

REPORT TO: Planning Committee City 5th October 2022

LEAD OFFICER: Joint Director of Planning and Economic Development

Enforcement Report

Executive Summary

1. On 30th August 2022 there were 146 open cases, including 61 Short Term Visitor Accommodation investigations.

In August 2022, 20 new cases were opened, and 10 investigations were closed.

In August 2022, one formal enforcement notice was served.

2. Statistical data is contained in Appendices 1 and 2 to this report.

Updates to Service Delivery

The month of August has seen numbers of complaints and investigations concluded and closed snap at a consistent level seen in previous months.

August has seen the continuation of a soft launch of new ways of alleged breaches of planning control being reported online, alongside the introduction of a real time updated enforcement register being made available. This sits alongside new online web content explaining the enforcement process is also being launched which will enable residents to determine if their enquiry is likely to be determine a breach of planning control.

Three posts within the Compliance Team have been out for recruitment. One of the two Senior Enforcement Posts have been filled and recruitment has concluded for the Principal Planning Enforcement Lead Officer.

Updates to significant cases

Previous updates requested by Members in August will be sent out this month. Should Members wish for specific updates to be added to the Enforcement Report then please request these from the Lead Principal Planning Compliance Officer and they will be added to the next available Planning Committee.

On a further note, if members would like further information to be submitted as part of this report moving forward then please contact the Lead Principal Planning Compliance Officer.

Updates are as follows:

8 Kelsey Crescent, Cherry Hinton.

Following the refusal of retrospective planning permission, a Breach of Condition Enforcement Notice was served on 14th January 2022 requiring a habitable outbuilding be reduced in size to those dimensions shown in plans passed under planning ref. 19/0838/FUL. An appeal has been received and deemed to be valid by the national Planning Inspectorate against the refusal of the retrospective planning application ref. 21/01125/HFUL as well as the service of the Enforcement Notice. A statement of case has been submitted stating the councils grounds for service of the enforcement notice and now awaiting the decision from the Planning Inspectorate.

Representations against the appellants claim for costs has also been submitted.

Update August: Still awaiting both decisions from Planning Inspectorate.

Appendices

Appendix 1: Enforcement Cases Received and Closed.

Appendix 2: Notices Served.

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