PLANNING APPLICATIONS COMMITTEE 22 AUGUST 2019

Planning Enforcement - Summary of Current Cases

Wards: All

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Recommendation: That Members note the contents of the report.

1. Purpose of report and executive summary

This report details a summary of casework being dealt with by the Planning Enforcement Team and contains figures of the number of different types of cases being progressed, with brief summaries of all new enforcement notices and the progress of all enforcement appeals.

Current Enforcement Cases:	950	1(932)	New Appeals: (0)	(1)
New Complaints	43	(38)	Instructions to Legal 0	((0)
Cases Closed	25		Existing Appeals 2	(1)
No Breach:	22				
Breach Ceased:	3				
NFA ² (see below):	0		TREE ISSUES		
Total	25	(27)	Tree Applications Received	62	(57)
New Enforcement Notices Issued Breach of Condition Notice: New Enforcement Notice issued S.215:3 Others (PCN, TSN) Total	0 0 0 1 0	(0) (1) (0)	% Determined within time limits: High Hedges Complaint New Tree Preservation Orders (TPO Tree Replacement Notice Tree/High Hedge Appeal	0	% (1) (2) (0)
Prosecutions: (instructed)	0	(0)			

Note (*figures are for the period from 9th July 2019 to 9th August 2019*). The figure for current enforcement cases was taken directly from M3 crystal report.

¹ Totals in brackets are previous month's figures

² confirmed breach but not expedient to take further action.

³ S215 Notice: Land Adversely Affecting Amenity of Neighbourhood.

2.0 New Enforcement Actions

183A Streatham Road CR4 2AG. An Enforcement Notice was issued on 1st May 2019 relating to the erection of a rear balcony to the existing rear roof dormer of the property. The Notice requires demolishing the rear balcony to the existing rear roof dormer and restoring the property to that prior to the breach. The Notice would have taken effect on 4th June 2019, with a compliance period of 2 months if no appeal is made. An appeal has now been lodged with the Planning Inspectorate.

74 Beeleigh Road, Morden, SM4 5JW. An Enforcement Notice was issued on the property on 17th December 2018 for 'Without planning permission the erection of a single story front extension. The notice requires the owner to demolish the front extension; and will take effect on 21st January 2019 with a compliance period of four months of this date unless an appeal is made. An appeal was made under ground (A) That Planning Permission should be granted. The Council's statement has been submitted.

The former laundry site, 1 Caxton Road, Wimbledon SW19 8SJ. Planning Permission was granted for 9 flats, with 609square metres of (Class B1) office units. 22 flats have been created. Instructions have been sent to legal services for the service of a planning enforcement requiring either the demolition of the development or build to the approved scheme. The Planning Enforcement Notice was issued on 11th October 2018. The Notice will take effect on 18th November 2018 with a compliance period of 12 calendar months, unless an appeal is made to the Planning Inspectorate before 18th November 2018. An appeal was made but withdrawn the following day.

Some Recent Enforcement Actions

Burn Bullock, 315 London Road, Mitcham CR4.

A Listed Buildings Repair Notice (LBRN) was issued in August 2014 to require a schedule of works to be carried out for the preservation of the Building which is listed. Listed Building Consent was granted in March 2015 to cover the required works which include the roof, rainwater goods, masonry, chimney render repairs, woodwork, and glazing. An inspection of the building in April 2016 concluded that the required works had been carried out to an acceptable standard.

At a site visit in 2017 it was observed that there is a new ingression of water from the roof. This was pointed out to the owner asking for immediate action. Repairs were made and inspected by the case officer and conservation officer in 2018 who have concluded that the works are satisfactory.

1 Cambridge Road, Mitcham, CR4 1DW. The council issued a S215 notice on 21st August 2017 to require the following steps to trim and cut back overgrown bushes from the front and rear gardens, tidy the site, clean, repair and paint the front windows and repaint the front of the proper. The notice took effect on the 21st September 2017. Due to the time that has elapsed since the issuing of the Notice a new Notice was issued and served on 13th November 2018 giving 28 days in which to comply with the Notice. To date the Notice has not been complied and direct action is now under consideration.

399 Hillcross Avenue, Morden, SM5 4BY

The Council served an enforcement notice on the 14th May 2019 to require the

following steps; - revert the property to a single dwelling; and to remove from the land all materials and debris resulting from the compliance. The property has been changed from a dwellinghouse into four separate flats without planning permission. The compliance date is the 24th September 2019.

This property has already complied with the enforcement notice and has been restored back to a single dwelling house. The case has now been closed.

7 Streatham Road, Mitcham, CR4 2AD

The Council served two enforcement notices on 6th June 2019, requiring the outbuilding to be demolished and to clear debris and all other related materials. The second enforcement notice is for an unauthorised front, side and rear (adjacent to Graham Road) dormer roof extensions. An appeal was lost for the dormers to be considered permitted development, the notice requires the owner to demolish the unauthorised front, side and rear roof dormer extensions (adjacent to Graham Road) and to clear debris and all other related materials. Both Notices come into effect on 8th July 2019 unless appeals are made before this date. To date no appeal has been lodged.

3.0 New Enforcement Appeals - 0

Existing enforcement appeals - 2

Appeals determined – 1

22 St George's Road, Mitcham, CR4 1EB. The council issued an Enforcement Notice on the 7 May 2018 for 'erection of high fence and patio at the property. The notice requires removal of the fencing and decking from the Property and will take effect on 14th June 2018 with a compliance period of one month of this date unless an appeal is made. The Appeal has now been determined. With the outcome that the decking was considered to be Permitted Development, but the fencing has to be reduced in height or removed. The fencing has now been reduced as required and the Enforcement Notice has now been complied with.

- 3.1 Requested update from PAC None
- 4. Consultation undertaken or proposed None required for purposes of this report
- 5 Timetable N/A
- 6. Financial, resource and property implications N/A
- 7. Legal and statutory implications N/A
- 8. Human rights, equalities and community cohesion implications N/A
- 9. Crime and disorder implications N/A
- 10. Risk Management and Health and Safety implications. N/A
- 11. Appendices the following documents are to be published with this report and form part of the report Background Papers N/A
- 12. Background Papers N/A

