Committee: Planning Agenda Item

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Title: Development Management Local Validation

Checklists

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Summary

As part of the process of validating applications the Council has the ability to set local validation requirements. These are in addition to the national validation requirements which are set by government. The Council needs to balance the need for information with the demands on the applicant.

Recommendations

That the amended Development Management Local Validation Checklists and association document be adopted for Development Management validation purposes.

Financial Implications

1. None. The documents will be electronically distributed via the website.

Background Papers

None

Impact

2.

Communication/Consultation	Six week public consultation
Community Safety	No issues
Equalities	Affects everyone the same
Health and Safety	No issues
Human Rights/Legal Implications	Affects everyone the same
Sustainability	No issues
Ward-specific impacts	All wards

Registration Team

Situation

- The Government has changed the way in which planning applications are submitted. From 6 May 2008, the National Standard Planning Application Form became the official method of submitting a planning application for planning consent for all Local Planning Authorities (LPA's) in England.
- The standard form is intended to make the process of submitting a planning application less confusing for applicants.
- In addition, during 2013,. legislation was introduced whereby an applicant can challenge the information required to be submitted as part of an application. This could prolong the validation of an application and if their challenge is successful the decision may be taken away from the Local Authority and passed to the Planning Inspectorate.

Risk Analysis

There are no risks associated with this report.