

PLANNING SERVICE & PARISHES ACCORD

NATIONAL PARK AUTHORITY

This document outlines our commitment to Parishes from the Planning Service, and also what the Planning Service would like in return from Parishes.

The Planning Service will:

- Allow 28 days for Parish responses to planning application consultations.
- Whenever possible allow eight weeks for Parish consultation responses on matters other than planning applications.
- Consult the Parish on amendments to a planning application when these are considered to be substantial and warrant further public consultation.
- In the event of an application being determined contrary to the recommendations of the Parish representations, attach a copy of the Planning Officer's report to the copy of the Decision Notice sent to that Parish Council/Meeting.
- Endeavour to use electronic means of communication and access to information whenever possible.
- Provide planning information/articles to Parishes through 'Parish Speak', with updates between editions from the Service or the Chair of Planning.
- Provide planning training events to Parish representatives by arrangement with the Peak Park Parishes Forum.
- Respond to requests from Parishes or groups of Parishes to provide speakers on general planning and enforcement issues.

Parishes will:

- Respond to planning application consultations within the 28 days allowed by the Authority and endeavour to reply within the national minimum deadline of 21 days.
- Ensure that consultation responses give reasons based on material planning considerations for the Parish view.
- Inform the Planning Service of possible breaches of planning.
- Endeavour to use electronic means of communication whenever possible.
- Notify the Authority of changes in Parish Clerk and contact address and other details.

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