

## 2.6 Planning and Environmental Protection Committee

2.6.1 It is advised that Members undertake relevant training within the past year in order to hold a seat on this committee.

### 2.6.2 Terms of reference

2.6.2.1 To exercise the functions of the Council as listed in Schedule 2.6.7, where these are not delegated to officers as listed at section 2.6.6.

2.6.2.2 In respect of functions listed in Schedule 2.6.7, to determine an application, or to decide upon or vary appropriate conditions, limitations, terms or other restrictions upon any approval, consent, licence, permission or registration granted, or discontinuance or revocation order in cases where:

- (a) the officer with delegated authority to deal with the matter refers it to the Committee for determination;
- (b) an application has been referred to the Committee by a Member or a Parish Council from the weekly press list on proper planning grounds, or by a consultee on the delegation confirmation list and the referrers views are contradictory to the officer recommendation (this does not apply to any prior notification type application). All referrals by a Member or a Parish Council must also provide a reason for the referral based on relevant material planning grounds. Referrals made without an accompanying reason will not be valid. Members who have made a referral to the Committee are expected to attend the Committee meeting at which the matter is discussed, where possible, or submit a written supporting statement.”
- (c) the officer’s proposed course of action falls outside the Council’s agreed policies and criteria;
- (d) any planning application recommended for approval does not accord in a material way with the Development Plan;
- (e) a planning application relates to an exceptionally large scale development, or a major development which does not accord with the Development Plan;
- (f) a proposed Tree Preservation Order has unresolved objections to it.

None of (a) – (f) above shall prevent an officer determining one of these matters in cases of urgency, provided that the action taken is reported to the next Committee meeting.

2.6.2.3 In respect of issues governed by the list of functions at Schedule 2.6.6, to determine whether, and in what manner, to enforce any failure to comply with an approval, consent, licence, permission or registration granted by the Council in cases where:

- (a) the officer with delegated authority to deal with the matter refers it to the Committee for determination;
- (b) a member refers it to the Committee on proper planning grounds;
- (c) the issue falls outside the Council's agreed policies and criteria;

None of (a) – (c) above shall prevent an officer taking enforcement action in cases of urgency which warrant the service of a Stop Notice and/or injunction, subject to the consent of the Director of Governance provided that the action taken is reported to the next Committee meeting.

2.6.2.4 To receive regular progress reports on all current planning enforcement matters, and lists of planning decisions taken by officers under delegated powers.

2.6.2.5 To be consulted by, and comment on, the Executive's draft proposals for Development Plan Documents (DPDs), Supplementary Planning Documents (SPDs), and the Statement of Community Involvement (SCI) at each formal stage in preparation.

2.6.2.6 To assess and review the performance of the services which fall within the terms of reference of the Committee.

2.6.2.7 To transfer enforcement functions to another enforcement authority under Smoke-free (Premises and Enforcement) Regulations 2006.

### **2.6.3 Call in of Decisions Made by the Committee**

2.6.3.1 Applications determined by the Planning and Environmental Protection Committee can be called in to the Appeals and Planning Review Committee (*see Appeals and Planning Review Committee Terms of Reference for procedure para. 2.1*).

### **2.6.4 Planning Call-In Procedure**

- 2.6.4.1 This paragraph only applies to a determination of planning application decisions made by the Planning and Environmental Protection Committee.
- 2.6.4.2 If the Planning and Environmental Protection Committee makes a determination as set out in paragraph 2.6.3.1 above, 30% of the Members present at the meeting where the resolution was passed can ask the Chief Executive that it be reported to a special meeting of the Appeals and Planning Review Committee.
- 2.6.4.3 The right under the paragraph above must be carried out within two working days of the end of the meeting by the submission of a planning call-in notice.
- 2.6.4.4 Signatories of a planning call-in notice or their group representatives can withdraw a planning call-in notice by notifying the Chief Executive in writing. If the planning call-in notice has been withdrawn, the original Committee decision takes effect.
- 2.6.4.5 The request to call-in a decision must be made in writing or electronically, using the agreed form. The form must:
- (a) set out the planning application decision that the Members wish to call in;
  - (b) give the reasons why the Appeals and Planning Review Committee reconsider the decision. These must include either the incorrect application of procedure during the application process, or the relevant material planning considerations not being taken into account;
  - (c) be signed and dated by 30% of the Members present at the meeting where the resolution was passed.
- 2.6.4.6 Determination of whether a request to call-in a decision is valid or not, in accordance with the above criteria, will be determined by the Executive Director Place and Economy, in conjunction with the Monitoring Officer.
- 2.6.4.7 The procedure of an Appeals and Planning Review Committee will follow the same format as a Planning and Environmental Protection Committee, including the Speaking Scheme. An application that is called-in will be reconsidered by the Appeals and Planning Review Committee in its entirety.

