

**COUNCIL MEETING
WEDNESDAY 19TH SEPTEMBER 2007**

**MATTER WHICH REQUIRES A DECISION BY COUNCIL –
RECOMMENDATION FROM THE PLANNING (DEVELOPMENT CONTROL)
COMMITTEE - 11TH SEPTEMBER 2007 – UPDATE**

NEW CODE OF GOOD PRACTICE FOR PLANNING MATTERS

Purpose of Report

The original report on this matter was included in the Council Book, which was issued before the meeting of the Planning (Development Control) Committee on 11th September 2007.

The Committee has recommended the Council to adopt the Code, subject to some amendments. This update sets out the amendments, proposed by the Committee.

ITEM	RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL	CHAIRMAN
<u>NEW CODE OF GOOD PRACTICE FOR PLANNING MATTERS</u>	<p>An extract from Section 7 of the Code relating to Site Visits is attached, showing the Committee's proposed amendments in italics.</p> <p>RECOMMENDED TO COUNCIL:</p> <p>The Code of Good Practice for Planning Matters, as attached as an appendix to the report to the Planning (Development Control) Committee on 11th September 2007, be adopted with immediate effect, subject to the inclusion of the additional text under the first bullet point and the addition of a further bullet point in Section 7, Site Visits, shown in italics on the attached extract.</p> <p>The report is at Item 8 of the Planning (Development Control) Committee Agenda of 11th September 2007.</p>	Stephen Williams

**EXTRACT FROM SECTION 7 OF THE PROPOSED NEW CODE OF GOOD
PRACTICE FOR PLANNING MATTERS
SHOWING AMENDMENTS RECOMMENDED BY THE PLANNING
(DEVELOPMENT CONTROL) COMMITTEE ON 11TH SEPTEMBER 2007**

7. Site Visits

- **Do** try to attend site visits organised by the Council where possible. *Officers will try to arrange site visits at times convenient to Members of the Committee (though this may not always be possible). Where you are contacted to agree a day/time, please respond as quickly as possible.*

- **Do** try to familiarise yourself with application sites where they can be viewed from public vantage points by visiting the site in advance of the meeting where it will be considered. *This will assist you in making a decision and may prevent unnecessary delays in decision making whilst a Council arranged site visit takes place.*