Report on Open Enforcement Cases

Purpose of the Report

To inform members of the current situation regarding the enforcement caseload.

Recommendations

- That the report be received
- That a further update be provided alongside the next quarterly monitoring report on cases where enforcement action has been authorised.

Background

In accordance with previous Committee decisions, the format of this report shows existing and previous enforcement cases. The Table included in this report shows the total number of outstanding cases in one format (shown below).

In the last quarter (October to December 2018) a further 53 new cases have been reported, marginally more than the previous quarter (52). The current number of open cases is 280. The number of open cases has slightly increased in this quarter given that in the last quarter it was 275.

A number of the cases have associated pending planning applications that are awaiting determination (8 as at 09 January 2019).

Conclusions

It remains inevitable that some cases in the 'backlog' will remain open for some time because of their complexity.

Progress continues to be made in tackling older cases and there is still a significant body of work being undertaken behind the scenes.

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