

New Structure at Charnwood

A new Planning and Regeneration Service has been established in Charnwood Borough which brings together all the related strands of development in a single service. Richard Bennett, the new Head of Service, said that "the new structure provides a more resilient planning and regeneration service more able to respond to the needs of our customers and to sustain high quality services". The new Service brings together Development Control and Building Control functions under a new Development Management Group under the day to day management of Steve Lewis Roberts (01509) 634731, Planning Policy, Conservation and Landscape, Economic Development, Regeneration and Sustainable Development lie within the Plans, Policies and Place Making Group managed by Martin Tincknell (01509) 634767.

New Local Planning Application Requirements

Nine local authorities working in partnership have produced a revised Local List of Planning Application Requirements. These are now statutorily required for any applications submitted to Charnwood. When an application does not meet the requirements as set out in the list it will be considered to be invalid.

For further information you can view comments received together with our responses on our [website](#).

Agents Forum

Date for your diary **7th October 2011**
Town Hall, Woodgate Chambers from 10am until 2pm.
Tea and coffee will be available.

Please email development.control@charnwood.gov.uk to book a place or send an item for the agenda.
Link to details of our previous [Agents Forum](#) and agenda.



Plans, Policies, Regeneration

National Planning Policy Framework Consultation

The Government have published the draft [National Planning Policy Framework](#) for consultation as part of their reforms to make the planning system less complex and more accessible, and to promote sustainable growth.

Article 4 Direction has been Confirmed

The Article 4 Direction for Loughborough means that planning permission is required before a dwellinghouse is altered to a House in Multiple Occupation on or after 12th February 2012.

Follow [this link](#) for more information and guidance.

Local Development Scheme Approved on the 7th July and brought into effect on the 18th August 2011. It sets out a timetable for the progression of the Core Strategy and other policy documents. Follow [this link](#) for further information.



Building Control



The new structure will improve our quality of service and ensure closer working relationships within the service.

Please follow [this link](#) to our contact details.

We have recently improved our part of the web site and have included many new aspects such as [guidance notes](#) for certain building projects, [contact details](#), [fees and application forms](#).

Using the latest software (SAP 2009) we now carry out domestic energy assessments to produce energy performance certificates and can provide thermal calculations to prove compliance for new dwellings.

[Energy Performance Certificates, EPC's guidance and application forms](#)

Pre application advice is available for developers of larger projects from one of our commercial surveyors.

Planning Enforcement Survey

The Enforcement Team are focusing on the quality of their service provision and will be contacting customers with a simple questionnaire.

We require feedback from agents, acting on behalf of members of the public and local businesses, who may find themselves in a situation where they need to resolve a breach of planning control. For more information visit our [webpage](#).



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