## 2.6.5 **Planning Speaking Scheme as Agreed by the Committee**

2.6.5.1 Members of the public can speak at meetings of the Planning and Environmental Protection Committee which is considering any planning application (including those referred to the Appeals and Planning Review Committee).

(a) Any Ward Councillor, Parish Council (or other groups defined in local planning policy as operating in a manner similar to a Parish Council) representative or member of the public who wish to address the Committee on any planning application or any consultation item referred from another local authority, must register with the Chief Executive by 12 noon Friday before the meeting.

(b) The following procedure will apply for each item.

- (i) Officers will introduce the item;
- (ii) Representations by Ward Councillors and the Parish Council representative;
- (iii) Members questions to the Ward Councillors and Parish Council representative;
- (iv) Objectors' representations;
- (v) Members' questions to objectors;
- (vi) Representations by the applicant, agent and any supporters;
- (vii) Members' questions to the applicant, agent and any supporters;
- (viii) Officers' comments;
- (ix) Members will debate the application and get advice from officers where appropriate;
- (x) Members will reach a decision.

2.6.5.2 The total time allowed for speeches from each of the following groups of speakers will not be more than five minutes unless the Committee decide on the day of the meeting to extend the time allowed due to unusual or exceptional circumstances:-

- (a) Objectors;
- (b) Applicant or agent and their supporters.

2.6.5.3 If more than one objector or supporter wants to speak, the Chairman may ask the supporters and objectors to appoint a spokesperson to represent their views.

The total time allowed for speeches from Ward Councillors and Parish Council representatives will not be more than ten minutes in total unless the Committee decide on the day of the meeting to extend the time allowed due to unusual or exceptional circumstances.

MPs will be permitted to address the Committee when they have been asked to represent their constituents. Proof of this fact should be submitted to the Committee. The total time allowed for speeches for MPs will not be more than five minutes unless the Committee decide on the day of the meeting to extend the time allowed due to unusual or exceptional circumstances.

2.6.5.4 The Chairman may:

- (a) Suspend the public's right to speak if he or she considers it necessary to maintain order at the meeting: or
- (b) Vary the order of representations if he or she feels that it is convenient and will assist the Committee in dealing with the matter provided it will not cause any prejudice to the parties concerned.

In lieu of speaking, Ward Councillors, Parish Council representatives and members of the public may submit representations in writing for consideration by the Committee. Written representations will be reported to the Committee in an update report and circulated on the day of the meeting.

If a Ward Councillor is unable to attend the Committee and submits representations in writing such representations may be read out at the Committee provided that the written representations are no more than 300 words and provided that there is sufficient time following speeches from Ward Councillors present at the Committee (i.e. within the 10 minute time allowed for speeches from Ward Councillors and Parish Council Representatives).

**2.6.6 Delegations to officers**

2.6.6.1 The Executive Director Place and Economy is authorised to deal with the following matters after consultation with the Chairman of the Committee and notification to (i) the Vice-Chairman, (ii) the representatives of the other political groups on the Committee of which the Chairman and Vice-Chairman are not members, (iii) relevant ward councillors, and no relevant planning objection being raised by them within 48 hours:

- (a) All planning applications not delegated to Officers and not reserved to the Committee;
- (b) the designation, revocation, variation and modification of a Tree Preservation Order which has been opposed;
- (c) Hazardous Substances Consents;

- (d) Applications made by the Council under Regulation 3 of the Town and Country Planning General Regulations 1992 in cases which the Executive Director Place and Economy –would be authorised to determine if they were private applications;
- (e) All enforcement matters, where a breach reported by a member of the public is recommended for “no further action” and where consideration is not referred to the Committee.

