

PLANNING COMMITTEE POLICY

1. To consider all planning applications submitted to Andover Town Council by Test Valley Borough Council and Hampshire County Councils and comment thereon within the prescribed time limits and make observations that accord with the adopted Local Plans.
2. To monitor the future social, community and cultural implications of residential developments.
3. To consider the implications of local and strategic plans and comment thereon within the prescribed time limits.
4. To play an active role in representations to Test Valley Borough Council regarding planning and development matters and encourage consultation with the Planning Authority and developers where appropriate.
5. To monitor the availability of low cost housing sites and support the Planning Authority in this regard. Mixed and shared ownership developments are considered appropriate.
6. To encourage the implementation of the Andover Town Centre Supplementary Planning Design Guidance and the Conservation Area document.
7. Approved site visits to be undertaken by local ward Members where possible.
8. Emphasis should be placed upon minimising environmental/ecological impact.

The Town Council will endeavour to:

- (a) Lobby for the use of 'sustainable systems and technologies'.
 - (b) Consider the effect any development has on all residents of 'through routes' into town and measures to mitigate crime and antisocial behaviour.
 - (c) Consider the development effect on parking both residential and walk into town parking. In each case issues should be highlighted and addressed.
 - (d) Consider the impact regarding road congestion that an increase in Residential Housing may cause.
 - (e) Consider the impact of backland development proposals as this is no longer considered to be brown space.
 - (f) Lobby and enter into partnerships to encourage a potential 40% reduction in CO2 emissions by 2020.
9. The size and style of new commercial buildings shall be carefully monitored to ensure cohesion with the immediate environs.
 10. There shall be careful scrutiny of the expansion of commercial activity in or close to residential areas, e.g. noise levels and smell.
 11. The provision of litter bins, in the vicinity of "take-away" premises shall be encouraged, it being noted that such provision may be conditional upon the granting of permission. Such litter bins should be emptied by the respective shop keepers.

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12. The Council should acknowledge that with ever increasing residential developments the waterways, waste and domestic supply will reach capacity beyond any modifications and will make every effort to ensure, as far as practicable, that installation of surface water drainage facilities are made at development sites prior to the commencement of the construction of buildings.
13. Developers should be encouraged to include grey water systems, solar heating schemes and other green energy solutions within their design policies.

STATEMENT OF FACT Re. STREET NAMING

1. Test Valley Borough Council is the authority that undertakes street naming.
2. Andover Town Council is consulted regarding names suggested by developers and is invited to suggest names.
3. Currently there are no developments or streets in Andover without names.
4. Andover Town Council will maintain a list of names for when a development or street requires naming.
5. A name is put forward to Test Valley Borough Council and that Council makes the final decision.

POLICY : Internal Process for Andover Town Council

1. Anyone (or organisation) can suggest a name for consideration.
2. These names could be of people or anything relating directly to Andover.
3. The person (organisation) submitting a name should include full details about the suggested name.
4. Each suggestion will be considered on merit and if approved, be added to the Council's Approved List.
5. The Council will not include anyone on the Approved List who is still living.
6. When a development/road is identified, the Planning committee will look for a name with clear local connection or relevance after which a name will be selected from the Approved List.
7. If considered appropriate by the Planning Committee, the street name sign will include a plaque giving a brief resume of the person named.

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8. The name will then be submitted to Test Valley Borough Council.

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