



I would like object to Planning application number
At the Development Control Committee to be held on

..... (date)

Briefly, I wish to make the following statement:

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Name:

Address:

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..... Postcode

E-mail:

Daytime Tel No:

Date:

Send Form/request to:

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Having your say at Development Control Committee Meetings



Development Control Meetings

The Council's Development Control Committee is responsible for determining planning applications. Its meetings are open to the public.

All meetings generally start at 7.30pm at the Civic Offices, Central Milton Keynes.

The Committee has allocated 30 minutes at the start of each meeting for public participation.

How can I have my say?

You may not request to speak in favour of a planning application. If you wish to speak against a planning application, you must make this request in writing to the Head of Democratic Services at the Civic Offices, 1 Saxon Gate East, Central Milton Keynes 2 days before the meeting (this is generally by 10.00am on a Monday as meetings are usually held on a Wednesday) before the meeting at which the application is to be considered, briefly outlining what you want to say. You may use the slip overleaf.

Any affected parties, which will include the applicant or his/her agent, will be contacted and asked if they wish to exercise a right of reply at the meeting.

What happens at the meeting?

You will have 4 minutes to make your statement to the Committee, after which the applicant or his/her agent may exercise a right of reply.

When the Committee has heard all

representations, it will consider the planning application which will be preceded by an officer report. The Committee will then make its decision based upon all the evidence it has heard.

What if a number of us wish to object to an application ?

If a number of people wish to object to a planning application, you may present a deputation which should be signed by 20 residents of the Borough outlining the nature of your objection.

A deputation must be submitted to the Head of Democratic Services at the Civic Offices 7 clear working days before the meeting, which does not include the day of receipt or the day of the meeting. Any affected party (the applicant or his/her agent) will be asked if they wish to exercise a right of reply and both speeches should last no longer than 4 minutes. (See the Council's leaflet on Deputations)

Questions

You may ask a question at a meeting, but it should not relate to any planning application, rather it should relate to a matter of Council policy and practice and something for which the Committee is responsible.

Your question should not concern your individual affairs or those of another person.

You will be given the opportunity to ask your question at the meeting if you give notice by 15 minutes before the start of the meeting. It may

be answered orally by one of the Councillors, or referred to an officer to respond if this is appropriate. Where it is not possible to give a reply at the meeting, you will be sent a written reply as soon as possible.

Once you have received your reply, you may ask one supplementary question.

Questions will be answered on a first come first served basis and only those which can be accommodated in the 30 minute allocation for public participation will be answered at the meeting.

Any remaining questions will be answered in writing. (see the Council's leaflet on Questions).

Speaking on matters other than planning applications

You may also request to speak on matters included on agenda which are not dealing with specific planning applications. The Chair will ask if anyone present wishes the Committee to hear their views on a particular report, when the Committee gets to that item on the agenda. You are limited to speaking on no more than two reports at any one meeting.

Want to know more?

If you would like to know more about the Council's meetings or how you can participate in them, please ring the Committee Section on (01908) 252567 or by e-mail to meetings@milton-keynes.gov.uk

Comments on how helpful this leaflet is would also be helpful.