If an objection is received the application will be determined by the Committee.

2.6.6.2 The Executive Director Place and Economy is authorised to determine all planning applications, applications to carry out work on Protected Trees, and applications for advertisement consent, listed building consent and conservation area consent, except an application:

- (a) contrary to the provisions of an approved or draft Development Plan and which is recommended for approval;
- (b) contrary to approved Council policies, standards or guidance, and which is recommended for approval;
- (c) which raises an issue of significance which is not covered by specific Council policies, standards or guidance
- (d) which has been referred to the Committee by a Member or a Parish Council from the weekly press list within 28 days, or by a consultee on the delegation confirmation list and the referrers views are contradictory to the officer recommendation;
- (e) which, in the opinion of the Head of Planning, Transport and Engineering Services is potentially controversial, likely to be of significant public interest or would have a significant impact on the environment;
- (f) known to be submitted by or on behalf of a Councillor, Director or Head of Service of the authority (or their spouse/partner);
- (g) which the Executive Director Place and Economy considers should be presented to the Planning and Environmental Protection Committee for determination.

2.6.6.3 The Executive Director Place and Economy is authorised to deal with the following matters subject to there being no prior referral by a Member or a Parish Council to the Planning and Environmental Protection Committee as set out in its terms of reference;

**Note:** From time to time the Executive Director Place and Economy may authorise in writing other competent officers of the authority to exercise specific delegated functions. The Executive Director Place and Economy may also refer any of the

matters listed below to the Planning and Environmental Protection Committee for determination.

- (a) the details of all Planning Obligations,
- (b) all prior notification applications relating to agricultural, telecommunication, changes of use and householder extensions;
- (c) all planning and enforcement matters relating to Conservation (including emergency\* Article 4 Directions) Hedgerows and Tree Preservation Orders and proposed Emergency\* Tree Preservation Orders which includes designation, revocation, variation, modification, and confirmation, except;
  - (i) the designation or modification of a Conservation Area (Cabinet Member for Growth, Planning, Housing and Economic Development)
  - (ii) any which the Executive Director Place and Economy considers should be determined by the Planning and Environmental Protection Committee.

**NB** \*Emergency – when there is an immediate threat that a building or tree is going to be felled/demolished or pruned/modified in ways that would have a significant impact on the character or amenity of an area.

- (d) all enforcement matters including instructing the Director of Governance to consider the initiations of prosecutions in accordance with the Council's enforcement procedures except where;
  - (i) a significant breach reported by a member of the public or where there is significant public interest in the matter, is recommended for no further action;
  - (ii) the Executive Director Place and Economy considers a breach should be reported to the Planning and Environmental Protection Committee for decision;
- (e) Applications for the discharge or modification of covenants in agreements under Section 106 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990;

**NB The agreement of the Director of Governance shall be required to authorise the issue of an Enforcement Notice, Breach of Condition Notice, Section 215 Notice, Notices under Section 3 of the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Area) 1990. The Director of Governance shall be responsible for the initiation of any criminal or civil proceedings he considers necessary including the seeking of an injunction. He shall be responsible for arranging the discharge of all legal work and advice arising from all enforcement action including ensuring that the Council is properly represented in Court.**

- (f) to respond to consultations from:

