

West & City Centre Area Planning Sub-Committee

18 April 2013

Report of the Director of City Strategy

Enforcement Cases - Update

Summary

1. The purpose of this report is to provide Members with a continuing quarterly update on the number of enforcement cases currently outstanding for the area covered by this Sub-Committee.

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 Schedule 12A to Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972, as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006, 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. 40 new cases were received for this area within the last 3 months. 54 cases were closed and 174 remain outstanding. There are 82 Section 106 Agreement monitoring cases outstanding for this area after the closure of 12 in the last 3 months. A total of £265,856.75 required as financial contributions as part of signed S106 agreements attached to approved developments in the West and Centre area has been received in the last quarter.
- 7. 2 Enforcement Notices have been served in this quarter in the West area and there are 2 further notices awaiting service. We currently have 1 on-going appeal against an Enforcement notice.

Consultation

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

Options

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

9. The Council Plan 2011-2015

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

11. Risk Management

There are no known risks.

12. Recommendations

That Members note the content of the report. Officers do try to update the individual reports on 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 Andy Blain or Matthew Parkinson by 5pm on Wednesday 17th April. Please note that the cases are now presented in Parish 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.

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

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Report **Approved**



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Specialist Implications Officer(s) None

Wards Affected: All Wards in the West and City Centre

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area

For further information please contact the authors of this report

Annexes

Annex A - Enforcement Cases – Update (Confidential)