## **BROCKENHURST PARISH COUNCIL**

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|                          | PLANNING COMMITTEE TERMS OF REFERENCE  |
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| Members                  | The Planning Committee is constituted as a committee of<br>Brockenhurst Parish Council. The Committee composition shall<br>be a minimum of five Councillors with three voting members of<br>the Planning Committee constituting a quorum.<br>The Chairman of the planning committee is elected annually by<br>the committee at the first meeting after the Annual Council<br>meeting of Brockenhurst Parish Council.<br>The Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Full Council are ex<br>officio members of the Committee and entitled to vote.  |
| Purpose of the committee | To consider and submit recommendations on behalf of<br>Brockenhurst Parish Council to the NFNPA, as required, on<br>planning applications relating to land and buildings within the<br>boundary of Brockenhurst Parish Council. The Parish Council<br>is a consultee of the New Forest National Park Authority.<br>To consider any other matters relating to Planning  |
| Terms of<br>Reference    | The planning committee public meeting is usually held on the<br>fourth Monday of each month.<br>Additional Planning Committee meetings can be called as and<br>when necessary to ensure that all planning applications<br>received can be discussed and replied to within the timescale.   |
|                          | The Committee has delegated powers to consider and make<br>recommendations on behalf of the Parish Council on all<br>planning applications for Brockenhurst Parish Council and<br>submit comments on those applications to the New Forest<br>National Park Authority including Lawful Development<br>Certificates, General Permitted Development Certificates and<br>Change of Use Classes. To respond to any other related<br>planning authority, as requested. To review Planning<br>Inspectorate Appeals and, where appropriate, to respond on<br>behalf of the Parish Council. |
|                          | To monitor the NFNPA Planning Enforcement List and to identify and report on any potential cases that the NFNPA Enforcement department should be made aware of.  |
|                          | NFNPA tree work applications will also be overseen by the committee and a response sent if necessary. Including trees protected by Tree Preservation Orders  |
|                          | The clerk or assistant clerk will submit the parish council's recommendations and comments to the relevant planning officers at NFNPA within the consultation period.  |

|  | Comments will fall within the five categories: -  |
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|  | Comments will fail within the five categories   |
|  | <ol> <li>We recommend PERMISSION, for the reasons listed<br/>below, but would accept the decision reached by the<br/>NFNPA Authority's Officers under their delegated<br/>powers.</li> <li>We recommend REFUSAL, for the reasons listed below,<br/>but would accept the decision reached by the NFNPA<br/>Authority's Officers under their delegated powers.</li> <li>We recommend PERMISSION, for the reasons listed<br/>below.</li> <li>We recommend REFUSAL, for the reasons listed below.</li> </ol>   |
|  | The planning committee will also consider any further requests<br>from planning officers and wherever possible attend the NFNPA<br>planning committee meeting if a parish application is due to be<br>decided on. The Committee is authorised to make written<br>representation or to elect a member of the Committee to attend<br>any hearing.<br>Site visits may also be required with prior approval of the<br>chairman with a minimum of two members of the planning<br>committee in attendance.  |
| Delegated<br>Powers to the<br>clerk or the<br>RFO/assistant<br>clerk | If a decision is required before the next planning committee<br>meeting the following process of delegated powers applies. The<br>planning applications shall be received by the clerk or the RFO<br>& Assistant Clerk who will provide details to the planning<br>committee. Where no queries arise by joint decision of<br>councillors of the planning committee, the clerk or the RFO &<br>Assistant Clerk shall be delegated to inform the Planning<br>Department within the time allocated of the decision of the<br>Council. All Councillors will report directly back to the clerk or<br>RFO & Assistant Clerk thereby avoiding discussion between<br>members. Where queries arise the Chairman may call for a site<br>meeting which may require an Extraordinary Meeting to decide<br>upon the application. |

Adopted: 19<sup>th</sup> July 2022 To be reviewed: July 2024 or soon if required