

Update on Development Management & Enforcement Statistics: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Period 01 April 2018 – 31 July 2018 	22 August 2018
Planning Committee	

Linkage to Council Strategy (2015-19)	
Strategic Theme	Protecting and Enhancing our Environments and Assets
Outcome	Pro-active decision making which protects the natural features, characteristics and integrity of the Borough
Lead Officer	Head of Planning
Cost: (If applicable)	N/A

FOR NOTING

1.0 Background

The "Protocol for the Operation of the Planning Committee" sets out the requirement to provide monthly updates on the number of planning applications received and decided.

2.0 Details

2.1 [Website link 1](#) and [Website Link 2](#) provide a list of planning applications received and decided respectively by Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council in the month of July 2018. Please note that Pre-Application Discussions; Certificates of Lawful Development – Proposed or Existing; Discharge of Conditions and Non-Material Changes, have to be excluded from the reports to correspond with official validated statistics published by DFI.

2.2 Table 1 below details the number of Major planning applications received and decided as well as the average processing times. Please note that these figures are unvalidated statistics. In the month of June, no major planning applications were received. 4 Major planning applications have been received for the first quarter of 2018/19 compared to 2 for this period last year.

Table 1

Major applications (target of 30 weeks)				
	Number received	Number decided/ withdrawn	Average processing time	% of cases processed within 30 weeks
April	1	0	-	-
May	3	0		
June	0	1	357	
Year to date	4	1	357	0%

Source: Unvalidated Statistics.

- 2.3** Table 2 below details the number of Local planning applications received and decided as well as the average processing times. Please note these figures are unvalidated statistics. In comparison to the same period last year, the number of applications received for the first quarter has decreased by 50 applications. However, the number of decisions issued has increased by 59 applications when compared to this period last year.

Table 2

Local applications (target of 15 weeks)				
	Number received	Number decided/ withdrawn¹	Average processing time²	% of cases processed within 15 weeks
April	93	77	30.6	22.1%
May	113	126	22.2	37.3%
June	86	109	19.2	37.6
Year to date	292	312	23.7	33.7%

Source: Unvalidated Statistics; Excludes: Pre-Application Discussions; Proposal of Application Notices; Certificate of Lawful Development Proposed or Existing; Discharge of Conditions; Non-Material Change.

- 2.4** Table 3 below details the number of Enforcement case opened and concluded as well as the average processing times in Q1 of 2018/19. Please note these figures are unvalidated statistics. Although the number of enforcement cases opened in Q1 of this year was 10 less than the same period last year, the number of cases brought to conclusion increased by 24% (98 concluded in Q1 2018/19 compared to 79 in Q1 2017/18).

Table 3

Enforcement Cases Concluded (target of 39 weeks)				
	Number opened	Number brought to conclusion	70% conclusion time	% of cases concluded within 39 weeks
April	18	38	31.2	86.8%
May	24	30	34.4	80.0%
June	29	30	30.4	93.3%
Year to date	71	98	33.2	86.7%

Source: Unvalidated Statistics

- 2.6** Resources continue to be targeted to reduce the over 12 month applications. Table 4 below provides a further breakdown of the over 12 month applications in the

system and also the percentage of over 12 months applications in relation to the number of live planning applications. The weekly monitoring of these figures continues and staff are conscious of the need to prioritise their efforts in this area of work.

Table 4 Breakdown of over 12 month applications (April - July 2018)

Applications	End Q4 17/18	End Q1 18/19	July 2018
12-18 months	71	85	86
18-24 months	18	24	31
>24 months	28	26	28
Total	117	135	145
Live Applications	806	782	802
% of Live Applications over 12 months	14.52%	17.26%	18.08%

Source: Unvalidated Statistics; Excludes: Pre-Application Discussions; Certificate of Lawful Development Proposed or Existing; Discharge of Conditions; Non-Material Change.

