
Meeting: Development Management Committee

Date: 19th August 2015

Subject: Development Management Performance Statistics

Report of: Development Infrastructure Group Manager

Summary: The report provides a bi-annual update of Development Management Performance

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Pubic/Exempt: Public

Wards Affected: All

Function of: Council

CORPORATE IMPLICATIONS

Council Priorities:

This is an information report for noting Development Control Performance Statistics

Financial:

1. None

Legal:

2. None.

Risk Management:

3. None

Staffing (including Trades Unions):

4. Not Applicable.

Equalities/Human Rights:

5. None

Public Health:

6. None

Community Safety:

7. Not Applicable.

Sustainability:

8. Not Applicable.

Procurement:

9. Not applicable.

RECOMMENDATION(S):**The Committee is asked to:**

- 1. To receive a six monthly update of Development Control Performance Statistics at Appendix A.**

Background

- 10.** There has been a 5.1% increase in the number of applications received from October 2014 to March 2015 compared with same period last year. (Note: Lawful Development Certifications and Notifications i.e. Electricity Board are removed from the October 2013 to March 2014 data to enable comparison).
- 11.** There has been a 45% increase in Major applications received in Year 2014/15 compared to Year 2013/14; a 7% increase in Minor applications and 4% decrease in Other category applications.
- 12.** The number of validated major applications has increased from 40 (October 2013 to March 2014) to 57 (October 2014 to March 2015) which is an increase of 42%.
- 13.** There has been a decline in the percentage of major applications determined within 13 week target time from 62% in October to March 14 to 47% in October to March 2015. Taking into account the way the Government has changed the way they collect data 22 of the applications had Planning Performance Agreements or Extension of Time agreements and of those 15 were determined within the agreed timeframe. Therefore 75% of Major applications were determined within the agreed time between October and December 2015.
- 14.** There has been a decrease in performance in the minor application category from 88% in October to March 2014 to 77% in October to March 2015. The Government target time is 65% and CBC's target is 75%.

15. The other application category has also seen a decrease in performance from 95% in October to March 2014 to 91% to October to March 2015. The Government target time is 80% and CBC's target is 90%.
16. Planning Performance Agreements and Pre-application advice;

16 new Planning Performance Agreements were received into in Year 2014/15 (April 2014 and March 2015).

There were 12 Planning Performance Agreements received in Year 2013/14.

Charging for householders' pre-application advice commenced in April 2013 – 141 advice requests validated in 2013/14 and 137 requests validated in 2014/15.
17. Permitted Development rights for Larger home extensions and Prior Approval for Changes of Uses came into force on 30 May 2013.

The Council has received an increase in volume of these types of applications.

60 Permitted Development and 46 Prior approval applications registered 30 May to 31 March 2014.

97 Permitted Development and 53 Prior approval applications registered 1 April 2014 to 31 March 2015.
18. The number of applications to be determined at the end of the six month period has seen a very small increase from 436 (October to March 2014) compared to 443 (October to March 2015).
19. The volume of appeals determined has increased from 65 in Year 2013/14 to 71 in Year 2014/15. There were 16 granted on appeal in Year 2013/14 and 20 in Year 2014/15. 2 of those granted on appeal in Year 2014/15 were overturns by planning committee against officers recommendation.
20. The latest annual published data (April 2014 to March 2015) indicates that CBC are 2% above England average for the determination of Major applications in a timely manner, 13% above for Minor applications and 12% above for Other applications.

Appendices:

Appendix A – Development Control Performance
