

Report to:	PLANNING COMMITTEE
Relevant Officer:	Carl Carrington - Head of Planning (Quality and Control)
Date of Meeting:	14 November 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 August 2023 and 31 August 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:

- "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, 40 new cases were registered for investigation in August 2023.

As at 31 August 2023, there were 326 "live" complaints outstanding.

Resolved cases

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

Closed cases

40 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

- Three Enforcement Notices were authorised in August 2023;
- No s215 notices were authorised in August 2023;
- No Enforcement Notices were issued in August 2023;
- One s215 notice was issued in August 2023.

Notices authorised

Ref	Address	Case	Dates
20/8471	8 Gynn Avenue (FY1 2LD)	Unauthorised material change of use from a guest-house to five self-contained permanent flats	Enforcement Notice authorised 31/08/2023
22/8539	69 Ribble Road (FY1 4AA)	Unauthorised material change of use from a single private dwelling-house, to a self-contained holiday let	Enforcement Notice authorised 31/08/2023
23/8147	34 Blairway Avenue (FY3 8LB)	Unauthorised material change of use from a single private dwelling-house (Use Class C3) to a residential care home for one young person aged 11-18 years (Use Class C2).	Enforcement Notice authorised 31/08/2023. Property now empty so EN not issued.

Notices issued

Ref	Address	Case	Dates
22/8254	4 Rigby Road (FY1 5DE)	Poor condition of property	S215 Notice issued 03/08/2023 – compliance due 07/11/2023

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 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.