



Notice is hereby given that there will be a committee meeting of

**PLANNING COMMITTEE**  
**Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2017 at 7.00 p.m.**  
**RVS Office**

All Committee members are summoned to attend

**To:** Cllrs Kathy Jasper, Alan Hope, Bob Schofield, Dai Pierce, Denis Gotel, Leslie Holt and Richard Robinson

Signed:

TOWN CLERK

Date:

**AGENDA**

**1 APOLOGIES**

Schedule 12 of the LGA 1972 requires a record to be kept of members present, and that this record forms part of the minutes of the meeting. A resolution must be passed on whether the reason(s) for a member's absence are acceptable.

**2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Under the Local Authorities, The Localism Act 2011, members must declare any interests and the nature of that interest, which they may have in any of the items under consideration at this meeting.

Members are reminded that they must disclose both the existence and the nature of a personal interest that they have in any matter to be considered at this meeting. A personal interest will be considered a prejudicial interest if this is one in which a member of the public with knowledge of the relevant facts would reasonably regard as so significant that it is likely to prejudice the members' judgement of the public interest.

### **3 QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC (3 Min per person maximum 15 minutes)**

To receive questions and statements from members of the public

### **4 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

Approve minutes from meeting on 9<sup>th</sup> October.

### **5 DCLG CONSULTATION**

To finalize a response to the DCLG consultation.

#### **Information**

Consultation sets out a number of proposals to reform the planning system to increase the supply of new homes and increase local authority capacity to manage growth.

Proposals include:

- a standard method for calculating local authorities' housing need
- how neighbourhood planning groups can have greater certainty on the level of housing need to plan for
- a statement of common ground to improve how local authorities work together to meet housing and other needs across boundaries
- making the use of viability assessments simpler, quicker and more transparent
- increased planning application fees in those areas where local planning authorities are delivering the homes their communities need

The 'Housing need consultation data table' sets out the housing need for each local planning authority using our proposed method, how many homes every place in the country is currently planning for, and, where available, how many homes they believe they need.

Alongside this consultation, the 'Comprehensive registration programme: priority areas for land registration' document lists those areas where Her Majesty's Land Registry intends to prioritise the registration of ownership of all publicly held land.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/planning-for-the-right-homes-in-the-right-places-consultation-proposals>

Notes from last meeting below:

Some notes from meeting as follows:

- Consultation suggests the more expensive the houses in the area, the more need to be built to try and bring down the price – naïve and won't work
- Importance of infrastructure is not highlighted
- If no. houses required under new housing need calculations is less than old/previous number then the higher number is the one that is used?
- Guaranteeing developers a specific % profit – if developer doesn't reach this percentage then they can claim it's not viable to provide affordable housing. Even more houses would be needed to meet affordable housing requirements
- Whole consultation document is difficult to make sense of and comes across as naïve and impractical in real world

**6 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting of the Planning Committee (if required) will be held on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November , 7pm at the Harlington in the RVS Office