National Scheme of Delegation from 31 October 2026

Schedule 2 Applications (including Council own/self-interest schemes)

This application has been assessed against the provisions of the National Scheme of Delegation, which came into force on 31 October 2026, and has been identified as a **Schedule 2 application**.

In accordance with the Scheme, the application will be subject to the required **Gateway Test** to determine whether it should be referred to the Planning Committee for determination or whether it remains as an item delegated to officers in line with the requirements of the new national scheme of delegation.

The Gateway Test considers whether the application raises planning issues of such significance that determination by Planning Committee would be justified. The assessment includes consideration of whether the proposal would have significant economic, social, or environmental impacts on a local area, or raises significant planning matters having regards to the Council's adopted development plan and any other material considerations.

The possible outcomes of the Gateway Test are:

- **Gateway Test not met**: the application remains a Schedule 2 Delegated Application and will be determined by officers under delegated authority.
- **Gateway Test met**: the application becomes a Schedule 2 Committee Application and will be referred to Planning Committee for determination.

Council own/self-interest applications

Where the Council is the applicant, or has an interest in the land, or an officer of the Council or a Councillor is the applicant these are known as self interest applications and must be considered by the Gateway panel if these items can continue to be determined by Officers under delegated powers or whether they should be referred to the Planning Committee for a decision on propriety and openness grounds. These cases do not have to pass the specific gateway criteria listed above for them to be referred to the planning committee for a decision.

For more information please visit our website - National Scheme of Delegation - South Holland District Council