

TITLE OF REPORT: Enforcement Team Activity

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Purpose of the Report

1. To advise the Committee of the activity of the Enforcement Team since the last Committee meeting.

Background

2. The Enforcement team deal with proactive and reactive investigations in relation to Planning, Highway and Waste related matters.

Recommendations

3. It is recommended that the Committee note the report.

Within the date range commencing 31.03.22 and ending 27.04.22 the enforcement team has received 103 new service requests.

Type of complaint	New complaints received	Cases allocated to officer	Cases resolved	Pending prosecutions
PLANNING	31	22	24	0
HIGHWAYS	10	4	10	0
ABANDONED VEHICLES	46	21 active cases remain	46	0
WASTE	16	16	146	2
TOTALS	103	63	226	2

COURT HEARINGS

Wards Storage and Hire Ltd (Blue box Storage) were prosecuted on 12 April 2022 for advertising offences. They were fined £100 per offence

for two offences under the Town and Country Planning Act (Control of Advertisements) (England) Regulations 2007. £624 costs were also awarded received. <https://www.gateshead.gov.uk/article/20735/Gateshead-company-fined-for-illegal-placement-of-advertisements>