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## Sampford Courtenay Parish Council Considerations for Planning Applications

Does the application relate to a Listed Building?See Note 1	
Is the application within the Conservation Area? <sup>See Note 1</sup>	
Have there been any objections to the Planning Application?	

Has a clear and transparent Design and Access Statement been submitted for consideration? <sup>See Note 2</sup>
Are there clear plans available drawn up by a Qualified Architect?See Note 3

Considerations regarding the Local Architectural Venacular

Are the designs in keeping with local properties / landscape that portray the general character of the area?
Does the design complement the needs of the Parish including local traditional materials, styles and craftsmanship?

Considerations regarding impact on Local Highways

Does the development have an impact on parking, access, increased vehicular traffic<br/>on the local area?Is there alternative transport arrangements in place to support the development?

Considerations regarding the impact on local wildlife, flowers and fauna or sites of Local scientific or historical significance

Is a wildlife impact report available?
Are there sufficient plans in place to minimise the environmental impact of local species?
Are plans in place to minimise the impact on sites of scientific or historic significance?

Considerations regarding sustainability - environmentally, economically and socially

Do the plans include use of recycled, energy efficient materials and designs?			
Do the plans include affordable homes for local people?			
Do the plans support (directly or indirectly) local economic growth in the Parish?			

## Notes and guidance

To ensure a clear and consistent process for the PC the above considerations will be checked for each application that is considered. The following notes are additional explanation to applicants of the local process introduced to complement the national and regional guidelines implemented by the Planning Officers and where required the Local Planning committee.

The Parish Council would encourage any applicant or Agent to attend the local Planning Meeting (normally held during the monthly Parish Council Meeting) as direct questions can be answered and clear ambiguity in an application.

Note<sup>1</sup> Specific regulations and National Guidelines will relate to these applications. A more rigorous review of the Parish Councils considerations will be made when considering and submitting their opinion to the Planning officer

Note<sup>2</sup> Councillors are grateful for honest and transparent information regarding the use and design of the proposed building. An example of a good statement will include answers to some of the considerations set out under sections regarding Architectural Vernacular, impact on highways, impact on environment and sustainability.

Other than in relation to buildings in Note 1 above, the SC-PC would have a tendency to support planning applications where no objections have been received and where the access and design does not impinge on the rights of local people particularly neighbours. Clear unambiguous statements will assist councillors to support applications.

Note<sup>3</sup> Provision of clear plans including elevations, and changes to existing buildings, windows and doorways are a great assistance to councillors in supporting an application

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