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Portsmouth
CITY COUNCIL

Title of meeting: Planning Committee
Subject: Planning Enforcement
Date of meeting: 12th December 2018
Report by: Claire Upton-Brown, Assistant Director of City
Development
Wards affected: All

1. **Requested by** - the Planning Committee on 14 November 2018.

2. **Purpose**

2.1 Following consideration for a report to Planning Regeneration and Economic Development (PRED) portfolio that agreed a Local Enforcement Policy it was agreed at the last Planning Committee that there would be a monthly update report on work within the Enforcement team. The purpose of the report is to update the Planning Committee on the work within the Enforcement team covering the month of November. The report is for information only and members are encouraged to discuss specific cases outside of this meeting.

3. **Recommendation**

3.1 This report is for noting.

4. **Information Requested**

4.1 In November, Planning Enforcement received **87** enquiries in total. This includes circular emails and additions to email chains regarding already known issues.

4.2 From the enquiries it was established that there are **43** cases in which breaches of planning control may have occurred.

4.3 Of these 43 cases, **29** were resolved before they needed to be officially opened. This was due to:

- 3 PLAREG application submissions,
- 6 breaches solved without formal action (through negotiations),
- 1 Not planning related (forwarded to other departments after investigation)
- 18 No breach found after investigation
- 1 Not expedient to pursue

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4.4 The remaining 13 cases were deemed serious enough to formally open a file.
These cases were:

- 12 Unauthorised developments
- 1 Unauthorised development in a conservation area

Of these cases, 4 were located in the Drayton & Farlington ward, Hilsea, Milton and Baffins had 2, and Central Southsea, Paulsgrove, St. Jude and Eastney and Craneswater had 1.

4.5 **Enforcement Notices** were served in November.
In general:

- We currently have **65 open cases** that are under investigation.
- 6 enforcement notices have been served or are ready to be served at the time of writing
- 7 PCNs have been served or are ready to be served
- 3 Section 215 notices have been drafted and are ready to be served should the land owners not take action.

If members wish to discuss the details of a specific case, please do not hesitate to contact planning enforcement on planningenforcement@portsmouthcc.gov.uk.

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Signed by (Director)

Appendices:

Background list of documents: Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972

The following documents disclose facts or matters, which have been relied upon to a material extent by the author in preparing this report:

Title of document	Location