

**PLANNING
COMMITTEE**

Date: 15th January 2014

ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITY – TWELVE MONTH UPDATE

This report provides information in relation to statistics showing enforcement activity for the previous twelve months.

Recommendation

**The Committee is asked to RESOLVE that
the information be noted.**

Financial, Legal, Policy, Risk and Climate Change Implications

Financial

There are no direct financial implications in the reports.

Legal

Legal implications are as detailed in the reports and as set out in the following Acts (as amended):-

Town and Country Planning Act 1990.
Planning and Compensation Act 1991.
Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004.
Town and Country Planning (Control of Advertisements) Regulations 2007.
Anti-Social Behaviour Act 2003.
Human Rights Act 1998.
Crime and Disorder Act 1998.

Policy

Policy implications are as detailed in individual reports, the Council's Planning Enforcement Policy, the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) and as set out in the Borough of Redditch Local Plan No. 3.

Discussion

Planning Committee has asked that detailed information is provided with regard to notable cases of concern and enforcement activity in general.

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The following cases are of particular note during this period:

a) Pikes Field, The Saltway, Astwood Bank, Redditch

This relates to the change of use of the land from agriculture to mixed use of agriculture and residential purposes and the stationing of a static caravan on the land.

An Enforcement Notice was issued on 22nd February 2013 with a compliance period expiring 8th July 2013 requiring the cessation of the agricultural use and removal of the static caravan. The land was subject to a further planning application which was subsequently refused on 15th May 2013. That decision has been appealed and a formal hearing is scheduled for 14th January 2014.

The Enforcement Notice is currently held in abeyance pending the outcome of the appeal.

b) Evesham Road, Headless Cross, Redditch

A tree surgeon was given a formal caution after admitting carrying out unauthorised works to a protected tree to its severe detriment.

The report contains the following appendix:

Appendix 1 Review of enforcement activity for the period January to December 2013

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