



Planning & Environment Committee Terms of Reference

Members: 11

Quorum: 4

The following matters are the Terms of Reference of this Committee:

1. To make observations on planning applications and planning appeals and to notify Dorset Council of the committee's observations and comments
2. To make observations on tree matters and to notify Dorset Council of observations and comments
3. To receive and examine notification of the decisions of Dorset Council
4. To inform the relevant authorities of concerns of the committee related to public rights of way, highways, road safety, planning and environmental matters, with particular reference to climate change and reducing carbon emissions.
5. To monitor the built environment with particular reference to listed buildings and the conservation area
6. To endeavor to preserve and improve the quality of the environment
7. To monitor the activities of the relevant authorities with regard to enforcement matters
8. To oversee the activities of Council Staff with regard to public rights of way and highways

Delegated Powers of the Planning & Environment Committee

1. This committee has the power to make observations and comments on planning applications, planning appeals, rights of way, highways, road safety and tree matters and to notify the relevant authorities of those observations. Where deadlines fall between Council meetings, the Council has the power to make observations by email for the Chairman of the Committee and the Clerk to collate and submit.
2. The Town Council nominated Tree Officer is given the responsibility to investigate and make recommendations to this Committee regarding Tree Preservation Orders, Tree Works and other related tree matters.

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