

EXTRACT FROM COMMITTEE PROCEDURE RULES

30. Information on the rights of Applicants, Objectors and Members to speak in relation to Applications at the Planning Committee

30.1 This procedure applies only to the following applications, which are to be determined by the Planning Committee:

30.1.1 Applications for planning permission, which are being recommended for grant or approval by the Chief Planning Officer.

30.1.2 Applications for prior approval of the siting and appearance of telecommunications development where the Chief Planning Officer is recommending that prior approval be not required OR that prior approval be required and granted.

30.2 The Rule does not apply to applications where the recommendation of the Chief Planning Officer is to refuse planning permission or to refuse prior approval of details of siting and appearance.

30.3 No later than 5.00 pm on the working day before the meeting, objectors should give notice to the Monitoring Officer of their wish to speak at the Planning Committee.

30.4 Subject to 30.5, only one objector will be permitted to address the Planning Committee in respect of each relevant application, and any group of objectors should therefore nominate a spokesperson.

30.5 In exceptional circumstances, the Planning Committee may by motion agree to allow a maximum of two objectors to address the Planning Committee.

30.6 The applicant may only make representations after any objector has addressed the Planning Committee (i.e. if there is no objector to an application the applicant will not be permitted to speak).

30.7 Objectors and applicants may speak for a maximum of three minutes each. Where the Planning Committee allows two objectors to address them under Rule 30.4, each objector may speak for a maximum of three minutes. In exceptional circumstances concerning significant

applications the Planning Committee may agree to increase the length of time for representations to a maximum of five minutes each.

- 30.8 Where an application is recommended for refusal by the Chief Planning Officer but the Planning Committee is minded to approve ('grant') the application, the application will be deferred to the next meeting of the Planning Committee to enable re-notification to take place and give an opportunity for objectors to the application to attend the subsequent meeting and make representations.
- 30.9 The deputation procedure referred to in Rule 16 applies to all other business on the Planning Committee agenda.
- 30.10 Where under 4.1.1 the Committee has agreed that a Member or Members of the Council may speak, the number of Members shall be limited to 3 who may each speak of a maximum of 5 minutes.