

Report of:	Meeting	Date
Councillor Paul Moon Chairman of the Planning Committee	Council	9 January 2020

<b>Planning Committee: Periodic Report</b>
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## 1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1** To enable myself as Chairman of Planning Committee to inform the Council of the current position on issues being dealt with by the Planning Committee.

## 2. Applications Determined by the Planning Committee

- 2.1** Between 1 April 2018 and 30 November 2019, a total of 2,053 applications and enquiries have been dealt with/determined, 1,574 of which were planning applications. This does not include 245 applications determined for the discharge of conditions.
- 2.2** Whilst most planning applications are decided under delegated powers, applications of strategic or local significance or which are or most likely to be controversial are brought to the Planning Committee for a decision as well as those which have been subject to a request in accordance with the Council's Scheme of Delegation. Over the period from 1 April 2018 to 30 November 2019, the Planning Committee have considered 47 planning applications (just under 3%). 97% of all applications have been decided under delegated powers.
- 2.3** Of the 47 applications considered by the Planning Committee, 39 (83%) were subject to a member request under the provisions of the Scheme of Delegation, although some of these would have been brought to the Committee in any event due to their strategic nature or by reason of their planning history. Of all applications determined by the Planning Committee, 31 were granted planning permission and 10 were refused (or minded to refuse) and 6 were deferred or withdrawn. 9 (19%) were decided contrary to the recommendation of the Head of Planning Services. This has risen from 11% during the previous period. All 9 were refused contrary to recommendation.

### 3. Appeals

**3.1** Between 1 April 2018 and 30 November 2019, a total of 42 appeals were lodged and 40 appeals decided. Of the 40 decided, 8 (20%) have been allowed. Prior to the adoption of the Local Plan in February 2019, 5 appeals out of 18 decided (27%) had been allowed. Since the adoption of the Local Plan only 3 appeals out of 22 decided (13%) have been allowed.

**3.2** Between 1 April 2018 and 30 November 2019, of the 9 applications refused by the Planning Committee contrary to officer recommendation 7 were subject to appeals. One was not appealed and one resulted in a resubmitted application which was subsequently approved by the Planning Committee. Of those appeals 2 were withdrawn after resubmitted applications were subsequently approved by the Planning Committee, 1 was allowed (i.e. permission granted) 3 were dismissed (i.e. permission refused) and 1 is pending. There was no appeal in respect of the one application refused by the Planning Committee in accordance with officer recommendation. For details of the appeal cases see table below:

Application Ref. No.	Proposed development	Appeal decision
17/00933/OUTMAJ	Outline application for up to 11 new residential dwellings with access applied for, land off Cart Gate, Preesall	Dismissed
17/00320/FULMAJ	Erection of 17 houses and associated works, land off Ormerod Street, Thornton Cleveleys	Dismissed
18/00008/FUL	Erection of two-storey restaurant with associated drive thru (Class A3/A5), Morrisons Supermarket Car Park, Amounderness Way, Thornton Cleveleys	Allowed
18/00643/OUTMAJ	Outline application for the erection of a 48 bedroom nursing home (Use Class C2), 29-31 Coronation Road, Thornton Cleveleys.	Dismissed
18/00734/FULMAJ	Erection of 39 affordable residential dwellings with associated infrastructure, off Rosslyn Avenue, Preesall	Withdrawn
19/00007/FULMAJ	Variation of condition 2 (approved Plans) on application 16/00550/FULMAJ to allow for full demolition of existing building and the erection of a three storey building to provide pprox.. 1400sqm (gross) of retail floor space (Class A1) and 18 residential apartments with new and re-configured car parking. Former Garstang Business and Community Centre, High Street, Garstang	Withdrawn
18/00680/OULMAJ	Variation of condition 03 (affordable housing) on application 16/01043/OULMAJ, Land Off Holts Lane Poulton-le-Fylde	Pending

### 4. Member Training

**4.1** The Head of Planning Services delivered 'An Introduction to Planning' to all members on 4 June and a more detailed presentation on 'Procedures at Planning Committee' for members of the Planning Committee on 5

June. On 4 December there was a training session for members of the Planning Committee on 'Flood Risk and Surface Water Management' delivered by the Head of Planning Services and a Senior Drainage Engineer. A further training session on Highways matters is to be given in the new year by the Head of Planning Services and a senior Highways officer from Lancashire County Council.

## **5. Comments and questions**

- 5.1** In accordance with Procedure Rule 11.3, any Member of Council will be able to ask me a question or make a comment on the contents of my report or any issue, which falls within my area of responsibility. I will respond to any such questions or comments in accordance with Procedure Rules 11.5.

### **List of Appendices**

None

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