

Strategic Planning Committee

The Council has established a Strategic Planning Committee.

The purpose of the Committee is to consider strategic planning matters. More local planning matters are dealt with by the four Area Planning Committees or by officers using delegated powers.

These Rules detail the membership of the Committee and what the roles and responsibilities of the Committee are.

MEMBERSHIP

The Committee shall comprise 13 Councillors all of whom shall have undertaken relevant training. The Committee shall be politically balanced.

SUBSTITUTIONS

Named substitutes. Substitutes must have completed relevant training.

Political groups may nominate their own members to the pool in accordance with the proportionalities in force at the time and may vary their nominees as and when required subject to the training requirements referred to.

CHAIRMANSHIP

Term of office will be one year.

The Chair and Vice Chair shall be appointed by the Council

QUORUM

The quorum shall be a quarter of voting members.

TERMS OF REFERENCE

To exercise the Council's functions relating to town and country planning and development management in relation to applications for large scale major development including:

1. Any planning matter relating to the North Northamptonshire Garden Communities SUE's and Villages developments.
2. Any planning matter relating to a residential development which totals 250 dwellings or more.

3. Any planning matter relating to a retail, commercial or industrial development with a floor space of 10,000m² or more, or a site area of 5ha or more.
4. All minerals or waste development.
5. Any planning matter involving energy production exceeding 10MW of energy generation capacity and / or with a site area of 10ha or more (but below the relevant threshold for Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects).
6. Any planning matter involving highway infrastructure, that in the opinion of the relevant senior planning officer, is primarily concerned with improving or changing the strategic highway infrastructure network (but is below the relevant threshold for Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects).
7. Any planning matter that crosses the boundaries applicable to any Area Planning Committee.
8. Any other planning matters which in the opinion of the relevant senior planning officer and in consultation with the Chairs of the relevant Planning Committees are considered to have strategic implications by reason of their scale, nature or location.