

20 October 2016		ITEM: 6
Planning Committee		
Planning Appeals		
Wards and communities affected: All	Key Decision: Not Applicable	
Report of: Leigh Nicholson, Development Management Team Leader		
Accountable Head of Service: Andy Millard, Head of Planning and Growth		
Accountable Director: Steve Cox, Director of Environment and Place		

Executive Summary

This report provides Members with information with regard to planning appeal performance.

1.0 Recommendation(s)

1.1 To note the report

2.0 Introduction and Background

2.1 This report advises the Committee of the number of appeals that have been lodged and the number of decisions that have been received in respect of planning appeals, together with dates of forthcoming inquiries and hearings.

3.0 Appeals Lodged:

None.

4.0 Appeals Decisions:

The following appeal decisions have been received:

4.1 **Application No:** 16/00197/HHA

Location: 56 Scratton Road, Stanford Le Hope

Proposal: Two storey side and rear extension, loft conversion and removal of the chimney stack.

Decision: Allowed

Summary of decision:

- 4.1.1 The Inspector considered the main issues to be the effect of the proposal on the character and appearance of the area, and upon the living conditions at 54 Scratton Road with particular reference to daylight and visual impact.
- 4.1.2 The Inspector considered the impacts of the development and found there to be sufficient space around the property to protect the amenities of the nearby resident. The Inspector also found no particular regimentation or uniformity to the streetscene to reject the appeal proposal on design ground. The Inspector took into account the Council's reasons for refusal but found no grounds to dismiss the appeal.
- 4.1.3 The full appeal decision can be found [here](#)

5. Forthcoming public inquiry and hearing dates:

- 5.1 The following inquiry and hearing dates have been arranged:
- 5.2 None.

6. APPEAL PERFORMANCE:

6.1 The following table shows appeal performance in relation to decisions on planning applications and enforcement appeals.

	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	
Total No of Appeals	5	2	4	0	0	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	16
No Allowed	2	0	0	0	0	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	7
% Allowed													43%

7.0 Consultation (including overview and scrutiny, if applicable)

7.1 N/A

8.0 Impact on corporate policies, priorities, performance and community impact

8.1 This report is for information only.

9.0 Implications

9.1 Financial

Implications verified by: **Sean Clark**
Head of Corporate Finance

There are no direct financial implications to this report.

9.2 Legal

Implications verified by: **Vivien Williams**
Principal Regeneration Solicitor

The Appeals lodged will either have to be dealt with by written representation procedure or (an informal) hearing or a local inquiry.

Most often, particularly following an inquiry, the parties involved will seek to recover from the other side their costs incurred in pursuing the appeal (known as 'an order as to costs' or 'award of costs').

9.3 Diversity and Equality

Implications verified by: **Rebecca Price**
Community Development Officer

There are no direct diversity implications to this report.

9.4 Other implications (where significant) – i.e. Staff, Health, Sustainability, Crime and Disorder)

None.

10. Background papers used in preparing the report (including their location on the Council's website or identification whether any are exempt or protected by copyright):

- All background documents including application forms, drawings and other supporting documentation can be viewed online: www.thurrock.gov.uk/planning. The planning enforcement files are not public documents and should not be disclosed to the public.

11. Appendices to the report

- None

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