- (i) government bodies, other authorities or from other agencies on planning, footpath or similar matters;
  - (ii) Area Traffic Commissioners with observations on applications for goods vehicle licences except where the Head of Development and Construction is of the opinion that the matter should be considered by the Committee.
- (g) matters relating to overhead power lines and applications under prior approval of telecommunications procedures;
- (h) Other powers:
- (i) determination and issue of Certificates of Alternative Development;
  - (ii) determination and issue of certificates of Lawful Use or Development following consultation with the Director of Governance as to the adequacy of the evidence in all cases where the evidence is either doubtful or complex;
  - (iii) to exercise all the relevant functions listed in schedule 2.6.5 in respect of public unmetalled footpaths, bridleways and byways open to all traffic;
  - (iv) authority to proceed with the stopping up of a public right of way required in connection with development where planning permission has been granted and appropriate publicity has been undertaken including instructing the Director of Governance to make the appropriate Order under the Town and Country Planning Act 1990;
  - (v) authority to instruct the Director of Governance to make orders under Sections 257 or 258 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 in respect of the creation, diversion and/or extinguishment of public rights of way with any orders being confirmed where there are no unresolved objections;
  - (vi) to determine, subject to no outstanding objections, applications for Definitive Map Modification Orders under the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981. To publish Modification Orders to the Definitive Map and Statement, and to authorise the creation, extinguishment and diversion orders for public footpaths, bridleways and byways open to all traffic under the Highways Act 1980 and Town and Country Planning Act 1990 and to instruct the Director of Governance to make such Orders. (NB - the Executive Director Place and Economy is also authorised to modify rights of way, at paragraph 2.6.4.6 (f) below);
  - (vii) the service of notices under Section 54 of the Planning (Listed Building and Conservation Areas) Act 1990 requiring urgent work to preserve unoccupied listed buildings;
  - (viii) the giving of screening and scoping opinions under the Town & Country Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment)(England & Wales) Regulations 1999.



- (ix) the making of Listed Building and conservation grants within approved budget;
- (x) identifying applications representing departures from the Development Plan;
- (xi) to maintain Public Registers under the legislation for which s/he is responsible, including registers of rights of way;
- (xii) to act as Appointing Officer under Section 10(8) of the Party Wall etc. Act 1996.
- (xiii) the right to enter land under the legislation governing the functions for which s/he is responsible;
- (xiv) applications made under the Licensing Act 2003 and the making of any representations to the courts;
- (xv) the discharge of conditions imposed on planning and related permissions, where those conditions have been complied with;
- (xvi) to determine applications to develop land without compliance with conditions previously attached;
- (xvii) to make determinations, give approvals and agree certain other matters relating to the exercise of permitted development rights;
- (xviii) to grant permission for provision, etc of services, amenities, recreation and refreshment facilities on highway, and related powers;
- (xix) to publish notice in respect of proposal to grant permission under section 115E of the Highways Act 1980;
- (xx) to authorise stopping up or diversion of highway;
- (xxi) relating to complaints about high hedges;
- (xxii) to enforce offences relating to the display of no-smoking signs;
- (xxiii) to enforce offences relating to smoking in smoke-free places;
- (xxiv) to enforce offence of failing to prevent smoking in smoke-free places.

2.6.6.4 The Executive Director Place and Economy is authorised to determine:

- (a) applications under Prior Approval of Telecommunications Procedures; and
- (b) those under delegation 2.6.6.3 (b) and 2.6.6.3 (f);

in consultation with the Chairman or, if not available or inappropriate, the Vice Chairman of the Committee, where a Member or a Parish Council has exercised

their power to refer an application to the Committee but there is no scheduled meeting of the Committee within the time period for response.

#### 2.6.6.5 Authorised Signatories

- (a) Planning Decision or Building Control Notices determined by Committee - the Executive Director Place and Economy
- (b) Notices and directions following determination by Committee, under Article 4 of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 1995 or any Order revoking or re-enacting that Order with or without modification - the Executive Director Place and Economy

#### 2.6.6.6 The Executive Director Place and Economy is authorised:

- (a) to issue licences for hoardings and scaffolding within the highway;
- (b) to issue licences for the placing of skips within the highway;
- (c) to exercise the non-executive powers and duties of the Council, acting on its behalf as the local highway authority, traffic authority, transport authority, parking authority and technical approval authority, including the serving of Notices as contained in the Highways Act 1980
- (d) to create, extinguish and divert footpaths under the Highways Act 1980;
- (e) to enter land under the legislation governing the functions for which s/he is responsible;
- (f) to modify rights of way, in line with para 2.6.4.6 (d) above.

