Report to:	Planning Committee
Relevant Officer:	Tim Coglan (Service Manager, Public Protection)
Date of Meeting:	9 March 2015

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 January 2015.

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?
- 3.2b Is the recommendation in accordance with the Council's approved Yes budget?
- 3.3 Other alternative options to be considered:

Not applicable. The report is for noting only.

4.0 Council Priority:

4.1 Not applicable

5.0 Background Information

5.1 Cases

New cases

In total, 77 new cases were registered for investigation, compared to 24 received in January 2014.

Resolved cases

In January 2015, thirteen cases were resolved by negotiation without recourse to formal action, compared with five in January 2014.

Closed cases

In total, 22 cases were closed during the month (12 in January 2014). 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.

Formal enforcement notices / s215 notices / BCNs

- One enforcement notice authorised in January 2015 (two in January 2014);
- Five s215 notices authorised in January 2015 (none in January 2014);
- One Breach of Condition notices authorised in January 2015 (one in January 2014).
- Two enforcement notices served in January 2015 (none in January 2014);
- Four s215 notices served in January 2015 (one in January 2014);
- No Breach of Condition notices served in January 2015 (one in January 2014);

relating to those cases set out in the table below.

Enforcement notices / S215 notices authorised in January 2015

Ref	Address	Case	Dates
14/8545	9 Newton	Unauthorised erection of a	Enforcement
	Drive	boundary treatment consisting	Notice
		of close boarded wooden	authorised
		fencing adjacent to highway,	13/01/2015
		namely Newton Drive and	
		Glenwood Street and between	
		Number 9 and 11 Newton	
		drive, exceeding one metre in	
		height	
14/8602	5 Keswick	Poor condition	Section 215
	Road		Notice
			authorised
			19/01/2015
13/8575	1 Linfield	Poor condition	Section 215
	Terrace		Notice
			authorised
			22/01/2015
14/8166	261	Poor condition	Section 215
	Promenade		Notice
			authorised
			19/01/2015
15/8061	1 Alexandra	Poor condition	Section 215
	Road		Notice
			authorised
			29/01/2015
14/8458	22 St. Bedes	Poor condition	Section 215
	Avenue		Notice
			authorised
			30/01/2015
14/8393	84 Reads	Breach of condition 4 on	Breach of
	Avenue	11/0404 re: erection of a	condition notice
		dwarf wall along the frontage	authorised
		of the premises at 84 Reads	19/01/2015
		Avenue	

Enforcement notices / S215 notices served in January 2015

Ref	Address	Case	Dates
12/8446	67 Ingleway Avenue	Unauthorised erection of a boundary treatment consisting of close boarded wooden fencing adjacent to the highway, namely Ingleway Avenue and Deneway Avenue, exceeding one metre in height	Enforcement notice issued 07/01/2015. Compliance due 18/04/2015 unless an appeal is lodged with the Planning Inspectorate by 18/02/2015
13/8576	7 Cookson Street	Poor condition	Section 215 notice issued 07/01/2015. Compliance due 13/05/2015 unless an appeal is lodged with the Magistrates Court by 13/02/2015
14/8429	30 Grafton Street	Unauthorised erection of a wooden framed bamboo fence with chicken wire, exceeding two metres in height	Enforcement notice issued 08/01/2015. Compliance due 23/04/2015 unless an appeal is lodged with the Planning Inspectorate by 23/02/2015
14/8162	3 Withnell Road	Poor condition	Section 215 notice issued 07/01/2015. Compliance due 24/05/2015 unless an appeal is lodged with the Magistrates Court by 24/02/2015
14/8374	86 Central Drive	Poor condition	Section 215 notice issued 12/01/2015. Compliance due 23/05/2015 unless an appeal is lodged with the Magistrates Court by 23/02/2015
14/8683	1A, 1B and 1C Reads Avenue	Poor condition	Section 215 notice issued 12/01/2015. Compliance due 23/05/2015 unless an appeal is lodged with the Magistrates Court by 23/02/2015

	List of Appendices: 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

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Background papers:

None

Does the information submitted include any exempt information?

No