherwood	E	95.76	0.00	95.76
81	21/06/2016		Lloyds TSB curren	004431	Advert - Floral Crediton	Crediton Country Courie	S	100.00	20.00	120.00
82	21/06/2016		Lloyds TSB curren	004432	Display Boards	Rap Industries Limited	S	252.00	50.40	302.40
83	21/06/2016		Lloyds TSB curren	004433	Stationery	Devon Commercial Stati	S	28.04	5.61	33.65
84	21/06/2016		Lloyds TSB curren	004434	Woodchip - Peoples Park	Urban and Rural Tree S	S	200.00	40.00	240.00
85	21/06/2016		Lloyds TSB curren	004435	Printing Charges	Concorde	S	47.48	9.50	56.98
86	21/06/2016		Lloyds TSB curren	004436	Printing Charges	Concorde	S	33.07	6.61	39.68
87	21/06/2016		Lloyds TSB curren	004437	Floral Crediton plants	Crediton Garden Centre	S	133.37	26.67	160.04
88	21/06/2016		Lloyds TSB curren	004438	IT Support	Mid Devon District Coun	S	180.00	36.00	216.00
89	21/06/2016		Lloyds TSB curren	004439	Parish Path gate repairs	Adams Home Hardware	S	0.85	0.17	1.02
90	21/06/2016		Lloyds TSB curren	004439	Fence Paint - Blagdon	Adams Home Hardware	S	9.98	2.00	11.98
91	21/06/2016		Lloyds TSB curren	004439	Wildlife Area - Bird Feedi	Adams Home Hardware	S	10.48	2.10	12.58
92	21/06/2016		Lloyds TSB curren	004439	Plastic Cups for meeting	Adams Home Hardware	S	1.66	0.33	1.99
93	21/06/2016		Lloyds TSB curren	004439	Stationery	Adams Home Hardware	S	2.17	0.43	2.60
94	21/06/2016		Lloyds TSB curren	004440	Flower Towers - Plants at	Mr A E Jewell	E	238.25	0.00	238.25
95	21/06/2016		Lloyds TSB curren	004441	Security Waste Collection	JB Confidential	S	7.00	1.40	8.40
96	21/06/2016		Lloyds TSB curren	004442	Peoples Park - Grass Cutl	Hooper Services	S	190.00	38.00	228.00
97	21/06/2016		Lloyds TSB curren	004443	Barnfield - central pathw	Hooper Services	S	38.00	7.60	45.60
98	21/06/2016		Lloyds TSB curren	004443	Barnfield - waste ground	Hooper Services	S	46.00	9.20	55.20
99	21/06/2016		Lloyds TSB curren	004444	Hanging baskets - Redve	Susan's Flower Shop	E	150.00	0.00	150.00
100	23/05/2016		Petty Cash	pettycash	Postage - 1st class signet	Post Office Ltd	E	2.37	0.00	2.37
101	23/05/2016		Petty Cash	pettycash	Postage - 1st class signet	Post Office Ltd	E	2.06	0.00	2.06
102	25/05/2016		Petty Cash	pettycash	Postage - 1st class signet	Post Office Ltd	E	2.06	0.00	2.06
103	21/06/2016		Lloyds TSB curren	004445	Waymarkers	Brissco	S	214.60	42.92	257.52
104	21/06/2016		Lloyds TSB curren	004446	Tree Risk Assessment	A M Lane	S	815.00	163.00	978.00
105	21/06/2016		Lloyds TSB curren	004447	Salaries - May	Mid Devon District Coun	E	4,178.85	0.00	4,178.85
106	21/06/2016		Lloyds TSB curren	004447	PAYE/National Insurance	Mid Devon District Coun	E	309.32	0.00	309.32
107	21/06/2016		Lloyds TSB curren	004447	Pension Contributions	Mid Devon District Coun	E	747.45	0.00	747.45
108	21/06/2016		Lloyds TSB curren	004447	Payroll Administration	Mid Devon District Coun	S	10.00	2.00	12.00

Crediton Town Council
PAYMENTS LIST

Voucher Code	Date	Minute	Bank	Cheque No	Description	Supplier	VAT Type	Net	VAT	Total
109 Councillor/Clerk Expens	21/06/2016		Lloyds TSB curren	004448	Councillor Expenses	Mr F Letch	E	28.94	0.00	28.94
							Total	12,247.67	648.02	12,895.69