#### 2.6.6.7 The Executive Director Place and Economy is authorised:

- (a) To undertake non-executive actions under the Environmental Protection Act 1990 in relation to pollution and statutory nuisance (these are set out in Schedule 2.6.6;
- (b) To take appropriate action and issue all notices (including notices of entry) under the following legislation: Control of Pollution Act 1974; Noise and Statutory Nuisance Act 1993.

#### 2.6.6.8 The **Executive Director Place and Economy** is authorised to serve notices requiring information in relation to ownership of land and property under Section 16 of the Local government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976.

- 2.6.6.9 The Executive Director: Place and Economy Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Councils is authorised to issue licences and ensure compliance with statutes relating to residential caravan sites, touring caravans and campsites, as listed in Schedule 2.6.5 (Section 3 Caravan Sites Control and Development Act 1960 and Section 269 Public Health Act 1936).
- 2.6.6.10 The Executive Director Place and Economy is authorised to set up and establish any Joint Planning and Environmental Protection Committee and to negotiate and determine the Terms of Reference of such Joint Planning and Environmental Protection Committees with neighbouring councils and local planning authorities, following consultation with the Director of Governance and Chairman of the Planning and Environmental Protection Committee.
- 2.6.6.11 The Executive Director Place and Economy is authorised to prepare and publish a Brownfield Land Register under The Town and Country Planning (Brownfield Land Register) Regulations 2017, except in those instances where a newly published Register would add or delete land from Part 2 of that Register.
- 2.6.6.12 The Executive Director Place and Economy is authorised to undertake all matters relating to Neighbourhood Planning, Neighbourhood Development Orders and Neighbourhood Plans, except for the ‘making’ (adoption) of such Orders and Plans. This authorisation extends to, but is not necessary limited by, the following:
- (a) The designation of neighbourhood areas and neighbourhood forums
  - (b) Providing comments on behalf of the Council to consultations on draft plans or orders
  - (c) The appointment of an independent examiner for neighbourhood plans or orders
  - (d) Making decisions on behalf of the Council on whether a plan meets the basic conditions and should proceed to referendum, following the receipt of a report from the independent examiner, and publishing this decision
  - (e) Making decisions on the revocation, de-designation, or amendment to any neighbourhood area, forum, plan or order.

## 2.6.7 Schedule of relevant functions

### 2.6.7.1 Town and country planning and development control functions

Determination of applications for planning permission	Sections 70(1)(a) and (b) and 72 Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (c.8)
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Granting planning permission for development already carried out	Section 73A Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (ref. Schedule 7 para 8 Planning and Compensation Act 1991 (c.34).
Power to determine applications to develop land without compliance with conditions previously attached	Section 73 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990
Declining to determine applications for planning permission	Section 70A Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (ref. Section 17 Planning and Compensation Act 1991)
Duties associated with determining planning applications	Sections 69, 76 and 92 Town and Country Planning Act 1990,  Articles 8, 10 – 13, 15 – 22 and 25 – 26 Town and Country Planning (General Development Procedure) Order 1995 (SI 1995/419) and directions made thereunder
Determination of applications for planning permission by the local authority or jointly with another person	Section 316 Town and Country Planning Act 1990,  Town and Country Planning General regulations 1992 (SI 1992/1492) (ref. Section 20 Planning and Compensation Act 1991 and SIs 1992/1982 and 1998/2800)
Entering into agreements regulating development or use of land	Section 106 Town and Country Planning Act 1990
Issuing certificates of existing or proposed lawful use or development	Sections 191(4) and 192(2) Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (ref. Section 10 Planning and Compensation Act 1991)
Serving completion notices	Section 94(2) Town and Country Planning Act 1990
Granting consent for the display of advertisements	Section 220 Town and Country Planning Act 1990,  Town and Country Planning (Control of Adverts) Regulations 1992 (SI 1992/666)
Authorising entry onto land	Section 196A Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (ref. Section 11 Planning and Compensation Act 1991, and Sections 196A to C Town and Country Planning Act 1990)
Requiring a use of land to discontinue	Section 102 Town and Country Planning Act 1990

