

Update on Development Management & Enforcement Statistics: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Period 01 April 2018 – 30 September 2018 	24 October 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	Denise Dickson
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 August 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 comparison to the same period last year, the number of major applications received has increased by 2.

Table 1

Major applications (target of 30 weeks)				
	Number received	Number decided/ withdrawn	Average processing time	% of cases processed within 30 weeks
April - June (Q1)	4	1	357	
July	1	1	45.8	
August	2	2		
Year to date	7	4		

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 decisions issued has increased by 28. Of note is that staff have issued the same number of decisions as applications received.

Table 2

Local applications (target of 15 weeks)				
	Number received	Number decided/ withdrawn¹	Average processing time²	% of cases processed within 15 weeks
April – June (Q1)	297	312	23.7	33.7%
July	104	95	23.6	35.8%
August	96	90		
Year to date	497	497		

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. Please note these figures are unvalidated statistics. In comparison to the same period last year, the number of cases brought to conclusion has increased by 40.

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 – June (Q1)	71	99	33.2	86.7%
July	32	34	46.5	67.6%
August				
Year to date	132	163		

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 in line with the Over 12 Month Action Plan and staff are conscious of the need to prioritise their efforts in this area of work. The aim is for progress to be evident in this area by Q3.

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

Applications	End Q4 17/18	End Q1 18/19	July 2018	Aug 2018	End Q2 18/19
12-18 months	71	85	86	88	92
18-24 months	18	24	31	37	32
>24 months	28	26	28	27	28
Total	117	135	145	152	152
Live Applications	806	782	802	800	764
% of Live Applications over 12 months	14.52%	17.26%	18.08%	19%	19.9%

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	Q1 17/18	Q2 17/18
Upheld	4	0
Dismissed	0	4
Cumulative Total Appeal Decisions		8

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 September 2018, 23 referral recommendations were determined by the Planning Committee, 39.13% of which have been overturned.

Table 6. Referrals Requested in April – September 2018

Referral Request	Requestor	Application Ref	Date of Planning Committee	Planning Officer Recommendation Agreed/Disagree
Q1	Cllr A Callan	LA01/2017/1270/O	22/08/2018	Defer
	Cllr A Robinson	LA01/2017/1436/O	23/05/2018	Disagree
	Cllr B Chivers	LA01/2017/1348/F		Referral Withdrawn
	Cllr A McLean	LA01/2017/0345/F	24/10/2018	
	Cllr M Fielding	LA01/2017/1534/O	26/09/2018	Agree
	Cllr M Fielding	LA01/2017/1562/F		
	Cllr M Fielding	LA01/2018/0038/F		
	Cllr A McLean	LA01/2017/1183/F	27/06/2018	Defer
	Cllr A Callan	LA01/2017/1033/F		
	Cllr M Fielding	LA01/2018/0070/F		
	Cllr A McLean	LA01/2017/0016/F	26/09/2018	Disagree
	Cllr B Douglas	LA01/2017/1233/F	22/08/2018	Disagree
	Cllr N Hillis	LA01/2015/0459F	27/06/2018 24/10/2018	Defer
	Cllr B Chivers	LA01/2017/1599/F		
	Cllr A Robinson	LA01/2017/0625/F	24/10/2018	
	Cllr K Mulholland	LA01/2017/1001/F		
	Cllr C McShane	LA01/2017/1492/F	24/10/2018	
	Ald A Robinson	LA01/2018/0162/O		
	Ald A Robinson	LA01/2017/1605/O		
	Cllr S Quigley	LA01/2017/1580/O	22/08/2018 24/10/2018	Defer
	Ald A Robinson	LA01/2017/1449/O		
	Ald A Robinson	LA01/2017/1178/F	24/10/2018	
Q2	Cllr R Loftus	LA01/2016/1370/O		
	Cllr M Fielding	LA01/2017/0555/F	24/10/2018	
	Cllr B Douglas	LA01/2017/0664/O		
	Cllr B Chivers	LA01/2017/1391/F	24/10/2018	
	Cllr K Mulholland	LA01/2018/0566/O	24/10/2018	
	Cllr T Clarke	LA01/2018/0595/O	24/10/2018	
	Cllr S McGlinchey	LA01/2018/0007/F		
	Cllr M Fielding	LA01/2017/0441/F	24/10/2018	
	Ald A Robinson	LA01/2017/1291/F		
	Cllr S Quigley	LA01/2017/1648/F	26/09/2018	Agree
	Cllr S McGlinchey	LA01/2018/0474/O		
	Cllr S McGlinchey	LA01/2018/0476/O		
	Cllr M Fielding	LA01/2018/0037/F	26/09/2018 24/10/2018	Defer
	Cllr C McShane	LA01/2017/1372/F		
	Cllr O Beattie	LA01/2017/1231/O		
	Cllr A Callan	LA01/2018/0103/F		
	Cllr M Fielding	LA01/2017/0906/F	24/10/2018	

	Cllr W McCandless	LA01/2017/0221/F	24/10/2018	
TOTAL	40			

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	26/09/2018 24/10/2018	Defer
	Cllr B Chivers	LA01/2015/0919/F		
	Cllr B Chivers	LA01/2017/0833/A	23/05/2018	Defer
	Ald A Robinson	LA01/2017/0358/O		
	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 B Chivers	LA01/2017/1522/O	22/08/2018 24/10/2018	Defer
TOTAL	12			

Source: Unvalidated Statistics

3.0 Recommendation

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