Crediton Town Council
RECEIPTS LIST

Voucher Code	Date	Minute	Bank	Receipt No	Description	Customer	VAT Type	Net	VAT	Total
23 Christmas Lights	18/05/2016		Lloyds TSB curren	bacs	Christmas lights donation	Smarter Accounting	E	60.00	0.00	60.00
24 Exhibition Rd - Allotmer	24/05/2016		Lloyds TSB curren	cheque	Exhibition Road - Allotme	Mr P Hemmings	E	7.09	0.00	7.09
25 Boniface Allot Ass. Mem	24/05/2016		Lloyds TSB curren	cheque	Boniface Allot Ass - Meml	Mr P Hemmings	E	1.08	0.00	1.08
26 Interest on bank accour	09/06/2016		Lloyds TSB precep	bacs	Bank Interest	Lloyds Bank	E	7.24	0.00	7.24
27 Interest on bank accour	09/06/2016		Lloyds TSB reserv	bacs	Bank Interest	Lloyds Bank	E	0.55	0.00	0.55
28 Floral Crediton Flower T	14/06/2016		Lloyds TSB curren	cash	Flower Tower Sponsorshi	The Green House	E	50.00	0.00	50.00
29 Exhibition Rd - Allotmer	16/06/2016		Lloyds TSB curren	cheque	Exhibition Road - Allotme	Mrs Rose Whitehouse	E	4.12	0.00	4.12
30 Boniface Allot Ass. Mem	16/06/2016		Lloyds TSB curren	cheque	Boniface Allot Ass - Meml	Mrs Rose Whitehouse	E	0.63	0.00	0.63
Total								130.71	0.00	130.71



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Bank Reconciliation at 21/06/2016		
	Cash in Hand 01/04/2016	
		160,713.95
	ADD	
	Receipts 01/04/2016 - 21/06/2016	113,632.86
		274,346.81
	SUBTRACT	
	Payments 01/04/2016 - 21/06/2016	47,198.04
A	Cash in Hand 21/06/2016 (per Cash Book)	227,148.77
	Cash in hand per Bank Statements	
	Cash 20/06/2016	0.00
	Lloyds TSB current a/c 034522' 20/06/2016	16,910.70
	Lloyds TSB precept a/c 034525 20/06/2016	170,501.17
	Lloyds TSB reserve a/c 067835 20/06/2016	50.34
	Petty Cash 20/06/2016	93.51
	Cambridge & Counties 20/06/2016	50,000.00
		237,555.72
	Less unrepresented cheques As attached	10,461.70
		227,094.02
	Plus unrepresented receipts As attached	54.75
B	Adjusted Bank Balance	227,148.77
	A = B Checks out OK	



Mrs C. Dalley

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BUSINESS ACCOUNT 30-93-14 03452274
CREDITON TOWN COUNCIL

£ 16,910.70 Current balance

£16,910.70 Available funds

BUS BANK INSTANT 30-93-14 06783514
CREDITON TOWN COUNCIL

£ 50.34 Balance

BUS BANK INSTANT 30-93-14 03452509
CREDITON TOWN COUNCIL

£ 170,501.17 Balance

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Email: savings@ccbank.co.uk

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Mr F W Letch
Council Offices,
Market Street
Crediton
Devon
EX17 2BN

Dear Mr Letch

We are delighted to confirm that your new Cambridge & Counties Bank 120 Day Notice Business Saving Account - Issue 1 Monthly 1.790% Gross has been opened.

Please find enclosed your welcome pack which explains how to operate the account and also includes 'notice to withdraw forms' should you wish to move funds back to your current account. Please note, to withdraw from this account the full notice period must be served - withdrawals cannot be made early by paying an interest penalty.

Your new account details are:

Account Number	Sort Code	Opening Deposit
15006951	60-95-86	£50,000.00

These details should be given to your bank should you wish to transfer funds from your current account into your savings account.

If you wish to view your account online, please follow the instructions in section 1 of your welcome pack. Once logged in, simply click 'add your accounts' and enter the account number above to gain access to your account online. If you completed your application online, the individual completing the application will automatically be given access to this account.

Thank you for your business and should you have any queries please contact us at savings@ccbank.co.uk or on 0344 225 3939.

Yours sincerely

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and Prudential Regulation Authority

Financial Services Register No: 579415

Outstanding Debts as at 20th June 2016

Invoice Date	Invoice Number	Amount	In relation to
May-16			
MDDC Service Charges		£207.00	
TOTAL AMOUNT OUTSTANDING		£207.00	



Year To Date Budget 2016-2017

EXPENDITURE	Budget	April	May	June	July	August	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	March	%Budget	Remaining	Total Spend
Administration	11,108	337.98	845.03	673.70										16.7	9,251.29	1,856.71
Council & Councillors	9,260	1,043.72	1,032.07	348.93										26.2	6,835.28	2,424.72
Property & Parks	24,390	2,385.00	3,516.49	809.38										27.5	17,679.13	6,710.87
Insurance	2,500		1,792.67											71.7	707.33	1,792.67
Parish Paths (P3)	0			258.54										-	-258.54	258.54
Grants	20,000	15,060.00	547.50											78.0	4,392.50	15,607.50
Amenities	23,100		190.43	560.27										3.2	22,349.30	750.70
Localism Projects	27,824													-	27,824.00	-
Sub Total	118,182	18,827	7,924	2,651	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	24.9	88,780.29	29,401.71

