

**Report to:**

## **PLANNING COMMITTEE**

**Relevant Officer:**

Carl Carrington, Head of Planning [Quality and Control]

**Date of Meeting:**

27 February 2024

## **PLANNING ENFORCEMENT UPDATE – DECEMBER 2023**

### **1.0 Purpose of the report:**

1.1 The Committee is requested to consider the summary of Planning Enforcement activity within Blackpool, between 1 December 2023 and 31 December 2023.

### **2.0 Recommendation(s):**

2.1 To note the outcomes of the cases set out below and to support the actions of the Acting Head of Public Protection & Enforcement 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.

3.2 Is the recommendation contrary to a plan or strategy adopted or approved by the Council? No

3.3 Is the recommendation in accordance with the Council's approved budget? Yes

### **4.0 Other alternative options to be considered:**

4.1 Not applicable.

### **5.0 Council priority:**

5.1 The relevant Council priority is

- "The economy: Maximising growth and opportunity across Blackpool"
- "Communities: Creating stronger communities and increasing resilience"

### **6.0 Background information**

6.1 Cases

#### **New Cases**

In total, 18 new cases were registered for investigation in December 2023.

As at 31 December 2023 there were 302 “live” complaints outstanding.

### **Resolved cases**

7 cases were resolved by negotiation without recourse to formal action.

### **Closed cases**

24 cases were closed. These cases include those where there was no breach of planning control found, no action was appropriate, or where it was considered not expedient to take action.

### **Formal enforcement notices / s215 notices**

- One Enforcement Notice was authorised in December 2023;
- One s215 Notice was authorised in December 2023;
- One Enforcement Notice was issued in December 2023;
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### **Notice authorised**

<b>Ref</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Case</b>	<b>Dates</b>
23/8479	4 QUEEN STREET (FY1 1PD)	Without planning permission, the material change of use of the basement from part of a restaurant to a self-contained permanent flat.	EN authorised 12/12/2023.
21/8293	22 REPTON AVENUE (FY1 2RZ)	Poor condition of property.	S215 notice authorised 13/12/2023.

### **Notices issued**

<b>Ref</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Case</b>	<b>Dates</b>
23/8005	20 LONGTON ROAD (FY1 4HW)	Without planning permission, the removal of all stained and leaded wooden window frames and wooden door and door frame with the installation of modern upvc windows to the front elevation, door and door frame within a Conservation Area.	EN issued 14/12/2024 – compliance due by 22/04/2024 unless an appeal lodged at PINS by 22/01/2024.

22/8468	32 HEATHWAY AVENUE (FY3 8HE)	Poor condition of property	S215 issued 14/12/2024 – compliance due by 22/04/2024 unless an appeal lodged at Magistrate’s Court by 22/01/2024.
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6.2 Does the information submitted include any exempt information? No

**7.0 List of Appendices:**

7.1 None.

**8.0 Financial considerations:**

8.1 None.

**9.0 Legal considerations:**

9.1 None.

**10.0 Risk management considerations:**

10.1 None.

**11.0 Equalities considerations and the impact of this decision for our children and young people:**

11.1 None.

**12.0 Sustainability, climate change and environmental considerations:**

12.1 None.

**13.0 Internal/external consultation undertaken:**

13.1 None.

**14.0 Background papers:**

14.1 None.