

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 October 2023 and 31 October 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 October 2023.

As at 31 October 2023, there were 330 "live" complaints outstanding.

Resolved cases

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

Closed cases

31 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

- Four Enforcement Notices were authorised in October 2023;
- No s215 Notices were authorised in October 2023;
- Three Enforcement Notices were issued in October 2023;
- No s215 Notices were issued in October 2023.

Notices authorised

Ref	Address	Case	Dates
20/8183	149 Dickson Road (FY1 2EU)	Unauthorised use for residential purposes	Enforcement Notice authorised 26/10/2023
22/8252	51 Bond Street (FY4 1BW)	Unauthorised use as a self-contained holiday let	Enforcement Notice authorised 16/10/2023
22/8253	53 Bond Street (FY4 1BW)	Unauthorised use as a self-contained holiday let	Enforcement Notice authorised 18/10/2023
22/8298	56 Maplewood Drive (FY5 1PW)	Unauthorised erection of a car port and first floor balcony	Enforcement Notice authorised 16/10/2023

Notices issued

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 issued 19/10/2023 – compliance due by 29/02/2023 unless an appeal lodged by 30/11/2023

22/8114	132 Hornby Road (FY1 4QS)	Unauthorised creation of a roof-lift at second floor, removal of the front dormer and removal of stonework features and windows to front elevation	Enforcement Notice issued 19/10/2023 – compliance due by 29/02/2023 unless an appeal lodged by 30/11/2023
22/8409	18 Watson Road (FY4 1EG)	Unauthorised material change of use from a single private dwelling-house, to a self-contained holiday let	Enforcement Notice issued 09/10/2023 – compliance due by 17/12/2023 unless an appeal lodged by 17/11/2023

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.