PLANNING COMMITTEE – TERMS OF REFERENCE 2012

Number of Members	9
Politically Balanced Y/N	Υ
Quorum	3
Procedure Rules applicable	Planning Procedure Rules and Council Procedure Rules (with the exception of Council Procedure Rules 1-4, 10, 14, 18.2, 20.1 and 22).
Terms of Reference	 To exercise all powers and duties of the Council on all matters relating to development control, including but not limited to: considering and determining applications for planning permission enforcement of planning control building preservation, Listed Buildings and Conservation areas Tree preservation orders Control of advertisements Footpath diversion orders under the Town and Country Planning legislation Certificates of Lawfulness To comment on proposals for development submitted by Worcestershire County Council and other public authorities To determine High Hedges applications in accordance with Part 8 of the Anti-Social Behaviour Act 2003
Special provisions as to the Chair	The Chair and the Vice-Chair, if members of the controlling Party Group, shall not be members of the Executive Committee

Special provisions as to membership

Only those Councillors who have undertaken appropriate training * may sit on the Planning Committee.

The Chief Executive, in consultation with the Member Support Steering Group will determine the criteria to be met and will determine whether individual Councillors have met those criteria.

* Annual Planning Committee training sessions

Definitions:

For the purposes of clarity:

'<u>Returning Members</u>' are those who are reappointed to the Planning Committee with <u>no</u> break in membership of more than 12 months.

'New Members' are those who are either brandnew to full Committee membership, or else returning after a break of 12 months or more.