

## **Planning Report for EMPC meeting 28<sup>th</sup> May 2025**

### **Planning Applications**

6 planning applications have been received since the last meeting. Of these, 5 were for dwellings and 1 was for tree work.

All were 'no objection' although 4 of them had substantial comments and requests for conditions.

### **Appeals**

An appeal has been lodged against the refusal of planning permission to convert a redundant barn ('Riplington Barn') into a detached dwelling. Among the reasons for refusal is that the barn isn't worthy of conversion without the need of substantial reconstruction.

### **The South Downs Local Plan**

Over 2,000 comments from across the National Park were received during the South Downs Local Plan consultation period. (EMPC submitted our comments immediately after our March meeting!) Feedback on the comments is being put together and will be released in the coming period.

### **Other**

EHDC has issued a statement apologising for delays in the planning application process. EHDC says, "We take full responsibility for these delays and are putting extra resources into clearing the backlog. Our goal is to ensure the planning service provides the best possible service for residents and developers."

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