



Appendix 1(ii)(c)



NEW ROMNEY TOWN COUNCIL

PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE **POLICY STATEMENT AND TERMS OF REFERENCE**

(i) **Core Functions**

To be delegated by the Town Council - except whereby it is deemed by the Clerk in consultation with the Chairman of the Committee that the Full Council be first consulted via the ratification process - the authority (by resolution of the Committee) to:

- (a) Consider the Planning and / or Licensing Applications submitted to the Folkestone & Hythe District Council or any other appropriate authority and to decide upon the observations to be submitted to that Council or authority.
- (b) Consider and make recommendations or observations upon any plans submitted by County, District, or any other Authority, which might affect this Council's area and those adjoining.
- (c) Consider Planning and / or Licensing Appeals and to inform the Town Clerk accordingly.
- (d) Carry out such other duties and functions relating to Planning and Licensing that may be conferred upon it by the Town Council from time to time.
- (e) Request the removal of powers delegated to an officer of the Planning Authority on any application as deemed necessary.
- (f) Send a copy of the Committee's observations, as a matter of courtesy, to the Local Parish/Town Council concerned when planning and / or licensing applications are submitted to the Committee for consultation purposes.
- (g) Speak publicly at Planning & Licensing Committee meetings in support of refusal or approval of particular Planning or Licensing Applications as directed by the Planning Committee or Town Council.
- (h) Respond to consultations relating to planning, licensing, environmental or highways matters.
- (i) Take any such action as may be deemed appropriate relating to planning, licensing, environmental or highways matters – except in such case as such action would be likely to impact financially on the Council budget and / or reserves
- (j) Consider requests for areas and single properties to be designated Conservation Areas and/or Listed Buildings and to make recommendations accordingly.
- (k) Apply for Tree Preservation Orders or the retention of trees of significance where deemed necessary or desirable.

- (l) Ensure that, as appropriate, due priority is given to the provision of recreation areas within areas of development and that local healthcare needs are duly highlighted when submitting planning observations.
- (m) Give support for the provision of small industrial units in designated industrial areas which will offer employment to local residents.
- (n) Consider environmental matters that may be placed before the Committee and take any such action as may be deemed appropriate – except in such case as such action would be likely to impact financially on the Council budget and / or reserves.