

Sandwell Metropolitan Borough Council

8 March 2016

Annual Report of the Planning Committee for 2015

1. Summary Statement

- 1.1 The Council establishes the Planning Committee each year to deal with matters relating to the Town and Country Planning Acts and related legislation, which mainly concerns the determination of planning applications.
- 1.2 The Committee is required to submit an Annual Report to Council each year detailing the work undertaken throughout the year.

2. Recommendation

- 2.1 That the Planning Committee Annual Report for 2015 be received.

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3. Strategic Resource Implications

- 3.1 Officer time and legal costs for dealing with planning applications are resourced from application fees and existing budgets.

4. Legal and Statutory Implications

- 4.1 The Council, as local planning authority, has a statutory duty to provide a Development Management service as required by the Planning Acts and associated legislation.

5. Implications for Council's Scorecard Priorities

- 5.1 The work of the Regeneration and Economy Directorate contributes to the Council's Shared Partnership Priority to make Sandwell a Safe and Clean Place to Live ("Great Place").

6. Background Details

- 6.1 There are no further background details to add to this report.