

## July 2025 report from EDDC Cllr Faithfull

### Strategic Planning

General feedback from the consultation was rather mixed and in conflict with itself. While residents generally responded with negative comments in relation to their own local sites, developers were strongly in support of the overall want to build across the district. There were questions over the soundness of our reg. 19 documents. A formal response to the consultation will be presented to a later meeting, probably in the autumn.

### Cabinet

There has been a consultation from central government in relation to proposed changes to planning committees and how they work. EDDC have responded to that consultation.

### Full Council

A major part of the full council meeting was taken up with discussions about giving powers to the Combe Raleigh community, who do not have a parish council. They, instead, have parish meetings to discuss parish matters. They have suggested that this way of working encourages more participation from members of the public. The downside is that they have very limited powers. They were requesting more powers be given to them.

Structural changes to the EDDC senior management were proposed.

Motions - one of the motions for our full council was to include care homes and hotel accommodation in flood risk assessments.

A motion I put forward, that was supported by Cllr Colins, was in relation to low level letterboxes and the harm they cause to our posties.

Cabinet, Wed. 30th July

### Stewardship of Public Amenities

This included open spaces in new developments and a need to review the situation of a two tier system. There was also discussions about assets being transferred to town and Parrish councils.