COLLINGHAM Parish Council

DEALING WITH PLANNING APPLICATIONS

This page gives a brief guide to how planning applications are dealt with and Collingham Parish Council's role in the process. There is more information on Newark and Sherwood District Council's (N&SDC) website. http://www.newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk/planningapplications/

N&SDC is the planning authority for the Collingham area and is the only body that can make decisions on planning applications. Collingham Parish Council is entitled to comment on planning applications but cannot make a decision on them.

Collingham Parish Council receives copy of every planning application that affects the Parish. Every planning application is considered a meeting of the Planning Committee. Meetings of the Planning Committee are always advertised and members of the public are welcome to attend. There is a period before the start of the meeting where members of the public, including those supporting or opposing a planning application can make statements. Councillors will then discuss and vote on the comments to be made by the Parish Council to N&SDC Planning Department.

The Parish Council sends its comments to N&SDC. Members of the public can also send their own comments to N&SDC either by post or email using an online form.

If you send a comment to N&SDC it would help if you could forward to copy to the Parish Council as N&SDC does not routinely forward comments to us.

A decision will then be made on the application. 90% of decisions are made by an officer of N&SDC, 10% are decided by a committee of N&SDC Councillors, usually because an N&SDC Councillor has asked for the application to be referred to a committee.

There is no guarantee that any decision will be in line with Collingham Parish Council's comments.

If permission is refused or is granted subject to conditions, the applicant may appeal to the Planning Inspectorate (an independent body). However, neither Collingham Parish Council nor anyone else opposed to a planning application can appeal if planning permission is granted.

N&SDC is also responsible for enforcement action, for example where development has taken place without planning permission. The Parish Council is not routinely notified of enforcement action and it is not invited to comment on such action.

Other related items:

- National Planning Policy Forum (PPF)
- List of reasons for not supporting a planning application
- Planning Explained
- How I respond to planning applications an 8 step guide
- Core Strategy
- Collingham Conservation Area Appraisal
- Map of Collingham Conservation Area
- N&SDC Wind Energy Supplementary Planning Document