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| Report to: | Planning Committee |
| Relevant Officer: | Tim Coglan, Service Manager, Public Protection |
| Date of Meeting | 20 December 2016 |

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 November 2016.

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

5.1.1 New cases

In total, 72 new cases were registered for investigation, compared to 53 received in November 2015.

5.1.2 Resolved cases

In November 2016, eight cases were resolved by negotiation without recourse to formal action, compared to fourteen in November 2015.

5.1.3 Closed cases

In total, 54 cases were closed during the month (33 in November 2015). 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.

5.1.4 Formal enforcement notices / s215 notices / BCNs

- No enforcement notices authorised in November 2016 (two in November 2015);
- No s215 notices authorised in November 2016 (none in November 2015);
- No Breach of Condition notices authorised November 2016 (none in November 2015).

- Two enforcement notices served in November 2016 (none in November 2015);
- No s215 notices served in November 2016 (two in November 2015);
- No Breach of Condition notices served in November 2016 (none in November 2015);
- No Community Protection Notice served in November 2016 (one in November 2015).

Enforcement notices / S215 notices issued in November 2016

| Ref | Address | Case | Dates |
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| 15/8615 | 52 Bangor Avenue | Unauthorised erection of a boundary treatment consisting of close boarded wooden fencing adjacent to highway, namely Bangor Avenue and Lentworth Avenue, exceeding one metre in height | Enforcement notice issued 09/11/2016. Compliance due 21/02/2017 unless an appeal is made to the Planning Inspectorate by 21/12/2016. |
| 15/8675 | 253 Promenade | Unauthorised change of use from a hotel to two self-contained permanent flats | Enforcement notice issued 14/11/2016. Compliance due 28/03/2017 unless an appeal is made to the Planning Inspectorate by 28/12/2016. |

5.1.5 Does the information submitted include any exempt information? No

5.2 List of Appendices:

5.2.1 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