

# COMMENTING ON PLANNING APPLICATIONS

## HOW CAN I MAKE MY VIEWS COUNT

- Keep your letter short, legible and to the point
- Get your letter to us before the consultation deadline

**Do** include relevant “material issues:

- Increased noise, smells, overbearing development
- Loss of privacy
- Loss of significant public views from a common view point
- Highway safety issues
- Over-development of the site
- New uses and their impacts on neighbours
- Design issues
- Planning policy issues

**Don't** include:

- Likely property devaluation
- Loss of private views
- Private matters eg. Contravening private covenants
- Disturbance due to building operations

### **Remember**

The Planning System does not exist to protect the private interests of one person against the activities of another.