# Development Management Committee 11<sup>th</sup> March 2020

# Planning (Development Management) summary report for the quarter Oct-Dec 2019

#### 1. Introduction

1.1 The purpose of this report is to update Members on the position with respect to Performance Indicators and overall workload of the Development Management Section of Planning. This report covers the quarter from 1<sup>st</sup> September to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2019.

## 2. Planning Applications

2.1 The three tables below set out figures relating to determination of Major, Minor and 'Other' planning applications for the second quarter. We are required to provide the government with statistical returns in relation to decision times. It should be noted that the returns required by government do not include some application types including applications for the approval of details pursuant to conditions, applications to fell or carry out works to TPO trees and trees in Conservation Areas, Non-Material Amendments, Screening Opinions, Adjacent Authority Consultations and applications for approval in relation to conditions. These however constitute a source of demand on our service numbering 88 determinations in the quarter and are included in the total figures reflecting workload set out at 3.1 below.

Major and small scale major Applications determined within 13 weeks

Decisions in	Oct-Dec 2019	Government	2018/2019
quarter		Target	Total %
3	100%	60%	91.5%

<sup>\*</sup> Whilst one of the 3 decisions in quarter 3 fell outside the statutory period, it was the subject of an agreed extension of time and is therefore recorded as 'in time'.

Minor (Non householder) Applications determined within 8 weeks

Decisions in quarter	Oct-Dec 2019	Government Target	2018/2019 Total %
25	100%	65%	80.4%

<sup>\*</sup> Whilst three of the 25 decisions in quarter 3 fell outside the statutory period, three were the subject of agreed extensions of time and are therefore recorded as 'in time'.

'Other' (Including Householder) Applications determined within 8 weeks

Decisions in quarter	Oct-Dec 2019	Government Target	2018/2019 Total %
75	89.3%	80%	93.8%

2.2 The following table sets out figures relating to appeals allowed against the authority's decision to refuse permission.

% of appeals allowed against the authority's decision to refuse

Government Target	Oct-Dec 2019	Appeal Decisions
40% max	0%	2

#### 3. Workload

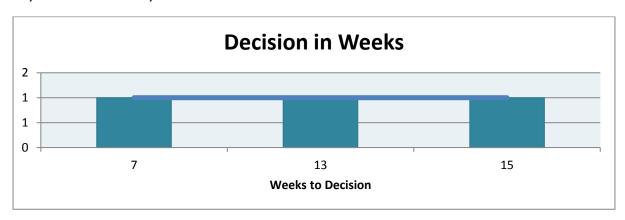
3.1 This section deals with workload demand on the Development Management in the third quarter.

Departmental Work Demand Oct-Dec 2019

Applications Submitted (All types)	Pre-Application Cases	Incoming Telephone Calls	Applications Determined (All types)	Appeals Submitted
309	81	1430	280	4

3.2 The following graphs present the time period being taken to determine different types of application in the third quarter of 2019-20.

Major and small-scale majors Total 3

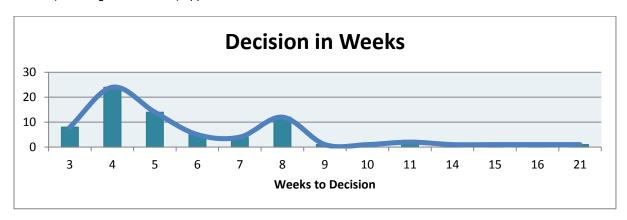


3.3 Performance in the third quarter of 2019-20 with regard to Major applications remains above the Government target with all cases determined within the statutory 13 week period or subject to agreed extensions of time.



3.4 This second graph illustrates the determination times for minor applications, 100% of which were determined within the statutory period or in accordance with agreed extensions of time in the third quarter of 2019-20.

'Other' (Including Householder) applications Total 75



3.5 This third graph shows that in the third quarter of this financial year a significant proportion (over 60%) of householder applicants received decisions before the end of five weeks after their validation date.

### 4. Fee Income

- 4.1 The total planning fee income received for the quarter was £64,944 against a budget estimate of £120,000, a small increase over the £56,341 in the previous quarter.
- 4.2 The total pre-application income received for the quarter was £4,940 against a budget estimate of £9,000.

#### 5. Section 106 contributions

5.1 Information in this section relates to financial contributions secured by way of section 106 planning obligations. The allocation of capacity in the Hawley Meadows and Rowhill Copse SANGs is now complete and there will henceforth be no further contributions or reports in respect of these projects. Some residual contributions from the Southwood II SANG are still arriving. Allocation with a view to collection of contributions in respect of the first phase of the new Southwood Country Park SANG commenced in August 2019 to date no associated project has reached the stage where payment is due.

Section 106 contributions received	Oct-Dec 2019
Contributions received (Rushmoor and Hampshire) apportioned as set out below~	£202,138.40
Open Space (specific projects set out in agreements)	£0
Affordable Housing (In lieu of on-site provision)	£0
SANGS a) Southwood II b) Southwood Country Park	a) £6,500 b) £0
SAMM* a) Southwood II b) Southwood Country Park c) Wellesley Woodland d) Bramshot Farm (Hart)	a) £711 b) £0 c) £194,927.43 d) £0
Transport (specific projects set out in agreements)*	£0

<sup>~</sup>This figure also includes monitoring charges, interest and receipts for the Farnborough Airport Community Environmental Fund

Seven new undertakings/legal agreements were signed in the period Oct-Dec 2019.

#### 6. Comment on workload for this quarter

6.1 This third quarter saw a marked numerical increase in numbers of application submissions and a slight fall in pre-application submissions. Both Planning Application fees and Pre-application receipts remained significantly below the budgetary estimates. Demand continued for minor and householder proposals. The submission of at least two major regeneration project applications, which have been under discussion for a considerable length of time and which would

<sup>\*</sup>Contributions relating to SAMM and Transport are paid to Hampshire County Council.

command fees at the larger end of the scale, has been subject to slippage arising from matters outside the applicants' and the Council's control. The expectation remains that at least one of these will be submitted within the fourth quarter of the financial year.

### 7. Wellesley

- 7.1 There have been 545 residential occupations to date at Wellesley. Maida Development Zone A is substantially complete. This contains 228 units of which 226 are occupied. The remaining two will be constructed/occupied once the sales suite is no longer required in connection with the Corunna Development Zones B1 & B2.
- 7.2 The Corunna Zone, opposite Maida on the west side of Queen's Avenue is at an advanced stage of completion for Phases B1 & B2 (227 residential units). Works are advancing on Corunna Phases B3 & B4 to provide a further 454 residential dwellings. To date 232 units are occupied within the entire zone, including affordable housing.
- 7.3 Gunhill (Development Zone E) which consists of 107 residential units. This is located west of the Cambridge Military Hospital and north of Hospital Road. 71 units of private rented accommodation are occupied to date.
- 7.4 Works are progressing on phase 1 of McGrigor Zone D. This is north of the Cambridge Military Hospital and east of Maida Zone. It will provide a total of 116 residential units. 16 of the units are currently occupied.
- 7.5 Work has now lawfully commenced on the first phases of the Cambridge Military Hospital Development Zone C. This follows the approval of details pursuant to pre-commencement conditions attached to the reserved matters and listed building consents for the main hospital, Louise Margaret Hospital and Gunhill House & Water Tower. Weston Homes are planning to do a marketing launch for The Cambridge Military Hospital in September 2020, with the first occupations expected at the start of 2021.

#### 8. Recommendation

8.1 That the report be **NOTED** 

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BACKGROUND PAPERS: None.