

ANGUS COUNCIL

DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS COMMITTEE – 3 MARCH 2020

ENFORCEMENT UPDATE

REPORT BY SERVICE LEADER – PLANNING & COMMUNITIES

Abstract:

This report is an update on progress of enforcement cases which are of interest to the Development Standards Committee.

1. RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Committee note the contents of this report.

2. BACKGROUND

An update is provided for each meeting of the Committee on enforcement cases where a temporary stop notice, stop notice, or enforcement notice has been served, or where the matter gives rise to potentially significant issues of wider interest. The table format of the current caseload is attached overleaf.

3. DISCUSSION

3.1 In the period from, 28 January 2020 to 21 February 2020, 12 new enforcement cases were recorded and 12 cases have been closed. There are currently 157 cases that are subject of ongoing investigation.

3.2 At its meeting on 24 April 2018 Committee approved report [144/18](#) which amongst other things set out the council's policy on advertising in the rural area. The policy identifies the circumstances where the council will permit advertisements in the rural area with the objective of minimising the detrimental effect that uncontrolled advertisements can have upon the visual quality of our countryside.

3.3 Unfortunately advertisements continue to be erected without the necessary consent and many of those that have been displayed are not consistent with the recently approved policy. Members have raised this as a matter of concern and officers have initiated a programme of action in relation to unauthorised signs with priority being given, in the first instance, to those displayed on the A90 and A92 dual carriageways.

3.4 A number of unauthorised signs have been removed voluntarily but it is likely that formal enforcement action may be required in a number of instances and this will result in additional cases being added to this update.

4. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial, human rights or equalities implications arising from this report.

NOTE: No background papers, as defined by Section 50D of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973, (other than any containing confidential or exempt information) were relied on to any material extent in preparing the above Report.

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APPENDIX 1: CURRENT ENFORCEMENT CASES