

Report to:	PLANNING COMMITTEE
Relevant Officer:	Tim Coglan (Service Manager, Public Protection)
Date of Meeting:	9 May 2017

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 March 2017.

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, 42 new cases were registered for investigation, compared to 51 received in March 2016.

5.1.2 Resolved cases

In March 2017, 18 cases were resolved by negotiation without recourse to formal action, compared with 10 in March 2016.

5.1.3 Closed cases

In total, 26 cases were closed during the month (17 in March 2016). 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

- One enforcement notice authorised in March 2017 (two in March 2016);
- Three s215 notices authorised in March 2017 (three in March 2016);
- No Breach of Condition notices authorised in March 2017 (none in March 2016)

- No enforcement notices served in March 2017 (none in March 2016);
- One s215 notice served in March 2017 (one in March 2016);
- No Breach of Condition notices served in March 2017 (none in March 2016);
- One Community Protection Notice served in March 2017 (one in March 2016).

relating to those cases set out in the table overleaf.

Notices authorised in March 2017

Reference	Address	Case	Dates
16/8442	253 Fleetwood Road	Unauthorised formation, laying out and construction of a means of access on a classified road (A587) by removal of the front boundary wall and gatepost	Enforcement notice authorised 22/03/2017
16/8063	123/125 Church Street and 2a/4a/6a/8a Alfred Street	Poor condition of property	S215 notice authorised 22/03/2017
16/8077	30 Coop Street	Poor condition of property	S215 notice authorised 22/03/2017
16/8078	26 Coop Street	Poor condition of property	S215 notice authorised 23/03/2017

Notices served in March 2017

Reference	Address	Case	Dates
15/8751	10 Boome Street	Poor condition of property	S215 notice issued 09/03/2017. Notice due for compliance by 13/05/2017
16/8159	Telephone Exchange, Torsway Ave	Poor condition of boundary fencing	CPN issued 21/03/2017, complied with by 29/03/2017

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