

CABINET MEMBER UPDATE REPORT

Overview and Scrutiny Committee (Regeneration and Skills - 28 July 2015)

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UPDATE - FIRST QUARTER OF 2015/16

Building Control - Key Points:

- Building Control's share of the available market has risen to 76%.
- Building Regulation application approval rates are meeting statutory and locally set targets.
- Performance for undertaking same day site inspections is being maintained at 99%.
- The results of a recent survey of Building Control customers show an overall approval rating of 81%.
- Four key housing developments have commenced in Seaforth, Aintree, Crosby and Formby.
- Building Control had seven of their nominated schemes reach the North West LABC finals.

Local Planning - Key Points:

- Representations received to Publication Local Plan logged and prepared in format required by Planning Inspector.
- Continuing discussions with infrastructure providers to assess implications of development.
- Consultant's report received on implications of revised household projections and we have taken report to Overview and Scrutiny and Cabinet.
- Training session held for all Members to update on response received to Publication draft and to alert them to implications of higher household projections.
- Further studies being carried out to address issues arising from representations on draft Plan.
- Work started on a number of Supplementary Planning Documents.

Development Management - Key Points:

- Tesco's Bridge in Litherland complete after many years of work from Planning Services, Highway Services and Legal.
- Housing Scheme in Field Lane, Litherland in Housing Design Award, the only one of two entries in England outside the South East.
- Major Housing development minded for approval, no.109 houses at Aintree Triangle.

- Major Commercial development approved at Rolls Royce Factory site and KTC Edibles on Dunnings Bridge Rd.
- Major Retail development, the largest Next outside of South East of England at Aintree Retail Park.
- 347 planning applications determined.
- Significant progress made producing proofs of evidence for the School for Hearing Impaired, Birkdale and Sainsbury's Meols Cop Public Inquiries.
- Successful Agents Forum held at The CLAC on 30/6/2015.