

PLANNING COMMITTEE – 6 MARCH 2023
PLANNING ENFORCEMENT REPORT

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 This report provides Members with an update on service performance for planning enforcement during the 4th quarter of 2022 (1/10/22 – 31/12/22)

2.0 PLANNING ENFORCEMENT SERVICE PERFORMANCE

- 2.1 Set out below is a breakdown of figures in relation to received, closed and live cases during the 4th quarter of 2022 (1/10/22 – 31/12/22).

Number of cases received inc high hedge 148

Total Number of cases closed 163

The total number of current live cases open 523

- 2.2 A list of all live cases to **21st February 2023** can be found at Appendix 1.

- 2.3 During the year 2022 a total of

- **576 cases were closed**
- **593 cases were opened**

- 2.3 Below is a breakdown of all **163** cases closed during the 4th quarter, including the reason for closure.

For comparison **104** cases were closed during the 4th quarter of 2021.

Reason	Count
Advertisement Consent Granted	1
Amendment Approved	0
Case Closed (includes duplicated cases)	13
Conditions Discharged	2
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Delegated Authority - no further action	9
Listed Building Consent granted	0
No breach established	54
Notice issued - complied	7
Permitted development	12
Planning App Approved	25
Prosecution	0
Referred to other service	4
Simple Caution	0
Remedied following informal action	28
Use/operational development lawful	8
Default action taken under s219	0
Total	163

2.4 During the 4th quarter the following formal notices were served:

Notice	Count
Enforcement Notice	5
Listed Building Enforcement Notice	1
Planning Contravention Notice	4
Requisition for Information	1
Breach of Condition Notice	1
Stop Notice (excluding Temporary Stop Notice)	0
Temporary Stop Notice	0
Enforcement Injunction granted	0
Section 215 Notice	1
Repairs Notice	0
High Hedge Remedial Notice	0
Tree Replacement Notice	0
Hedgerow replacement Notice	0
Total	13

2.5 It is also noteworthy that since the last report staffing levels have increased within the enforcement team with an enforcement support officer and an enforcement officer (both full time) being appointed, along with a temporary increase in hours for a part time officer. These

extra resources should allow the team to reduce the backlog of cases and improve customer care.

3.0 RECOMMENDATION

3.1 That this report is noted.

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