



STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE

Monday, 8 March 2021

PLANNING ENFORCEMENT REPORT

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

To provide information on the performance of the enforcement section

Is the report Open or Exempt?	Open
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Wards Affected:	All
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Cabinet Member:	Councillor David Ritchie Cabinet Member with responsibility for Planning and Coastal Management
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Supporting Officer:	Cate Buck Senior Enforcement Officer Cate.buck@eastsoffolk.gov.uk
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1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 Following the adoption of the new Local Enforcement Plan in March 2019 and the formation of the new East Suffolk Council section it was decided that a report be presented on a quarterly basis from August 2019.
- 1.2 Between October and December 2020, no Enforcement Notices were served. Both the enforcement team and development management team have maintained enforcement work during the Covid-19 pandemic and continued to actively deal with matters in accordance with the Council's adopted Enforcement Plan. Site visits have continued in a covid secure manner but the department has been righty and properly assessing all cases in light of difficulties during covid to ensure compliance and considering appropriate timescales where appropriate.

Cases Received and Closed October to December 2020

Month	Cases Received	Cases Closed
October	37	41
November	53	48
December	36	29

*Please note all new complaints are logged, site visited and then triaged in accord with the appropriate risk assessment.

Reasons for Closure

Reason	October	November	December
No Breach	16	14	16
Compliance/use ceased	17	17	7
Planning Permission Granted	6	11	3
Permitted Development	0	0	0
Immune/Lawful	0	0	0
Duplicate file	0	0	0
Withdrawn	0	1	0
Not Expedient	2	5	3

Time taken to close cases

Time taken to close cases	Cases Closed in October	Cases Closed in November	Cases Closed in December
1-10 days	7	7	1
11-20 days	6	6	10
21-30 days	2	1	2

31-40 days	5	2	1
41 + Days	21	32	15
Total	41	48	29

Enforcement Notices Served October to December 2020

Type of Notice	Address	Breach	Compliance period
NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL

2 REASON FOR RECOMMENDATION

2.1 This report is for information only.

RECOMMENDATION

That the report concerning Enforcement Team statistics be received.

APPENDICES – None

BACKGROUND PAPERS – None