Revocation/amendment of Planning Permission	Section 97 Town and Country Planning Act 1990
Power to make determinations, give approvals and agree certain other matters relating to the exercise of permitted development rights	Parts 6, 7, 11, 17, 19,20, 21 to 24, 26,30 and 31 of Schedule 2 to the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 1995
Power to issue a temporary stop notice	Section 171E of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990
Duties relating to applications for listed building consent and conservation area consent	Paragraph 2(6)(a) of Schedule 2 to the Planning and Compensation Act 1991, Paragraph 9(6) of Schedule 13 to the Environment Act 1995 and paragraph 6(5) of Schedule 14 to that Act.
Serving planning contravention, breach of condition or stop notices	Sections 171C, 187A and 183(1) Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (ref. Sections 1,2 and 9 Planning and Compensation Act 1991)
Issuing enforcement notices	Section 172 Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (ref. Section 5 Planning and Compensation Act 1991)
Applying for injunctions restraining a breach of planning control	Section 187B Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (ref. Section 3 Planning and Compensation Act 1991)
Determining applications for hazardous substances consent, and related powers	Sections 9(1) and 10 Planning (Hazardous Substances) Act 1990 (c.10)
Duty to determine conditions which may apply to old mining permissions, relevant planning permissions relating to dormant sites or active phase I or II sites, or mineral permissions relating to mining sites	Schedule 2 Para 2(6)(a) Planning and Compensation Act 1991,  Schedule 13 Para 9(6) and Schedule 14 Para 6(5) Environment Act 1995 (c.25)
Requiring proper maintenance of land	Section 215(1) Town and Country Planning Act 1990
Determining applications for listed building consent, and related powers	Sections 16(1) and (2), 17, 27(2) and 33(1) Planning (Listed Buildings and Buildings in Conservation Areas) Act 1990 (c.9)

Determining applications for conservation area consent	Sections 16(1) and 74(3) Planning (Listed Buildings and Buildings in Conservation Areas) Act 1990 (c.9) (ref. Town and Country Planning (Listed Buildings and Buildings in Conservation Areas) Regs 1990, SI 1990/1519)
Duties relating to applications for listed building and conservation area consent	Sections 13(1), 14(1) and 14(4) Planning (Listed Buildings and Buildings in Conservation Areas) Act 1990, Regs 3 – 6 and 13 Town and Country Planning (Listed Buildings and Buildings in Conservation Areas) Regulations 1990, Paras 8, 15 and 22 DoE Circular 14/97
Serving building preservation notices, and related powers	Sections 3(1) and 4(1) Planning (Listed Buildings and Buildings in Conservation Areas) Act 1990
Issuing enforcement notices in relation to demolition of unlisted buildings in conservation areas	Section 38 Planning (Listed Buildings and Buildings in Conservation Areas) Act 1990
Acquiring listed buildings in need of repair, and serving repairs notices	Sections 47 – 48 Planning (Listed Buildings and Buildings in Conservation Areas) Act 1990
Applying for injunctions in relation to listed buildings	Section 44A Planning (Listed Buildings and Buildings in Conservation Areas) Act 1990 (ref. Schedule 3 Para 7 Planning and Compensation Act 1991, c.34)
Executing urgent works	Section 54 Planning (Listed Buildings and Buildings in Conservation Areas) Act 1990
Determination of applications to designate a neighbourhood area (including whether the designated area should be a business area)	Sections 61G, 61H and 61I of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended by section 116 and Schedule 9 of the Localism Act 2011)
Designation of an organisation or body as a neighbourhood forum and withdrawal of an organisation or body's designation as a neighbourhood forum	Section 61F of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended by section 116 and Schedule 9 of the Localism Act 2011)
Duties associated with 'Registers of Land', including a Brownfield Land Register	Part 2 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 (local development), section 14A ('Register of Land'), and associated The Town and Country

