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Response:

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Planning Enforcement Cambridge City Council

1.12.2016 onwards to date

Planning Enforcement cases recorded of allegations of breaches of planning control made – 1250

2. The enforcement action taken against the breaches above i.e., how many led to a prosecution, how many was no e enforcement action taken etc.

As a result of the investigations into the allegations of alleged breaches of planning control occurring, 943 cases have been closed down, either because no breach of planning control had occurred, that a retrospective planning permission was subsequently granted or that it was considered not expedient to take formal action.

As a result of these allegations, investigations were carried out resulting in 67 formal enforcement actions being taken and enforcement notices served.

Of the 67 formal enforcement notices served, the breakdown of types of notices were as follows –

Enforcement Notice – Material Change of Use - 31

Enforcement Notice – Operational Development - 16

Enforcement Notice – Breach of Condition - 8

Breach of condition Notice - 7

S.215 Untidy Land Notice – 2

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Temporary stop Notice – 2

Stop Notice - 1

All bar 10 of these notices have been complied with. To date there have not been a prosecution in relation to non-compliance with the requirements of a formal enforcement action.

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