

Planning Committee

Quarterly Enforcement Report

8 September

Report of Strategic Director Planning, Housing and Economy

PURPOSE OF REPORT

To inform and update Members of the progress of outstanding formal enforcement cases.

This report is public

Recommendations

The Planning Committee is recommended to:

- (1) Accept this report.

Details

Background

- 1.1 The last quarterly report was given to this Committee on 19 May 2011, and this report continues the regular reporting on enforcement matters in this format which commenced in October 2008.

The Current Situation

- 2.1 Appendix One provides a comprehensive history of those cases which have progressed to formal action of one type or another.
- 2.2 Members should note that there has been a change in personnel dealing with enforcement matters. Bruce Acton (extension 1819) has temporarily taken over as the Senior Officer involved in enforcement matters. Following the retirement of Linda Burke the planning investigator's role is now being filled by Laura Baker (extension 1825)

Implications

Financial: It is anticipated that the cost of taking enforcement action can be met within existing budgets. The cost implications with regards to action at Heyford Park will be addressed in a future report.

Comments checked by Eric Meadows, Service Accountant 01295 221556

Legal: There are no additional legal implications arising for the Council from this report.

Comments checked by Nigel Bell Team Leader – Planning and Litigation 01295 221687.

Risk Management: Where it is relevant to do so the risk of taking formal enforcement action is that costs could be awarded against the Council in any appeal that precedes to an inquiry or hearing if this action is subsequently considered to have been unreasonable. The risk of not taking effective and timely action is that a complaint could be made by a complainant to the Local Enforcement Ombudsman.

Comments checked by Claire Taylor, Community and Corporate Planning Manager 01295 221563.

Wards Affected

All

Document Information

Appendix No	Title
Appendix One	Enforcement and Prosecution Quarterly Report
Background Papers	
None	
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