

# **ASFORDBY PARISH COUNCIL**

## **PLANNING COMMITTEE PUBLIC SPEAKING POLICY**

**Asfordby Parish Council has adopted the following procedure to enable applicants, supporters and objectors to speak on those planning applications that are brought to the Parish Council's Planning Committee for comment.**

## **ADDRESSING THE PLANNING COMMITTEE**

If you wish to appear in person to address the meeting of the Council's Planning Committee on a particular planning application, then you are able to do so providing the following rules are observed:

1. All parties wishing to address the Committee must notify the Clerk no later than 2 working days before the meeting. When more than one objector or supporter wishes to speak they will be requested to work together to appoint a presentative to speak on behalf of all the objectors/supporters. (Speakers will be required to provide contact details that may be given to third parties).

2. In speaking to the Planning Committee any comments made must relate to the relevant planning issues such as:

- (a) relevant planning policies
- (b) layout and density of buidings
- (c) overshadowing , overlooking and loss of privacy
- (d) appearance and character of development
- (e) traffic generation
- (f) highway safety
- (g) parking provisions
- (h) noise, disturbance or other loss of amenities

The right to address the Planning Committee is also governed by the following restrictions:

3. Your oral presentation will be restricted to within 3 minute and there will be no further opportunity to address the Committee. This is not an opportunity for any party to turn the procedure into a hearing by entering into discussion or a question and answer session.

4. Applications will not be deferred because of the absence of speakers.

5. You will not be permitted to address the Committee on non-material planning issues, for example:

- (a) boundary disputes, covenants or other property rights
- (b) the applicant's morals or motives
- (c) reduction in property values
- (d) loss of private views over land or countryside
- (e) matters dealt with under other legislation
- (f) temporary disruption caused during construction works
- (g) possible future development not being included in the application.

6. The Committee will not accept any written submissions or other information brought forward by speakers at the meeting. Any such material should be sent to the Clerk in advance of the meeting, preferable 7 days, so that any information can be included in the agenda papers.

7. The Chairman reserves the right not to apply this procedure in cases where a report is marked "not for publication" and is exempt under Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

## **THE ORDER OF SPEAKING**

- 1. The Chairman will announce the planning application.
- 2. Representations by objector(s) or their spokesperson
- 3. Representations by the applicant(s) or their spokesperson.

## **WHERE AND WHERE ARE MEETINGS HELD?**

Planning Committee meetings are held in the meeting room at the Parish Hall, 24 Main Street, Asfordby commencing at 7.00 pm.

A calendar of meetings is published by the Parish Council and are available from the Clerk.

Agendas containing details of what planning applications are to be discussed are published five working days prior to the meeting.

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