

SOUTH CAMBRIDGESHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

REPORT TO: Development and Conservation Control Committee 12th May 2004
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ENFORCEMENT SCRUTINY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

Purpose

Members to be informed of actions following Scrutiny Committee's recommendations.

Effect on Corporate Objectives

Enforcement action helps maintain the quality of village life.

Background

In discussions with the Chairman of the Scrutiny Committee, it was agreed that it would be helpful if the outcomes were shared with the Development and Conservation Control Committee.

Considerations

The accompanying copy letter of the 19th February 2004 sets out the recommendations, and the subsequent actions and outcomes.

Members should note recommendation 6, which is to the effect that Members should report to their Parish Council the figures in the quarterly report on enforcement, and to check whether information sent to Parish Councils on planning applications meets their needs.

Financial Implications

Recommendations 1, 2 and 3 were actioned within existing resources. The IT improvements which underpin improvements to communications between Development and Building Control are included within existing budgets. There will be an internal charge by Building Control to Development Control for the service they are providing.

Legal Implications

There are no legal implications.

Staffing Implications

Monitoring by Building Control for Development Control was allowed for in agreeing the establishment for Building Control.

Consultations

Reference to Committee agreed with the Chairman of Scrutiny Committee

Conclusion

The recommendations of Scrutiny Committee have been properly addressed.

Recommendations

The Department will continue to try and influence Government policy in respect of increased charging for retrospective applications whenever any suitable opportunity presents itself..

Background Papers: the following background papers were used in the preparation of this report:

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