Arrangements for Public Speaking

SPEAKING IS STRICTLY AT THE DISCRETION OF THE CHAIR.

ANYONE WISHING TO SPEAK AT THIS MEETING MUST REGISTER BY EMAILING <u>christine phillips@sandwell.gov.uk</u> by 5pm pm Friday 13th December.

The Chair has indicated that applicant and objector will both be allowed up to **20 minutes** each to address the Committee.

The time may be used by one individual speaking on behalf of each party or shared amongst multiple speakers. For large groups you are advised to elect a spokesperson to speak on your behalf.

Once the 20 minutes have been used, neither the applicant or the objector/s will be allowed to speak again unless asked a direct question or invited to speak by the Chair.

The Chair may also invite ward representatives to address the Committee.

If you have not registered by the deadline you will not be allowed to speak.

The procedure that will be followed at the meeting is set out below.

Disorderly conduct will result in removal from the meeting.

Planning Committee Meeting Procedure

- 1. Objectors, or a representative of a group of objectors, may speak, for up to 20 minutes.
- 2. Applicant/applicant's representative may speak, for up to 20 minutes.
- 3. Ward representatives may speak for up to 20 minutes.
- 4. Members of the Committee may ask questions of any persons present in connection with the application being considered.
- 5. The Chair will ask for a motion, which must be seconded, in order to begin the debate.

Objectors and applicants will not be permitted to speak again once the debate has commenced, unless invited to by the Chair.

6. Upon the conclusion of the debate, the Committee will take a vote, with a show of hands, to determine the application.

Chair to announce the decision and meeting closed.