Agenda Item



East Area Planning Sub Committee

8th September 2011

West and City Centre Area Planning Sub Committee

15th September 2011

Planning Committee

22nd September 2011

Appeals Performance and Decision Summaries

Summary

This report (presented to both Sub Committees and Main Planning Committee) informs Members of the Council's performance in relation to appeals determined by the Planning Inspectorate in the 3-month period up to 30th June 2011, and provides a summary of the salient points from appeals determined in that period. A list of outstanding appeals as at 30th August 2011 is also included.

Background

- Appeal statistics are collated by the Planning Inspectorate on a quarterly basis. Whilst the percentage of appeals allowed against the Council's decision is no longer a National Performance Indicator, it has in the past been used to abate the amount of Housing and Planning Delivery Grant (HPDG) received by an Authority performing badly against the average appeals performance. Appeals performance in York has been close to the national average for a number of years.
- Whilst the Inspectorate breaks down the appeals by type in reporting performance, the table below includes all types of appeals such as those against refusal of planning permission, against conditions of approval, enforcement notices, listed building applications and lawful development certificates. Figure 1 shows performance on appeals decided by the Inspectorate, in each CYC Sub Committee area and in total for the 3 and 12 month periods to 30th June.

Fig 1: Appeals Decided by the Planning Inspectorate For 3 months and Year to 30th June 2011

	3 Months			12 Months		
	East	West/ Centre	Total	East	West/ Centre	Total
Allowed	3	2	5	10	6	16
Part Allowed	0	0	0	1	3	4
Dismissed	5	5	10	20	20	40
Total Decided	8	7	15	31	29	60
% Allowed	37.5	28.57	33.33	32.26	20.68	26.67
% Part Allowed	0	0	0	3.22	10.34	6.67
Withdrawn	1	0	1	1	0	1

Analysis

- The table shows that for the 3 months to 30th June 2011, a total of 15 appeals relating to CYC decisions were determined by the Inspectorate. Of those, 5 were allowed. At 33.33%, this rate of appeals allowed is at the national average, and higher than the 21.05%, for the previously reported 3 month period.
- For the 12 months up to 30th June 2011, CYC performance was 26.67% allowed, again higher than the previously reported 12 month period of 23.33% but still below the national average.
- The summaries of appeals determined in the 3 months to 30th June 2011 are included at Annex A. Details as to whether the application was dealt with under delegated powers or Committee (and in those cases the original officer recommendation) are included with each summary. Figure 2 below shows that in the period covered, 6 of the appeals determined related to applications refused by Committee:-

Figure 2: Applications Refused by Committee

Reference	Site	Proposal	Outcome	Officer Rec.
10/01871/FUL	62 Brockfield Park Drive	Shop (A1) to takeaway (A5)	Dismissed	Approve
10/01688/ADV	1 Peckitt Street	Lettering Sign	Dismissed	Refuse
10/01689/LBC	1 Peckitt Street	Lettering Sign	Dismissed	Refuse
10/02096/FULM	156B Haxby Road	Residential development	Allowed with costs	Approve
10/02529/FUL	124 Heslington Lane	Extensions to bungalow	Dismissed	Approve
10/01521/FUL	24 Hull Rd.	Dwelling (C3) to offices (C2)	Allowed	Approve

The list of current appeals is attached at Annex B. There are 12 appeals lodged with the Planning Inspectorate, 5 in the East Sub Committee area and 7 in West and City Centre Sub Committee area. 11 are proposed to be dealt with by the Written Representation process (W) and 1 (North Selby Mine Enforcement Notice Appeal) by Public Inquiry (P).

Consultation

8 This is essentially an information report for Members and therefore no consultation has taken place regarding its content.

Corporate Objectives

9 The report is relevant to the furthering of the Council's objectives of making York a sustainable City, maintaining its special qualities, making it a safer city, and providing an effective organisation with high standards.

Implications

10 Financial – There are no financial implications directly arising from the report.

- 11 Human Resources There are no Human Resources implications directly involved within this report and the recommendations within it other than the need to allocate officer time towards the provision of the information.
- 12 Legal There are no known legal implications associated with this report or the recommendations within it.
- 13 There are no known Equalities, Property, Crime & Disorder or other implications associated with the recommendations within this report.

Risk Management

14 In compliance with the Council's risk management strategy, there are no known risks associated with the recommendations of this report.

Recommendation

15 That Members note the content of this report.

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Specialist Implications Officer(s) None. Wards Affected: All Y					

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Annexes

Annex A – Summaries of Appeals Determined between 1st April and 30th June 2011

Annex B – Outstanding Appeals to 30th August 2011