

# Stottesdon and Sidbury Parish Council

## Planning site visits

As soon as possible on receipt of plans the Clerk will forward details to all Councillors and Chairman will arrange a site visit with the applicant. Once this has been arranged the Chairman will notify the Clerk and all Councillors of the date and time.

Cllrs are also reminded not to attend site visits if they have an interest in the application which must be declared.

As a member of the Parish Council you are requested to make planning decisions openly, impartially, with sound judgement and for justifiable reasons.

On site:

- Councillors will look at the site and plans and ask any questions relevant to the application but will not get into any debate regarding the application with the applicant or agent.
- NO decision will be made on site and no indication of Cllrs feelings should be given to the applicant.
- The applicant will be notified of the date of the next PC meeting when the application will be discussed so that they can attend if desired.
- Cllrs will not discuss the application further on site or prior to the PC meeting but go into the PC meeting with an open mind to fully discuss the application.

Cllrs if possible are asked to make themselves available for site visits but if they are unable to attend then they should look at the application on line or arrive earlier at the PC meeting in order to look at applications before the meeting commences.

This policy was adopted by the Parish Council on *28<sup>th</sup> July 2025*