

Pre-determination Hearing/Hearing Procedure

The Hearing will be webcast and the proposed procedure which the Committee will follow in respect of the Hearing is as follows:

- (i) The applicant will speak first (maximum of 15 minutes) outlining the application and addressing the stated objections.
- (ii) Councillors will then be given the opportunity to question the applicant in order to clarify points raised.
- (iii) Those submitting representations on the application will then be given the opportunity to address the meeting (maximum of 10* minutes) to speak to their stated objections/representations. It should be noted that the Committee will not be prepared to consider any new ground(s) of objection/representation.
- (iv) Councillors will be given the opportunity to question each objector in turn in order to clarify points raised.
- (v) Both applicant and objectors will then be given the opportunity to summarise their respective cases in light of the submissions to the Authority (5 minutes each maximum for objectors and equivalent time for the applicant).
- (vi) The Depute Chief Executive (Economy, Environment and Finance) or **or** representative will then be afforded the opportunity to make any additional comments and/or points of clarification in light of the submissions.
- (vii) This completes the pre-determination hearing/hearing process and the Committee will consider and, if so disposed, determine the application.

* This may be extended at the discretion of the Chairman in cases where the speaker is speaking on behalf of a number of objectors or is representing another party/parties who are unable to attend a Hearing.