

# Public Bill Committees - Scrutiny Unit

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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

### **Programme: Neighbourhood Planning Bill**

The provisional programme of witnesses for the Neighbourhood Planning Bill Committee has been agreed by its Programming Sub-Committee. The Committee will hear oral evidence all day on Tuesday 18 October. The Committee will further consider the Bill on the 20, 25 and 27 October, as well as 1 November.

The meetings are open to the public.

<b>Tuesday 18 October at 9.25am in the Boothroyd Room, Portcullis House</b>	
c9.25am until no later than 10.30am	Roy Pinnock, Member of the BPF Planning Committee, British Property Federation, Andrew Dixon, Head of Policy, Federation of Master Builders, Ross Murray, President, Country Land and Business Association, and Andrew Whitaker, Planning Director, Home Builders Federation
c10.30am until no later than 11.25am	Councillor Tony Newman, Member of the LGA's Environment, Economy, Housing and Transport Board and Leader of London Borough of Croydon, Local Government Association, Duncan Wilson OBE, Chief Executive, Historic England, Angus Walker, NIPA Board Chairman, National Infrastructure Planning Association, and Hugh Ellis, Interim Chief Executive and Head of Policy, Town and Country Planning Association
<b>Tuesday 18 October at 2.00pm in the Boothroyd Room, Portcullis House</b>	
c2.00pm until no later than 2.30pm	Ruth Reed, Chair of the RIBA Planning Group, Royal Institute of British Architects, and Jonathan Owen, Chief Executive, National Association of Local Councils
c2.30pm until no later than 3.00pm	Carole Reilly, Head of Neighbourhoods and Housing, Locality, and Matt Thomson, Head of Planning, Campaign to Protect Rural England
c3.00pm until no later than 4.00pm	Colin Cottage, Chairman, Compulsory Purchase Association, Richard Asher, Fellow, Royal Institute of

	Chartered Surveyors, Tim Smith, Member of the Law Society's Planning and Environmental Law Committee and partner at Berwin Leighton Paisner LLP, Law Society, and Richard Blyth, Head of Policy, Practice and Research , Royal Town Planning Institute
c4.00pm until no later than 4.45pm	Gavin Barwell MP, Minister of State (Housing, Planning and London), Department for Communities and Local Government, Steve Evison, Deputy Director - Local and Neighbourhood Plans, Department for Communities and Local Government, and Tony Thompson, Deputy Head of Development Management Division, Department for Communities and Local Government

Line by line scrutiny of the Bill (all in Committee Room 10, Palace of Westminster):

Thursday 20 October 11.30am and 2.00pm
Tuesday 25 October 9.25am and 2.00pm
Thursday 27 October 11.30am and 2.00pm
Tuesday 1 November 9.25am and 2.00pm

The Committee must complete consideration of the Bill no later than 5.00pm on Tuesday 1 November. **However, please note that when the Committee reports it is no longer able to receive written evidence and it can report earlier than the expected deadline of 5.00pm on Tuesday 1 November 2016.\***

\* In Session 2015–16 the following Public Bill Committees reported earlier than their scheduled conclusion: Investigatory Powers Bill, Policing and Crime Bill, Childcare Bill, Energy Bill, and the Finance Bill.

**The Bill can be viewed on the Parliamentary website:**

[http://www.publications.parliament.uk/pa/bills/cbill/2016-2017/0061/cbill\\_2016-20170061\\_en\\_1.htm](http://www.publications.parliament.uk/pa/bills/cbill/2016-2017/0061/cbill_2016-20170061_en_1.htm)

**The Explanatory Notes on the Bill are also available:**

<http://www.publications.parliament.uk/pa/bills/cbill/2016-2017/0061/en/17061en01.htm>

**Further details on giving evidence to a public bill committee are available here:**

<http://www.parliament.uk/documents/commons/Scrutiny/giving-evidence-to-PBC.pdf>

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