- 2.7 Table 5 below details the number of appeal decisions issued since 1 April 2018. Please note that these figures relating to planning application decisions only are unvalidated statistics extracted from internal management reports.

Table 5 Appeals to the Planning Appeals Commission (PAC)

Appeal Decisions	April 2018	May 2018	June 2018	July 2018
Upheld	0	2	2	0
Dismissed	0	0	0	0
Cumulative Total Appeal Decisions	0	2	2	4

Source: Unvalidated Statistics

- 2.8 Table 6 details the number of referral requests received from Elected Members and Head of Planning under Part B of the Scheme of Delegation. From April 2018 until June 2018, 12 referral recommendations were determined by the Planning Committee, 33.33% of which have been overturned.

Table 6. Referrals Requested in April – July 2018

Referral Request	Requestor	Application Ref	Date of Planning Committee	Planning Officer Recommendation Agreed/Disagree
Q1	Cllr A Callan	LA01/2017/1270/O		
	Cllr A Robinson	LA01/2017/1436/O	23/05/2018	Disagree
	Cllr B Chivers	LA01/2017/1348/F		
	Cllr A McLean	LA01/2017/0345/F		
	Cllr M Fielding	LA01/2017/1534/O	27/06/2018	Defer
	Cllr M Fielding	LA01/2017/1562/F		
	Cllr M Fielding	LA01/2018/0038/F		
	Cllr A McLean	LA01/2017/1183/F	27/06/2018	
	Cllr A Callan	LA01/2017/1033/F		
	Cllr M Fielding	LA01/2018/0070/F		
	Cllr A McLean	LA01/2017/0016/F	27/06/2018	Defer
	Cllr B Douglas	LA01/2017/1233/F	27/06/2018	Defer
	Cllr N Hillis	LA01/2015/0459F	27/06/2018	Defer
	Cllr B Chivers	LA01/2017/1599/F		
	Cllr A Robinson	LA01/2017/0625/F		
	Cllr K Mulholland	LA01/2017/1001/F		
	Cllr C McShane	LA01/2017/1492/F		
	Ald A Robinson	LA01/2018/0162/O		
	Ald A Robinson	LA01/2017/1605/O		
	Cllr S Quigley	LA01/2017/1580/O		
	Ald A Robinson	LA01/2017/1449/O		
	Ald A Robinson	LA01/2017/1178/F		
Q2	Cllr Loftus	LA01/2016/1370/O		
	Cllr Fielding	LA01/2017/0555/F		
	Cllr Douglas	L.A01/2017/0664/O		
TOTAL	25			

2.9 Table 7 details the number of referral requests outstanding from pre April 2018 that are requested to be presented to the Planning Committee.

Table 7 Outstanding Referrals Requested pre April 2018

Referral Request	Requestor	Application Ref	Date of Planning Committee	Planning Officer Recommendation Agreed/Disagree
	Cllr J Deighan	LA01/2016/0937/F		
	Cllr M Fielding	LA01/2016/1220/F		
	Ald A Robinson	LA01/2017/0591/F		
	Cllr K Mulholland	LA01/2017/0354/F		
	Cllr B Chivers	LA01/2017/0979/F		

	Cllr B Chivers	LA01/2015/0919/F		
	Cllr B Chivers	LA01/2017/0833/A	23/05/2018	Defer
	Cllr A McLean	LA01/2015/0345/F		
	Cllr B Chivers	LA01/2017/1348/F		
	Cllr M Knight-McQuillan	LA01/2016/1072/F	23/05/2018	Defer
	Cllr O Beattie	LA01/2017/1129/O		
	Cllr B Chivers	LA01/2017/1522/O		
	Cllr N Hillis	LA01/2017/0641/F	27/06/2018	Defer
TOTAL	13			

Source: Unvalidated Statistics

3.0 Recommendation

3.1 **IT IS RECOMMENDED** that the Planning Committee note the update on the development management statistics.