

Appendix A - 2015
Survey
Member Call In - London

Boroughs	Restriction on Call-In	Ward Members Only	More Details and/or Other Restrictions
Responding Authority			
Barking and Dagenham	Yes	No	Requests are subject to the agreement of the Chair and should be made within 21 days of validation but this can be waived.
Barnet	No		
Bexley	No		
Brent	Yes	No	Any three Members of the Council can request, in accordance with the Council's Planning Code of Practice, that a particular application be considered by the Planning Committee, rather than under Delegated powers. It doesn't need to be the Ward Councillors. Members have to explain why they have "called in" the application, it is then reported when the item goes before the Planning Committee.
Bromley	No		
Camden	Yes	See details	Where objections are received to an application from a residents/amenity group, a ward Councillor, or three or more respondents from different addresses a decision cannot be made by delegated powers without first bringing it to the attention of a Members' Briefing Panel (3 members). The panel will either:- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> advise that they are satisfied with the proposed decision being made under delegated powers; or recommend to the Director, that the decision is made by the Development Control Committee instead
Croydon	Yes	Yes	
Ealing	Yes	Yes	A ward councillor may submit a written request to the Chair or nominated Vice Chair asking that this application be brought to Planning Committee for decision, giving reasons for the request. If the Chair or nominated Vice Chair agrees to the request, the committee agenda report will include a note of the request and reasons.
Enfield	Yes	No	The request must be made within 5 weeks of the application being received and the Councillors must give a reason for the request which then is included in the report.
Greenwich	No		
Hackney	Yes	See details	At Hackney 5 Members of the Planning Sub Committee or 10 Members of the Council may submit a written request to call an application into the Planning Sub Committee
Hammersmith & Fulham	Yes	No	Any Councillor can ask the Head of Service for a call-in to committee but must do so within 2 weeks of the application being included in the weekly list of applications, and they must give an "appropriate" reason for doing so.
Haringey	Yes	No	Members have to fill out a form requesting a call-in which must state the material considerations which warrant the call in. The forms are then discussed with the Planning Committee Chair who has the final say as to whether an item goes to committee.
Harrow	Yes	See details	Only the Chair or nominated member of the opposition party are able to call in an application. If other members want an application brought to committee, they have to ask one of these two members to request this.
Havering	No		
Hillingdon	Yes	Yes	
Hounslow	Yes	Yes	Ward members or the Chair of the Area Forum in which the application sits can refer to Local Area Forum (held bi-monthly). Local Area Forum can then either refer back to officers to decide under delegated authority, or refer to the next Planning Committee for decision.
Islington	Yes	No	A member needs a seconder (another member) to call in an application to committee, the 3 committee chairs and the executive member do NOT need a seconder and can call in individually
Kensington & Chelsea	No		
Kingston	Yes	No	Any Member can call in an application to the Neighbourhood Committee within 28 days of validation and must raise valid planning grounds for the application to be referred to the committee.
Lambeth	Yes	No	As per Haringey
Lewisham	No		
Merton	No		
Newham	Yes	No	Newham does not have a facility for Members to call in planning applications. However, an application that is scheduled to be determined by the Local Development Committee can instead be referred to the Strategic Development Committee for determination subject to prior agreement by the Divisional Director and the chair of both committees in the event that the application in question is considered to be of strategic importance.
Redbridge	Yes	No	Members can call in planning applications within the 21 day consultation period. Members are required to write to the Chief Planning and Regeneration Officer to request this and should detail the reasons for calling the application in.

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Richmond	Yes	No	Request needs to within 14 days from appearing on the weekly list (circulated electronically every Friday) and that a planning reason has to be given too.
Southwark	Yes	No	A referral of an application needs a request to be made by any two members (no restriction as to ward or otherwise) and agreement of the request by the Chair of the planning committee
Tower Hamlets	Yes	No	Within four weeks of the date of a planning application first being publicised any four Members of the relevant Committee may request that the application be referred to the Committee for determination by completing and signing a Planning Application Referral Request which shall be delivered to the Service Head, Development Decisions.
Waltham Forest	No		
Wandsworth	Yes	No	Any councillor can request a call-in, although this should be in writing and give the 'planning grounds' for the request. This is made to the Chair who (officially in consultation with the Assistant Director) makes the decision on whether the application should be determined at committee.
Westminster	No		