

Report to:	PLANNING COMMITTEE
Relevant Officer:	Tim Cogan, Service Manager, Public Protection
Date of Meeting	14 August 2018

PLANNING ENFORCEMENT UPDATE

1.0 Purpose of the report:

- 1.1 The Committee is requested to consider the summary of planning enforcement activity within Blackpool during July 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, 44 new cases were registered for investigation, compared to 71 received in July 2017.

5.3 Resolved cases

In July 2018, 16 cases were resolved by negotiation without recourse to formal action, compared with six in July 2017.

5.4 Closed cases

In total, 18 cases were closed during the month (49 in July 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

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

- No enforcement notices served in July 2018 (two in July 2017);
- No s215 notices served in July 2018 (two in July 2017);
- No Breach of Condition notices served in July 2018 (none in July 2017);
- No Community Protection Notice served in July 2018 (one in July 2017).

5.6 Does the information submitted include any exempt information? No

5.7 List of Appendices:

5.7.1 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