	Planning (Brownfield Land Register) Regulations 2017.
Duties associated with Neighbourhood Planning, Neighbourhood Development Orders and Neighbourhood Plans, except for 'making' (or adoption) of such Plans and Orders	The Town and Country Planning Act 1990; and the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004

2.6.7.2 Miscellaneous functions

Obtaining information as to interests in land	Section 330 Town & Country Planning Act 1990 (c.8)
Obtaining particulars of persons interested in land	Section 16 Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 (c.57)

2.6.7.3 Tree and hedgerow related functions

Powers relating to the protection of important hedgerows	The Hedgerows Regulations 1997 (SI 1997/1160)
Powers relating to the preservation of trees	Sections 197 – 214D Town and Country Planning Act 1990, Trees Regulations 1999 (SI 1999/1892)
Powers relating to complaints about high hedges	Part 8 of the Anti-Social Behaviour Act 2003

2.6.7.4 Highway and rights of way related functions

Power to authorise stopping up or diversion of highway	Section 247 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990
Creating footpaths bridleways or restricted byways by agreement	Section 25 Highways Act 1980 (c.66)
Creating footpaths bridleways and restricted byways	Section 26 Highways Act 1980
Duty to keep a register of information with respect to maps, statements and declarations	Section 31A Highways Act 1980
Power to grant permission for provision, etc of services, amenities, recreation and refreshment facilities on highway, and related powers	Section 115E, 115F and 115K of the Highways Act 1980 and the Business and Planning Act 2020
Duty to publish notice in respect of proposal to grant permission under section 115E of the Highways Act 1980	Section 155G of the Highways Act 1980
Stopping up footpaths bridleways and restricted byways	Section 118 Highways Act 1980



Determining applications for public path extinguishments orders	Sections 118ZA and 118C(2) Highways Act 1980
Making rail crossing extinguishments orders	Section 118A Highways Act 1980
Making special extinguishments orders	Section 118B Highways Act 1980
Diverting footpaths bridleways and restricted byways	Section 119 Highways Act 1980
Making public path diversion orders	Sections 119ZA and 119C(4) Highways Act 1980
Making rail crossing diversion orders	Section 119A Highways Act 1980
Making special diversion orders	Section 119B Highways Act 1980
Requiring applicants for an order to enter into an agreement	119C(3) Highways Act 1980
Making an SSSI diversion order	Section 119D Highways Act 1980
Duty to keep a register with respect to applications under sections 118ZA, 118C, 119ZA and 119C Highways Act 1990	Section 121B Highways Act 1980
Declining to determine certain applications	Section 121C Highways Act 1980
Duty to assert and protect the rights of the public to use and enjoyment of public highways	Section 130 Highways Act 1980
Duty to serve notice of proposed action in relation to obstruction	Section 130A Highways Act 1980
Applying for variation of order under section 130B Highways Act 1990	Section 130B(7) Highways Act 1980
Authorising temporary disturbance of the surface of a footpath bridleway or restricted byway	Section 135 Highways Act 1980
Temporarily diverting a footpath bridleway or restricted byway	Section 135A Highways Act 1980
Functions relating to the making good of damage and removal of obstructions	Section 135B Highways Act 1980

