

Highways and Transport Committee - Incorporating the Terms of Reference of the Public Rights of Way Committee

Membership: 13 Councillors

Functions

- 1 The Highways and Transport Committee shall be responsible for developing policies and making decisions on matters relating to highways and transport as they affect the area of the Council taking into account regional and national influences.
- 2 The Committee's responsibilities include:
 - 2.1 formulation, co-ordination and implementation of corporate policies and strategies in connection with all car parking, transport and accessibility matters;
 - 2.2 determination of any matter affecting the Council's interests in relation to national infrastructure matters, for example HS2, Northern Powerhouse Rail and the National Road Network;
 - 2.3 discharge of the Council's responsibilities as Highway Authority; local transport authority; parking authority; and lead local flood authority
 - 2.4 determination of policies and making decisions in relation to flooding and accessibility, in co-ordination with the Scrutiny Committee;
 - 2.5 compulsory purchase of land to support the delivery of schemes and projects promoted by the Committee; and
 - 2.6 *In respect of public rights of way:*
 - 2.7 *discharge all the functions of the Council in relation to public rights of way (except the determination of non-contentious Public Path Order applications 2.9 which has been delegated to the Executive Director Place);*
 - 2.8 *discharge of Commons and Town and Village Greens functions;*
 - 2.9 *being apprised of, approve, and comment on a range of policies,*
 - 2.10 *programmes and practices relating to Rights of Way, Commons, Town and Village Greens and countryside matters including:*
 - 2.11 *progress reports on implementation of the Rights of Way improvement Plan (part of the Annual Progress Review for the Local Transport Plan);*
 - 2.12 *Statements of Priorities;*
 - 2.13 *Enforcement Protocols;*
 - 2.14 *Charging Policy for Public Path Order applications*
- 3 Oversight, scrutiny, reviewing outcomes, performance, budget monitoring and risk management of the Directorate of Highways and Infrastructure including: Transport Policy; Transport Commissioning; Car-parking; Highways; Infrastructure and HS2.

Northern and Southern Planning Committees – Revised Terms of Reference

1. *To exercise the Council's functions relating to town and country planning and development control, the protection of important hedgerows, preservation of trees, regulation of high hedges and any relevant applications pursuant to Schedule 17 of the High Speed Rail Acts. Some of these functions are delegated on to the Head of Planning: the following are retained for the Planning Committees.*

2. *Applications for major development for:*
 - 2.1.1. *residential developments of 20 dwellings or more, or 1 ha or more.*
 - 2.1.2. *retail, commercial, industrial, or other floor space of 5,000 square metres or more, or 2 ha or more.*
 - 2.1.3. *This does not include re-applications for extant schemes or detailed applications where outline consent has been given or removal/variation of conditions.*

- 2.2. *Applications for major minerals or waste development other than small scale works which are ancillary to an existing mineral working or waste disposal facility.*

- 2.3. *The Applicant is either a Councillor, a senior Council officer (Grade 12 or above) or is an immediate family member, or the application is in respect of land within their ownership or control, and where representations objecting to the application have been received.
(Where objections have been received, applications recommended for refusal can be dealt with by officers under delegated powers Senior Council Officer is defined as Grade 12 or above and all officers within the Planning service with delegated responsibility to determine planning applications; immediate family is defined as spouse, partner, sibling, parent, or offspring. The definition of the Applicant does not include the agent for the application.*

- 2.4. *Applications considered to be significant applications by the Council either as applicant or landowner. This category will not normally include minor developments which accord with planning policy and to which no objection has been made.*

- 2.5. *Applications that have been approved to be referred to the Committee by a Councillor in accordance with the Committees' Referral procedure. However, any request must be received within 15 working days of the issue of the electronic notification of the application, and meet the material planning consideration(s) criteria which warrant the application going before*

committee (except for a request to review a Schedule 17 application, where a 7-day time frame will apply);

2.6. Applications advertised as a departure which the Head of Planning is minded approving.

2.7. Any other matters referred up to it at the discretion of the Head of Planning, including major development of less than the thresholds set out in paragraph 1.1 above which have wider strategic implications.

- 3. To exercise a consultation and advisory role, commenting upon the content of proposed planning policy, any document which forms part of or linked to the Local Plan and upon the effectiveness of existing policies employed in development control decisions.*
- 4. Applications for householder development, listed building consents to alter/extend and conservation area consents will normally be dealt with under delegated powers.*
- 5. Applications for advertisements, tree work, prior approvals, Certificates of Lawfulness and notifications will normally be dealt with under delegated powers.*
- 6. Where the application is to vary or remove a condition that was imposed by the Planning Committee it will not be delegated.*
- 7. There will be a presumption that a Referral request by a local ward Member will be agreed where applications are for the renewal (or extension of time) of extant, unimplemented permissions.*
- 8. To adopt working protocols and procedures: e.g. public speaking rights, Referral procedure and others.*