



Planning Committee Terms of Reference

1. Introduction

- 1.1 The following Terms of Reference are an indication of the matters which stand referred to the Planning Committee of the Council. It will be a matter for Council to determine any matters which it wishes to refer to the Committee.
- 1.2 The Terms of Reference should also be read in conjunction with the Council's Constitution, including the Council's Standing Orders.
- 1.3 In applying the Terms of Reference it should be recognised that, in carrying out its remit, each Committee is empowered to consult, insofar as it might consider it necessary or desirable, with any other Committee of the Council or with any other Council or outside body or person.
- 1.4 This Committee will have responsibility for those functions relating to Planning.

2. Membership

- 2.1 13 members of the Council will be appointed as members of the Planning Committee.

3. Date and Location of Meetings

- 3.1 Meetings of the Planning Committee will normally be held on the third Wednesday of each month at 2.00pm. Meetings will alternate between The Grange, Omagh and the Townhall, Enniskillen. The Committee reserves the right to schedule additional meetings as required.

4. Specific Duties

- 4.1 The primary role of the Planning Committee is to exercise full delegated authority for the planning functions of the Council which have not been delegated to officers (see the FODC Scheme of Delegation) in relation to the Development Plan, Development Management and Enforcement.
- 4.2 The main remit of Fermanagh and Omagh District Council's Planning Committee includes:
 - (a) Exercising the Council's powers and duties in relation to local planning policies, plan strategies, monitoring reports, the statement of community involvement, LDP timetable and any other local development plan

document (except decisions which are to be taken by Council) including revisions of any such document;

- (b) Exercising the Council's powers in relation to listed buildings and Tree Preservation Orders;
- (c) Consideration and determination of applications for planning permission, consents and notifications in accordance with the Council's Scheme of Delegation;
- (d) Consideration and approval of submissions to the Planning Appeals Commission in relation to any planning matter that the Committee has responsibility for or was the decision maker;
- (e) Responding to consultations issued by the Department for Infrastructure or any other Department in relation to planning or planning related matters;
- (f) Responding to consultations in relation to regionally significant or major applications to be determined by the Department for Infrastructure;
- (g) Responding to consultations in relation to transboundary consultations on planning applications or local development plan related matters;
- (h) Dealing with any other planning related matter that a meeting of Council or any other Committee considers appropriate to be referred to the Planning Committee; and
- (i) Review of the Council's delivery of the Planning functions, including inspecting a sample of implemented planning decisions in order to assess the quality of decision making.