

Appendix 1 - extract of the Committee Protocol, approved at the meeting on 31st May 2013

9. Public Speaking at Committee..... 1

This Protocol has been prepared in order to set out clearly the way in which the Development and Regulation Committee will conduct its business in relation to its consideration of planning applications.

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Arrangements have been developed to enable applicants or their agent, objectors and other interested parties to address the Committee, and are detailed in a separate document entitled 'Public Speaking at the Development and Regulation Committee'.

Generally only one prospective speaker will be allowed to speak from each of the following categories:-

District/Borough Council (to speak on behalf of the relevant Parish Council unless that Parish Council's view is different, in which case the Parish Council may also speak).

Objector

Applicant

Supporter

Anyone wishing to speak at a meeting shall give two working days notice to the Committee Administrator and, subject to confirmation that they may address the Committee, shall then submit a supporting paper outlining the main points of the presentation also at least two working days prior to the meeting. This is to enable the points they wish to raise to be fully considered at the meeting. Presentations will be limited to 3 minutes each.

The time limits and number of speakers may be extended particularly for major strategic applications at the discretion of the Chairman of the Committee.

Under normal circumstances public speaking will only be permitted when a planning application is considered for the first time by the Committee. Therefore if the application is deferred a further presentation to the Committee will not be permitted unless new and significant factors have arisen.