How 'Planning Applications' reach Planning Committee at East Suffolk Council, as of 24 January 2024

Triggers as set out in Constitution » East Suffolk Council



1. The Planning Application is, in the opinion of the Head of Planning and Coastal Management or the Chairman/ Vice Chairman of the Planning Committee, of significant public interest; would have a significant impact on the environment; or should otherwise be referred to Members due to its significance in some other respect and this request has been made prior to an application being placed on the Agenda for a Referral Panel;

2. The applicant or landowner is East Suffolk Council;

- 3. The applicant, or agent, is an East Suffolk Councillor or an East Suffolk Council employee, or the applicant, or agent, is a close relative of an East Suffolk Councillor or East Suffolk Council employee
- 4. The 'minded to' decision of the Planning Officer is contrary to either:
- The comments received from the Town or Parish Council within the 21-day consultation period; or
- The comments received from the Ward Member within the 21-day consultation period; or
- The comments received from a statutory consultee within the 21-day consultation period.
- 5. Within the 21 day consultation period a contrary position to the officer recommendation is received from the Town or Parish Council and a request for Committee decision is received from a Ward Member, then a Planning Committee member call-in process would be triggered. In the event that only a Town/Parish Council response or Ward Member response is received then the existing Referral Panel process would proceed.

