

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 response to Planning, Highway and Waste related matters.

Recommendations

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

Within the date range commencing 24.09.2024 and ending 22.10.2024 the enforcement team has received **176** new service requests. The enforcement team currently has **639** cases under investigation.

TYPE OF SERVICE REQUEST	NEW SERVICE REQUESTS RECEIVED	CASES ALLOCATED TO OFFICER	CASES RESOLVED	UNDER INVESTIGATION	PENDING PROSECUTIONS	FPN ISSUED	CAUTION ISSUED	REFERAL TO OTHER AGENCY
Planning	21	20	16	240	0			
Empty/vacant properties & sites	4	4	8	103	0			
Highways	52	45	38	127	0			
Abandoned vehicles	51	51	68	19	0			
Waste investigations	48	39	29	150	1	0	0	0

TOTALS	176	159	159	639	1	0	0	0
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COURT HEARINGS

On 22.10.24 Shaun Gilrest was found guilty at South Tyneside Magistrates of committing a fly tipping offence under Section 33 of the Environmental Protection Act 1990. Fined £200 and ordered to pay £270 compensation and costs of £156.

On 22.10.24 David Fields was found guilty in his absence at South Tyneside Magistrates of failing to provide information to the Council in connection with a fly tip under Section 108 of the Environment Act 1995. Fined £220 and ordered to pay £200 costs.

On 22.10.24 Nicholas Carr failed to attend South Tyneside Magistrates having been summonsed in relation to a fly tipping offence under Section 33 of the Environmental Protection Act 1990. Warrant of arrest issued by the court.