

Decision Summary

Committee: Standards Committee
Date: 9 March 2010
Committee Clerk: Andrea Woodside
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Chair

Mr P Blythe (Independent Member)

Councillors Attended

Derek John Hardcastle, Nigel Patrick

Co-opted Members

Mr D J Binns (Independent Member)
Councillor M Barlow (Denby Dale Parish Council)
Rev M Roberts (Independent Member)
Councillor C Kaye (Holme Valley Parish Council)
Councillor P Cunnington (Kirkburton Parish Council)

1. Minutes of previous meeting

To approve the Minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 12 January 2010.

Decision: Approved as a correct record.

2. Interests

The Councillors will be asked to say if there are any items on the Agenda about which they might have a personal interest which prevents them from taking part in the discussions. They could be financial or some other reason. A form is attached for completion by Councillors if they have an interest in any of the items to be discussed at the meeting. Please complete this form and return it to the Committee Officer at the end of the meeting.

Decision: No interests were declared.

3. Admission of the public

Most debates take place in public. This only changes when there is a need to consider certain issues, for instance, commercially sensitive information or details concerning an individual. You will be told at this point whether there are any items on the Agenda which are to be discussed in private.

Decision: Determined.

4. Deputations / Petitions

The Committee will receive any petitions and hear any deputations from members of the public.

A deputation is where up to five people can attend the meeting and make a presentation on some particular issue of concern. A member of the public can also hand in a petition at the meeting but that petition should relate to something on which the body has powers and responsibilities.

Decision: No deputations or petitions were received.

5. Public question time

The Committee will hear any questions from the general public.

Decision: No questions were asked.

6. Proposed Adoption of a Revised and Updated Protocol for Speaking at Planning Committees/Sub-Committees

To consider the revised protocol.

Contact: Vanessa Redfern 01484 221720

Decision: That the protocol be referred to Planning and Highways Committee, with the suggestion that amendments could be included to (i) specify that any objectors will speak prior to those in favour of an application and (ii) indicate that the Chair has discretion to amend the protocols as necessary.

7. Proposed Adoption of a Revised and Updated Councillors Protocol for Planning Committees

To consider the revised protocol.

Contact: Vanessa Redfern 01484 221720

Decision: That the protocol be referred to Planning and Highways Committee subject to (i) the wording of paragraph 9.9 being amended to prevent any confusion that votes contrary to the recommendation may not be allowed and to read that '... the Chair may not allow ...' (ii) consideration be given to amending the layout of the document so that there is a link between paragraphs 1.3 and 9.6 and (iii) the deletion of the final sentence of paragraph 9.8.

8. Proposed Adoption of a Revised and Updated Councillors Protocol for Licensing Committees

To consider the revised protocol.

Contact: Geoff Bell 01484 221312

Decision: That the protocol be noted and referred to Licensing Committee for further consideration.