

EXAMPLES OF PUBLIC SPEAKING RULES FOR PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY COMMITTEES AT OTHER LOCAL AUTHORITIES

A BUCKINGHAMSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

PROCEDURE FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WISHING TO ADDRESS THE RIGHTS OF WAY COMMITTEE

- 1 The applicant, the landowner, and anyone who has lodged an objection or representation may address the Committee to speak for or against the application, either personally or through a representative.
- 2 Anyone wishing to address the Committee must give four working days notice to the Committee Clerk, who will then notify other interested parties.
- 3 Additional evidence may be presented but anything received later than three working days prior to the meeting will only be accepted in exceptional circumstances and at the Chairman's discretion.
- 4 Each side shall have four minutes in which to speak to the Committee. If there is more than one person wishing to speak for a particular side, the four minutes shall be divided between them or a spokesperson may be appointed to speak on behalf of all of them.
- 5 No member of the public shall speak on a matter before the County Council's officer has presented his/her report.
- 6 Members may ask questions of speakers for clarification but should not enter into a discussion with the person.
- 7 Personal remarks will not be tolerated.
- 8 The Chairman reserves the right to terminate a speaker's presentation at any time.

B SUFFOLK COUNTY COUNCIL

Public Speaking at County Council and Committee Meetings

- Development Control and Rights of Way Committee
- 1 Any member of the public, being resident in or a registered local government elector for Suffolk, may speak at any meeting of the Development Control Committee or the Rights of Way Committee, on any matter before the Committee for consideration at that meeting, where appropriate notice has been given.

- 2 A total of 10 minutes of public speaking will be allowed for each matter before the Committee. The total time allocated to each speaker will not exceed 3 minutes,

C DEVON COUNTY COUNCIL

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AT PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY COMMITTEE

- 1 At any meeting of the Public Rights of Way Committee an objector or supporter may make a presentation of up to three minutes relating to any Order relating to a proposal for a public path order to be considered by the Committee, at the meeting at which it is to be considered.
- 2 Any objector or supporter who wishes to make a presentation to the Public Rights of Way Committee must give notice of that intention, in writing, to the Chief Executive by 12 noon on the third working day before the relevant meeting of the Committee, indicating the proposal upon which he/she wishes to make a presentation.
- 3 Where a number of objectors or supporters wish to make presentations, a representative shall be nominated by them to present the views of all the objectors or supporters. In such cases the identity of the spokesperson must also be made known to the Chief Executive prior to the start of the meeting. If necessary the Chief Executive will draw the attention of objectors or supporters to the need to nominate a single spokesperson.
- 4 Presentations will be strictly limited to three minutes and will be made only after a short introduction of the report by the relevant Officer. Objectors or supporters may not participate in the debate or ask questions of Officers or Members.
- 5 Where presentations are to be made by both an objector and a supporter on a particular proposal, they will be taken in that order, but if one decides not to participate the other will not be precluded from making a presentation.