

INFORMATION ITEM



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DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DIRECTORATE	DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE	18 JANUARY 2017	12
PLANNING APPEALS			

PUBLIC ITEM

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

SUMMARY OF INFORMATION

An examination of appeal decisions has been carried out for the period from 1 October 2015 to 30 September 2016. During this 12 month period, 21 appeals were determined which was similar to the previous period. Of those appeals that progressed to a decision, 81% were dismissed which compares very favourably with the England average of 68%¹ and was similar to the previous period (82%). The limited number of public inquiries held during the period will have reduced the demand on Council resources compared to previous years.

SOURCE OF INFORMATION

Head of Planning & Regeneration from information held on Acolaid, the Service's computerised records system.

LINK TO INFORMATION

[Break down of appeals determined between 1 October 2015 and 30 September 2016](#)

WHY IS THIS INFORMATION BEING GIVEN TO THE COMMITTEE?

The Policy Development Scrutiny Committee considered a report on 9th October 2014 outlining the background to planning appeals, an assessment of the appeal decisions over the previous 2 year period and the policy on reducing the number and cost of those appeals. The committee resolution included that the success rate in defending planning appeals continued to be monitored, with a similar monitoring report to be brought to the Development Management Committee annually. Poor appeal performance may also result in a local planning authority being placed under "special measures" and so it is important to monitor appeal results in order to gauge the quality of planning decisions that have been made.

FURTHER INFORMATION

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¹ 12 months to October 2016