Salaries/PAYE/NI	Budget													%Budget	Balance	Total Spend
Salaries	52,321		3,593.50	4,178.85												7,772.35
PAYE/NI	7,221		309.32	309.32												618.64
Pension Payments	10,987		747.45	747.45												1,494.90
Sub Total	70,529	-	4,650.27	5,235.62	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	14.0	60,643.11	9,885.89

Budget Spend	188,711.00	18,826.70	12,574.46	7,886.44	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	20.8	149,423.40	39,287.60
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Ear Marked Reserves/Project Funds																
TAP Fund Grants	0														0.00	-
Wildlife Garden	289	104.00	55.03											55.0	129.97	159.03
Neighbourhood Plan	4,650													-	4,650.00	-
Allotments	1,747													-	1,747.00	-
Street Furniture & Small Works	691			881.50										127.6	-190.50	881.50
Upper Deck	1,740													-	1,740.00	-
General Fund	47,117	358.80	3,461.06	1,073.76										10.4	42,223.01	4,893.62
War Memorial - Pointing	394													-	394.00	-
Election Expenses	6,497													-	6,497.00	-
Economic Development	7,710													-	7,710.00	-
Christmas Lights Repair/Renewal	4,562		259.80											5.7	4,302.20	259.80
Christmas in Crediton (donations)	519													-		-
Localism Projects	20,000													-	20,000.00	-
Feasibility Study	2,445													-	2,445.00	-
Band Stand	500		392.89											78.6	107.11	392.89
Tesco Community Fund	895													-	895.00	-
P3 Parish paths	1,212													-	1,212.00	-
Floral Crediton	2,344													-	2,344.00	-
Town Clock	500													-	500.00	-
Premises	2,200													-	2,200.00	-
CCTV	2,000													-	2,000.00	-
Boniface Statue	1,500													-	1,500.00	-
War Memorial (General)	2,500													-	2,500.00	-
Mayors Chain	1,000													-	1,000.00	-
Repair of Brick planters	1,500													-	1,500.00	-
P3 Grant - Bridge project	3,000													-	3,000.00	-
Incredible Edible - Town Square	100													-	100.00	-
General Legal/Professional Fees	2,500													-	2,500.00	-
Stonypark Legal/Professional Fees	5,000													-	5,000.00	-
Crediton Town Plates	343													-	343.00	-
Tree Works	6													-	6.00	-
MDDC Building	15,000													-	15,000.00	-
Sub Total	140,461	462.80	4,168.78	1,955.26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-			6,586.84

Creditors from 2015-2016 now paid																
CinC - Town Square electrics	1,324		1,323.60													1,323.60
CinC - Waste Services	70															-
Sub Total	1,394	-	1,323.60	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-			1,323.60

Total Spend inc reserves	330,565.71	19,289.50	18,066.84	9,841.70	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		283,367.67	47,198.04
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INCOME	Budget	April	May	June	July	August	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	March	%Budget	Balance	Total Income
Administration	60	8.27	9.01	7.79										41.8	34.93	25.07
Council & Councillors	0		-											#DIV/0!	0.00	-
Property & Parks	4,481	24.26	13.10	4.75										0.9	4,438.89	42.11
Insurance	0													#DIV/0!	0.00	-
Parish Paths (P3)	0	250.00												#DIV/0!	-250.00	250.00
Grants	0													#DIV/0!	0.00	-
Amenities	3,200	100.00	360.00	50.00										15.9	2,690.00	510.00
VAT Repayment	6,500		5,920.68											91.1	579.32	5,920.68
Sponsorship	0													#DIV/0!	0.00	-
Precept	193,234	96,616.93												50.0	96,616.93	96,616.93
Council Tax Support Grant	6,236	3,118.07												50.0	3,118.07	3,118.07
Salaries (Transitional Grant)	0	7,000.00												#DIV/0!	-7,000.00	7,000.00
TAP Fund Grants	0													#DIV/0!	0.00	-
Neighbourhood Plan	0													#DIV/0!	0.00	-
Peoples Park Wildlife Garden	0													#DIV/0!	0.00	-
Earmarked Reserve (Tesco Fund)	0		150.00													
Sub Total	213,711	107,117.53	6,452.79	62.54	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	53.2	100,078.14	113,632.86
Total Income	£213,711	£107,117.53	£6,452.79	£63	£0	£0	£0	£0	£0	£0	£0	£0	£0	53.2	£100,078.14	£113,632.86

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