

Report to:

PLANNING COMMITTEE

Relevant Officer:

Tim Coglan, Service Manager, Public Protection

Date of Meeting

22 January 2020

PLANNING ENFORCEMENT UPDATE – NOVEMBER 2019

1.0 Purpose of the report:

1.1 The Committee is requested to consider the summary of planning enforcement activity within Blackpool during November 2019.

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, 29 new cases were registered for investigation, compared to 21 received in November 2018.

5.1.2 Resolved cases

In November 2019, 19 cases were resolved by negotiation without recourse to formal action and 10 for November 2018.

5.1.3 Closed cases

In total, 62 cases were closed during the month (34 in November 2018). 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 2019 (none in November 2018);
- No s215 notices authorised in November 2019 (none in November 2018);
- No Breach of Condition Notices authorised in November 2019 (1 in November 2018);

- No enforcement notices served in November 2019 (1 in November 2018);
- No s215 notices served in November 2019 (none in November 2018);
- No Breach of Condition notices served in November 2019 (none in November 2018);
- No Community Protection Notices served in November 2019 (none in November 2018).

Does the information submitted include any exempt information? No

5.2 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

13.0 Background papers:

13.1 None