

# **Area Planning Sub-Committee**

5 February 2015

## **Planning Enforcement Cases - Update**

### **Summary**

1. The purpose of this report is to provide Members with a continuing quarterly update on planning enforcement cases. Members should note that this report covers a 4 month period.

## **Background**

- 2. Members have received reports on the number of outstanding enforcement cases within the Sub-Committee area, on a quarterly basis, since July 1998, this report continues this process.
- 3. Some of these cases have been brought forward as the result of information supplied by residents and local organisations, and therefore "The annexes to this report are marked as exempt under Paragraph 6 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, as this information, if disclosed to the public would reveal that the Authority proposes to give, under any enactment a notice under or by virtue of which requirements are imposed on a person, or that the Authority proposes to make an order or direction under any enactment".
- 4. In order to give Members an up to date report, the schedules attached have been prepared on the very latest day that they could be to be included in this report on this agenda.
- 5. Section 106 Agreements are monitored by the Enforcement team. A system has been set up to enable Officers to monitor payments required under the Agreement.

#### **Current Position**

6. Across the City of York Council area 124 new investigation cases were received in the period October 2014 to 26 January 2015. During the same period 133 cases were closed. A total of 532 ongoing investigations remain open.

#### Consultation

7. This is an information report for Members and therefore no consultation has taken place regarding the contents of the report.

### **Options**

8. This is an information report for Members and therefore no specific options are provided to Members regarding the content of the report.

### The Council Plan 2011-2015

9. The Council priorities for Building strong Communities and Protecting the Environment are relevant to the Planning Enforcement function. In particular enhancing the public realm by helping to maintain and improve the quality of York's streets and public spaces is an important part of the overall Development Management function, of which planning enforcement is part of.

## 10. Implications

- Financial None
- Human Resources (HR) None
- Equalities None
- Legal None
- Crime and Disorder None
- Information Technology (IT) None
- Property None
- Other None

# Risk Management

11. There are no known risks.

### Recommendations

12. That Members note the content of the report. Officers do try to update the individual reports and cases when necessary but it is not always possible to keep up with these straight away. Therefore if Members have any additional queries or questions about cases on this enforcement report then please e-mail or telephone Gareth Arnold Development Manager before 5pm on Tuesday 3 February 2015. Please note that the cases are presented in Ward order so hopefully this will make it easier for Members to reference cases in their respective areas.

Also, if Members identify any cases which they consider are not now expedient to pursue and / or they consider could now be closed, giving reasons, then if they could advise officers either at the meeting or in writing, then that would be very helpful in reducing the number of outstanding cases, particularly older ones.

Reason: To update Members on the number of outstanding enforcement cases within the Sub-Committees area.

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**Annexes**- Enforcement Cases (Confidential)

Annex A - Cases Closed (confidential) p97-161

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