

Planning Committee – Terms of Reference and Procedure

The Committee has the responsibility and delegated powers to act on behalf of the Council in respect of town and country planning matters and other associated functions within the Borough as follows.

Town and Country Planning and Development Control functions

1. As set out in Schedule 1 to the Local Authorities (Functions and Responsibilities)(England) Regulations 2000/2853 (as amended).

Public Rights of Way functions

2. As set out in Schedule 1 to the Local Authorities (Functions and Responsibilities)(England) Regulations 2000/2853 (as amended).

Functions in relation to hedgerows and the preservation of trees

3. As set out in schedule 1 of the Local Authorities (Functions and Responsibilities)(England) Regulations 2000/2853 (as amended).

Functions in relation to highways

4. As set out in Schedule 1 to the Local Authorities (Functions and Responsibilities)(England) Regulations 2000/2853 (as amended).

General

5. Annually review their effectiveness and their terms of reference.

PROCEDURE

- a) As a general rule the [Council Procedure Rules](#) govern the way that committees operate but these, with the exception of paragraph 14 of the Council Procedure Rules, may be varied or suspended at the discretion of the Chairman of the Committee in the interests of efficient and effective management of the committee.
- b) Separate procedures will apply when the committee is undertaking administrative or quasi-judicial functions to ensure a fair hearing.