

Report to:	PLANNING COMMITTEE
Relevant Officer:	Tim Coglan, Service Manager, Public Protection
Date of Meeting:	22 May 2018

PLANNING ENFORCEMENT UPDATE – MARCH 2018

1.0 Purpose of the report:

1.1 The Committee is requested to consider the summary of planning enforcement activity within Blackpool during March 2018.

2.0 Recommendation(s):

2.1 To note the outcomes of the cases set out below and to support the actions of the Service Manager, Public Protection Department, in authorising the notices set out below.

3.0 Reasons for recommendation(s):

3.1 The Committee is provided with a summary of planning enforcement activity for its information.

3.2a Is the recommendation contrary to a plan or strategy adopted or approved by the Council? No

3.2b Is the recommendation in accordance with the Council's approved budget? Yes

3.3 Other alternative options to be considered:

Not applicable. The report is for noting only.

4.0 Council Priority:

4.1 The relevant Council Priority is 'The Economy: maximising growth and opportunity across Blackpool.'

5.0 Background Information

5.1 Cases

5.2 New cases

In total, 42 new cases were registered for investigation, compared with 42 received in March 2017.

5.3 Resolved cases

In March 2018, nine cases were resolved by negotiation without recourse to formal action, compared with 18 in March 2017.

5.4 Closed cases

In total, 24 cases were closed during the month (26 in March 2017). These cases include those where there was no breach of planning control found, no action was appropriate (e.g. due to more effective action by other agencies, such as the police) or where it was considered not expedient to take action, such as due to the insignificant nature of the breach.

5.5 Formal enforcement notices / s215 notices / BCNs / CPNs

- One enforcement notice authorised in March 2018 (one in March 2017);
- No s215 notices authorised in March 2018 (three in March 2017);
- No Breach of Condition notices authorised in March 2018 (none in March 2017)

- One enforcement notice served in March 2018 (none in March 2017);
- No s215 notices served in March 2018 (one in March 2017);
- No Breach of Condition notices served in March 2018 (none in March 2017);
- No Community Protection Notices served in March 2018 (one in March 2017)

5.6 relating to those cases set out in the table below.

5.7 **Notices authorised in March 2018**

Reference	Address	Case	Dates
17/8205	2a Portland Road / 113 Whitegate Drive	Unauthorised subdivision of rear of ground floor commercial unit into residential accommodation (known as 2a Portland Rd) with installation of a door and a window on the north elevation and a window on the western elevation of the rear extension	Enforcement notice authorised 13/03/2018

5.8 **Notices served in March 2018**

Ref	Address	Case	Dates
17/8053	Land to the south-west of 7 Laundry Road	Without planning permission, the use of the land for the siting of a caravan	Enforcement Notice issued 22/03/2018. Compliance due 30/05/2018.

5.9 Does the information submitted include any exempt information? No

5.10 **List of Appendices:**

5.10.1 None

6.0 **Legal considerations:**

6.1 None

7.0 **Human Resources considerations:**

7.1 None

8.0 **Equalities considerations:**

8.1 None

9.0 Financial considerations:

9.1 None

10.0 Risk management considerations:

10.1 None

11.0 Ethical considerations:

11.1 None

12.0 Internal/ External Consultation undertaken:

12.1 None

13.0 Background papers:

13.1 None