



INFORMATION ITEM

REPORT OF	MEETING	DATE	ITEM NO
DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DIRECTORATE	PLANNING COMMITTEE	8 NOVEMBER 2017	6
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 2016 to 30 September 2017. During this 12 month period, 26 appeals were determined which was slightly higher than the previous 12 month period (21 appeals). Of those appeals that progressed to a decision, 58% were dismissed which is below the England average of 67% and below the previous period (81%). The majority of the allowed appeals (9 of the 10 appeals allowed) related to proposals for residential development. As with the previous 12 month period, a limited number of public inquiries were held during the period (2), which will have reduced the demand on Council resources compared to previous years.

SOURCE OF INFORMATION

Head of Planning & Regeneration from information held on Accolaid, the Service's computerised records System & PINS Table 2.4

LINK TO INFORMATION

Breakdown of planning appeal decisions received between 1 October 2016 and 30 September 2017 attached.

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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