

Planning Committee

8 Members on the Committee to include 5 Town Councillors plus 3 co-opted members. Only Town Council Members to vote.

Quorum 3 Town Council Members

To allow Members of the Public to attend and speak in line with Standing Orders.

Five Council members to sit on the Committee, to include at least one Councillor from each ward. (These Councillors cannot be Planning Board members at Amber Valley Borough Council).

To be chaired by a Belper Town Councillor.

To review planning applications and to draft comments, based upon material considerations for submission to Amber Valley Borough Council. All draft comments to be agreed by Full Council at the next appropriate Council meeting before submission to the Planning Authority.

To engage with developers where necessary, to advise on the contents of the Neighbourhood Plan, inviting them to refer to the Neighbourhood Plan and reflect its requirements in any subsequent planning application.

To maximise the use of the Neighbourhood Plan.

To appoint a Neighbourhood Plan Working Group to prepare reviews of the plan as required by regulation. The Working Group to consist of 3 members of the Planning Committee and to report to the Planning Committee.

To appoint Working Groups for any other matters within its existing terms of reference. To provide advice to local residents on matters relating to the contents of the Neighbourhood Plan.

All Planning Committee members to be aware of their responsibilities with regards to any bias or predetermination issues.

**A recommending committee – all decisions to be recommended to Full Council
Meets 11 times within a year**