

REPORT FOR DECISION

MEETING: PLANNING CONTROL COMMITTEE
DATE: 14 DECEMBER 2010
SUBJECT: VALIDATION CHECKLIST CRITERIA
REPORT FROM: ASSISTANT DIRECTOR FOR PLANNING,
ENVIRONMENT & REGULATORY SERVICES
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TYPE OF DECISION: COUNCIL

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION/STATUS: This paper is within the public domain

SUMMARY: The report provides an update on the consultation that was carried out on the Validation Checklist criteria that is to be updated and initially reported to the Committee in October 2010.

OPTIONS & RECOMMENDED OPTION The Committee is recommended to note the report, its content and accept the changes to the validation checklist criteria.

IMPLICATIONS:

Corporate Aims/Policy Framework:	Do the proposals accord with the Policy Framework? YES
Financial Implications and Risk Considerations:	Director of Finance and E-Government to advise regarding risk management N/A
Statement by Director of Finance and E-Government:	N/A
Equality/Diversity implications:	N/A
Considered by Monitoring Officer:	N/A

Are there any legal implications?	No. The approach set out in this report is consistent with existing planning policies.
Staffing/ICT/Property:	N/A
Wards Affected:	All
Scrutiny Interest:	N/A

TRACKING/PROCESS

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR:

Chief Executive/ Management Board	Executive Member/Chair	Ward Members	Partners
Scrutiny Commission	Executive	Committee	Council

1.0 Introduction

- 1.1. At the meeting of the Planning Control Committee on 19 October 2010, a report was provided to describe the amendments set out to the regulations for the validation of planning applications.
- 1.2. In April 2010, the Government issued a series of amendments and changes to planning regulations. In particular reference to this report, the Government set out its policy on the information that must be provided in support of planning applications with the requirement for existing validation checklists to be reviewed and adopted by 31 December 2010.
- 1.3. Since then, the contents of the revised checklist have been subject to consultation and this report provides the details of that process.
- 1.4. The purpose of this report is to seek confirmation that the revised checklists be adopted.

2.0 Consultation Process

Following on from the October meeting, consultees and the 9 Greater Manchester Local Authorities were notified on the 09th November 2010 and the checklists published on the website from 14th October 2010.

- 2.1. As a result of this publicity, No objections were received to the revisions. The police commented that they were pleased that the Council had used their suggested criteria for determining what type of applications require a Crime Impact Assessment and they also provided an informative note on the contents that such an assessment should include to be robust.

2.2. In view of this, it is recommended that the validation checklists be amended as presented on 19 October 2010 and be adopted. The checklists are attached to this report.

List of Background Papers:-

Bury Unitary Development Plan
Emerging Core Strategy for the Bury Local Development Framework

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