

**ROCHDALE METROPOLITAN  
BOROUGH COUNCIL**

**SCHEME OF DELEGATION**

**TO TOWNSHIP COMMITTEES**

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Committee Services Section  
Legal and Democratic Services

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<u>Subject</u>	<u>Function</u>	<u>Delegation</u>
A. Township Fund and Budgets	1. Authority to authorise expenditure from the Township Fund and budgets allocated to the Township	Devolved Funding Sub-Committee/Township Fund Grant Sub-Committee (except in cases which are deemed urgent, when the authority will be delegated to the Chief Executive after consultation with the Chair and Vice-Chair, together with the Opposition Spokesperson(s) where appropriate)
B. Development Control	1. Decisions in accordance with the Council's Development Control Scheme (Appendix 2)	Township Planning Sub-Committee
C. Administration and Enforcement of Building Regulations and Related Legislation	1. Duty to determine all applications under the Building Regulations and related legislation where there have been declarations of interest by Members or Officers	Township Committee
D. Land	1. Disposal of land and buildings where no objection is raised by the Township Committee	Township Committee
E. Grounds Maintenance/ Street Cleansing	1. Authority to authorise expenditure from Grounds Maintenance Budget allocated to the Township	Township Committee
	2. Groundcare and Street Cleansing cyclic and non-cyclical work	Head of Environmental Management following consultation with Township Committee/Working Party
F. Highways	1. Initiation of Traffic Regulation Order Procedures on side roads	Head of Highways and Engineering after consultation with the appropriate Township Committee Chair
	2. Confirmation of Traffic Regulation Orders which are the subject of objection by persons directly affected by the proposal (i.e. in occupation of premises in the immediate vicinity of the proposal)	Township Committee (other than in circumstances where a Township Committee chooses not to confirm an order deemed strategic in nature by the Head of Highways and Engineering)
	3. Closures or diversions of highways, including footpaths and bridleways, deemed to be contentious by the Head of Highways and Engineering	Township Committee

	4.	Experimental Traffic Regulation Orders (Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, S.9)	Township Committee
	5.	Traffic regulation for special areas, for example, Country Park ( Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, S.22)	Township Committee
	6.	Pedestrian crossings, for example, pelican and zebra crossings (Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, S.23)	Township Committee
	7.	Street playgrounds (Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, S.29)	Township Committee
	8.	Byelaws for street playgrounds (Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, S.31)	Township Committee
	9.	(a) Initiation of introduction of road hump schemes (Highways Act 1980 S.90A, 90B and 90C)	Head of Highways and Engineering after consultation with the appropriate Township Committee Chair
		(b) Installation of road humps which are the subject of significant objections by people directly affected (as determined by the Head of Highways and Engineering)	Township Committee
G. Highway Maintenance	1.	Authority to authorise expenditure from Highway Maintenance Budget allocated to the Township	Township Committee
	2.	<u>Making Up of Private Streets – Part IX of Highways Act 1980</u>	Township Committee
		(i) The private street works code )	
		(ii) General )	
		(iii) The advance payment code )	
H. Footpaths and Bridleways	1.	Power to determine applications to make Orders under the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 to add footpaths to the Definitive Map	Township Committee
	2.	Power to make Footpath Creation Orders under the Highways Act 1980 S.26	Township Committee
	3.	Reclassification of roads used as public paths under the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981	Township Committee
	4.	Power to designate public footpath as cycle track under the Cycle Tracks Act 1984	Township Committee
I. Elections	1.	Location of Polling Stations	Township Committee
J. Licensing	1.	Authority to determine certain applications for Public Entertainment Licences and Gaming Permits	Township Delegated Sub-Committee

	2.	Power to establish closing hours of late night cafes, takeaways and refreshment houses	Township Committee
	3.	Determination of objections/ representations in respect of the Appointment of Hackney Carriage Stands	Township Delegated Sub-Committee
K. Festive Displays	1.	Authority to authorise expenditure from Festive Displays Budget allocated to the Township	Township Committee
L. War Memorials	1.	Authority to authorise expenditure from War Memorials Budget allocated to the Township	Township Committee
M. Hedgerows	1.	Power of the Council under the Hedgerow Regulations 1997	Township Planning Sub-Committee
N. Compulsory Purchase Orders	1.	Power to make a Compulsory Purchase Order	Township Committee, except in the case of Strategic Orders (as determined by the Head of Planning & Regulation Service or the Head of Highways and Engineering) for the acquisition of land for planning and/or highways purposes
O. Clearance Areas	1.	Declaration of Clearance Areas	Township Committee
P. Relocation Grants	1.	Power to consider whether Relocation Grants should be made available to help keep communities together where affected by clearance proposals.	Township Committee
Q. Voluntary Sector Grants	1.	Authority to make grants to Voluntary Sector Organisations within the Township from the appropriate budget	Township Committee
R. School Governing Body Vacancies	1.	To nominate appointees to School Governing Body Vacancies in accordance with agreed formula	Township Committee
S. School Names	1.	Power to determine, alter or change the name of a school within the boundary of the Township at the request of the school's governing body	Township Committee
T. Appointments to Outside Bodies, Charitable and Educational Trusts	1.	Power to appoint representatives to Outside Bodies and Charitable and Educational Trusts	Township Committee
U. Housing Strategy and Renewal	1.	Approval of joint Commissioning Strategies with Registered Social Landlords (Housing Associations)	Township Committee
	2.	Township level Housing Strategies and Annual Reviews at Township	Township Committee



Delegated powers of the Rochdale Township Committee as they relate to the redevelopment of the defined area of Rochdale Town Centre shall be exercised by the Rochdale Town Centre Committee for the duration of that Committee.

Scheme