

Report to:

PLANNING COMMITTEE

Relevant Officer:

Jennifer Clayton, Acting Head of Public Protection and Enforcement

Date of Meeting:

26 April 2023

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, between 1 February 2023 and 28 February 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 and 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 priorities are both 'The Economy: maximising growth and opportunity across Blackpool' and 'Communities: creating stronger communities and increasing resilience'.

6.0 Background information

6.1 Cases

New Cases

In total, 41 new cases were registered for investigation in February 2023.

As at 28 February 2023, there were 371 “live” complaints outstanding.

Resolved cases

In total, 21 cases were resolved by negotiation without recourse to formal action.

Closed cases

In total, 54 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 February 2023;
- One s215 notice was authorised in February 2023;
- One Enforcement Notice was issued in February 2023;
- No s215 notices were issued in February 2023.

Notices authorised

Ref	Address	Case	Dates
21/8451	463 Promenade (FY4 1AR)	Unauthorised erection of a front extension/sun lounge to facilitate an increase in the number of seating	Enforcement Notice authorised 15/02/2023
22/8309	65 Topping Street (FY1 3AF)	Poor external condition	S215 Notice authorised 02/02/2023

Notices issued

Ref	Address	Case	Dates
18/8122	271 Midgeland Road (FY4 5JA)	Unauthorised material change of use of a single storey outbuilding to a single private dwelling-house (known as 271A Midgeland Road)	Enforcement Notice issued 02/02/2023, appeal lodged 03/04/2023 – Council statement due by 15/05/2023

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:

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.