



INFORMATION ITEM

REPORT OF	MEETING	DATE	ITEM NO
HEAD OF PLANNING	PLANNING COMMITTEE	1 MARCH 2023	5
REPORT OF FINDINGS OF CASE INVESTIGATION BY LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND SOCIAL CARE OMBUDSMAN			

PUBLIC ITEM

This item is for consideration in the public part of the meeting.

SUMMARY OF INFORMATION

The Local Government and Social Care Ombudsman had received a complaint about the Council's decision to approve a neighbour's planning application. The Ombudsman found fault because the Council did not have a copy of its planning case officer's report. The ombudsman completed their investigation because the Council agreed to the remedy suggested by the Council.

SOURCE OF INFORMATION

Local Government and Social Care Ombudsman www.lgo.org.uk

Tracy Manning – Deputy Chief Executive

INFORMATION

Final decision notice for case reference 22007838 is attached.

In addition to presenting this item for Committee's information, the Ombudsman's letter advises that an apology should be offered to the neighbour and that a replacement report on the planning application for the neighbour's extension should be prepared to document that decision, with this placed on the relevant application file as a public record. The report was added to the online application file on 9 February 2023 and the apology letter sent on 10 February 2023.

WHY IS THIS INFORMATION BEING GIVEN TO THE COMMITTEE?

One of the agreed actions was for the Council to report what has happened at its next scheduled meeting of the Planning Committee.

FURTHER INFORMATION

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