

<b><u>MEETING</u></b>
<b>PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE</b>
<b><u>DATE AND TIME</u></b>
<b>THURSDAY 14TH JUNE, 2012</b>
<b>AT 7.00 PM</b>
<b><u>VENUE</u></b>
<b>HENDON TOWN HALL, THE BURROUGHS, NW4 4BG</b>

Dear Councillors,

Please find enclosed additional papers relating to the following item for the above mentioned meeting.

Item No	Title of Report	Pages
4.	<p><b>PUBLIC QUESTION TIME (IF ANY)</b></p> <p>The time allowed for questions shall be limited to 30 minutes or a maximum of 20 questions, whichever occurs first.</p> <p>Any questions not answered at the meeting will be responded to in writing within 10 working days.</p> <p>The questioner at the meeting may ask one supplementary question to the original question, which will be answered without discussion.</p>	1 - 2

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Public Questions Relating to Agenda Item 7  
Revisions to Delegated Powers

AGENDA ITEM 4

<b>Mr Dix</b>	
<b><u>Question 1</u></b> What is the percentage of applications where the planning committee members vote against officers recommendations at planning committee meetings?	<b><u>Response</u></b> Two hundred and eighty eight (288) planning applications have been presented to Planning Committees in the last twelve months. The Committees refused planning permission for thirty (30) of those applications
<b><u>Questions 2</u></b> If the threshold for objections is raised to five will officers, as a quid pro quo, widen the number of householders consulted as part of the planning application consultation process?	<b><u>Response</u></b> The current extent of consultation carried out for proposed householder developments are; neighbours adjoining the site (including neighbouring properties at the rear) and neighbouring property directly opposite if the proposed development fronts a road. This level of consultation exceeds the statutory minimum and it is not considered necessary to extend this any further.
<b><u>Questions 3</u></b> Is this recommendation about democracy or saving money and do Councillors think that this move accurately reflects the council's stated objective to become "a truly citizen-centric council"?	<b><u>Response</u></b> The recommendation reflects a considered strategy to improve decision making, committee processes and customer responsiveness.

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