DEVELOPMENT CONTROL PUBLIC SPEAKER'S QUESTIONNAIRE

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Supporter	Doesn't read the leaflet as she is a professional and knows what she is doing!!	Yes	 Total shambles in her opinion. Position of speaker totally unsuitable, was shuffled backwards & forwards. Couldn't hear. Nowhere to put papers etc. Facing away from people in the room. 	Yes – but only because she attends numerous committees, felt that an inexperienced person would not.	 Install microphones. Better positioning of speaker. Suggests Committee Members actually read report before attending meeting and they would therefore be able to ask relevant questions directly to Agent/Applicant. Agent should have the last say after objectors have spoken.
Supporter	Doesn't read leaflet.	Yes, can be. However, sometimes it isn't. It is useful to attend, however if there is a lot of opposition they tend to have the ear of the Members more than the Developers. Page	 Previous Chairman was very helpful with regards to the procedure. Position of Speaker is unsatisfactory. 	Yes	 Suggests that any applications that require a site visit are placed at the beginning of the agenda, so that there is no need for Agent etc. to stay for the whole meeting. Suggests that all applications going to

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		able to speak?			Committee automatically have a site visit before DC meeting (as E. Staffs procedure). Suggests that only Members who have attended the site visit are allowed to comment at Committee. Chairman should explain to speakers at the beginning of meeting where they are to sit.
Supporter	Yes	Yes, but less so if Officers support the application.	Yes	Yes	Chairman should advise people how to exit the Chambers as he ended up going into the Members' room.
Objector	Yes	Yes Page	Could have been better organised. Felt as though he was shuffled about. Suggested that if a person is to speak they are placed at the	Yes	None – very satisfied overall.
Supporter	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Would like to have

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					been able to respond to further comments after 3 minute slot.
Objector	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No major suggestions, only comment being allowed to bring handouts / photographs to support their objections.
	Yes	Yes	Chairman explained everything very well. However, felt that seating capacity was inadequate.	Yes	 Review seating arrangements. Suggests that where there is a speaker for an application that they are placed at the beginning of the agenda.