

Recommendation to Council	From:	On:
24 June 2010	Constitution Advisory Group	1 June 2010
	CALL-IN OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS BY MEMBERS TO DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE	
1.	Council is asked to approve the following recommendation:- <i>that Part H section 4.3.95.1 of the Constitution be amended by the insertion of the words “and supported by the planning reason(s)” after the words “on an agreed pro forma” .</i>	
2.	The relevant section of the Constitution showing the proposed amendment is set out at Appendix A.	
	Background	
2.	The Constitution Advisory Group at its meeting on 1 June 2010 considered a proposal to require the planning reason(s) to be provided when a ward councillor calls-in a planning application to Development Management Committee.	
3.	The Advisory Group noted that Members tended to do so but that there was currently no requirement for this stated in the Constitution.	
	Reason for Recommendation	
4.	Development Management Committee can only take into account relevant planning issues when determining an application. Providing the reason(s) at the stage of call-in allows officers to give consideration to the matter when preparing the report and inform the recommendations accordingly. Members of the Committee are then able to have due regard to the planning considerations when considering the application.	

Please note that a copy of the original report can be found on the Central Bedfordshire Council web site at the following link:
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