

**PUBLIC PETITIONS COMMITTEE CONSIDERATION OF PE1518
QUESTIONS / ISSUES ARISING FROM COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

TUESDAY 28 OCTOBER 2014

Scottish Government—

- Whether the Scottish Government will undertake work to ascertain how widespread the practice is of phasing applications to avoid the obligations for a major development?
- Whether the Chief Planner would consider writing to all planning authorities and other stakeholders reiterating the Scottish Government's position on planning hierarchy and the value of consultation in the planning process?
- What steps can be taken to create a culture whereby developers see engagement as a positive part of the planning process?
- Whether lack of meaningful consultation should become a ground for refusing consent?
- Under what circumstances would the Scottish Government use the power of Scottish Ministers to direct planning authorities to treat a local development as a major development and what the process would be?
- What were the outcomes following the 2010 review of planning authority websites and has there been improvement since the review was completed?

TUESDAY 17 JUNE 2014

Scottish Government—

Heads of Planning Scotland—

- What are your views on what the petition seeks and the discussions that took place at the meeting on 17 June 2014?
- Has a review or research been carried out into the availability and accessibility of the information on local authority websites that relates to planning applications? Will you undertake such a review?

Royal Town Planning Institute Scotland—

Planning Aid Scotland—

- What are your views on what the petition seeks and the discussions that took place at the meeting on 17 June 2014?

Alison McInnes MSP—

Nanette Milne MSP—

- What information have you gathered on this issue, and what conclusions have you reached in relation to the action being sought in the petition?