Removal of obstructions from the Highway	Section 143 Highways Act 1980
Powers related to the removal of things so deposited on the highway as to be a nuisance	Section 149 Highways Act 1980
Extinguishing certain rights of way	Section 32 Acquisition of Land Act 1981 (c.67)
Duty to keep definitive map and statement under review	Section 53 Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 (c.69)
Including modifications in other orders	Section 53A Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981
Duty to keep register of prescribed information with respect to applications under section 53(5) Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981	Section 53B Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981
Preparing map and statement by way of consolidation of definitive map and statement	Section 57A Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981
Designating a footpath as a cycle track	Section 3 Cycle Tracks Act 1984 (c.38)
Extinguishing a public right of way over land acquired for clearance	Section 294 Housing Act 1981 (c.68)
Authorising stopping-up or diversion of a footpath or bridleway	Section 257 Town and Country Planning Act 1990
Extinguishing public rights of way over land held for planning purposes	Section 258 Town and Country Planning Act 1990
Entering into agreements with respect to means of access	Section 35 Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000 (c.37)
Providing access in the absence of agreement	Section 37 Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000
Allowing the deposit of a builder's skip on the highway	Section 139 Highways Act 1980 (c.66)
Licensing planting, retention and maintenance of trees, etc in part of the highway	Section 142 Highways Act 1980
Authorising erection of stiles etc on footpaths or bridleways	Section 147 Highways Act 1980
Licensing works in relation to buildings, etc which obstruct the highway	Section 169 Highways Act 1980

Consenting to temporary deposits or excavations in streets	Section 171 Highways Act 1980
Consenting to temporary deposits or excavations in streets	Section 171 Highways Act 1980
Dispensing with obligations to erect a hoarding or fence	Section 172 Highways Act 1980
Restricting the placing of rails, beams, etc over highways	Section 178 Highways Act 1980
Consenting to construction of cellars, etc under streets	Section 179 Highways Act 1980
Consenting to making of openings into cellars, etc under streets, and pavement lights and ventilators	Section 180 Highways Act 1980
Granting a street works license	Section 50 New Roads and Street Works Act 1991 (c.22)
Power to enforce offences and issue proceedings relating to unauthorised street works	Sections 54, 55, 57, 70, 74, 74A New Roads and Street Works Act 1991
Registering common land or town and village greens, except where this power is exercised solely to give effect to:  - exchange of land effected by order under Section 19(3), or Para 6(4) Schedule 3, Acquisition of Land Act 1981 (c.67), or  - order under Section 147 Enclosure Act 1845 (c.8 & 9 Vict. c. 118)	Regulation 6 Commons Registration (New Land) Regulations 1969 (SI 1969/1843)
Registering variation in rights of common	Regulation 29 Commons Registration (General) Regulations 1966 (SI 1966/1471, amended by SI 1968/658)

#### 2.6.7.5 Environmental protection and control functions

Any functions relating to contaminated land	Part IIA of the Environmental Protection Act 1990 (c.43) and subordinate legislation under that Part
Service of an abatement notice in respect of statutory nuisance	Section 80(1) of the Environmental Protection Act 1990

Discharge of any function relating to the control of pollution or the management of air quality	Pollution Prevention & Control Act 1999 (c.24), Part IV of the Environment Act 1995 (c.25),
	Part I of the Environmental Protection Act 1990 (c.43), Clean Air Act 1993 (c.11)
The passing of a resolution that Schedule 2 to the Noise and Statutory Nuisance Act 1993 should apply in the authority's area	Section 8 Noise and Statutory Nuisance Act 1993 (c.40)
Inspection of the authority's area to detect any statutory nuisance	Section 79 Environmental Protection Act 1990
Investigation of any complaint as to the existence of a statutory nuisance	Section 79 Environmental Protection Act 1990
Consenting to the operation of a loudspeaker	Schedule 2 Noise and Statutory Nuisance Act 1993 (c.40)
Issuing 'site licences' authorising the use of land as a caravan site	Section 3(3) Caravan Sites Control and Development Act 1960 (c.62)
Issuing licences for use of moveable dwellings as camping sites	Section 269(1) Public Health Act 1936 (c.49)
Making closing orders with respect to take-away food shops	Section 4 Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982 (c.30)
Any function regarding complaints of noise at night	Noise Act 1996

2.6.7.6 Health

Power to enforce offences relating to the display of no-smoking signs	Section 6(5) of the Health Act 2006
Power to enforce offences relating to smoking in smoke-free places	Section 7(4) of the Health Act 2006
Power to enforce offence of failing to prevent smoking in smoke-free places	Section 8(4) of the Health Act 2006
Power to transfer enforcement functions to another enforcement authority	Smoke-free (Premises and Enforcement) Regulations 2006