

Planning Performance – December 2025

Planning will report a summary of performance. This will be for the month before last month, as this allows for all applications to be validated and gives a true representation.

All figures include all types of planning applications.

Determinations

	Total	Major	Minor	Householder	Other	DIS /NMA	Trees	Pre App
Determinations	101	3	14	28	12	12	32	9
Determined on time (%)		66% (90% within 13 weeks)	100% (80% within 8 weeks)	100% (90% within 8 weeks)	100% (90% within 8 weeks)	85% (80% within 8 weeks)	100% (100% within 8 weeks)	n/a
Approved	90	3	11	27	9	11	29	n/a
Refused	11	0	3	1	3	1	3	n/a

Validations – 75% validated within 5 working days (ECDC target is 85%)

Please note that this was during the Christmas/New Year period

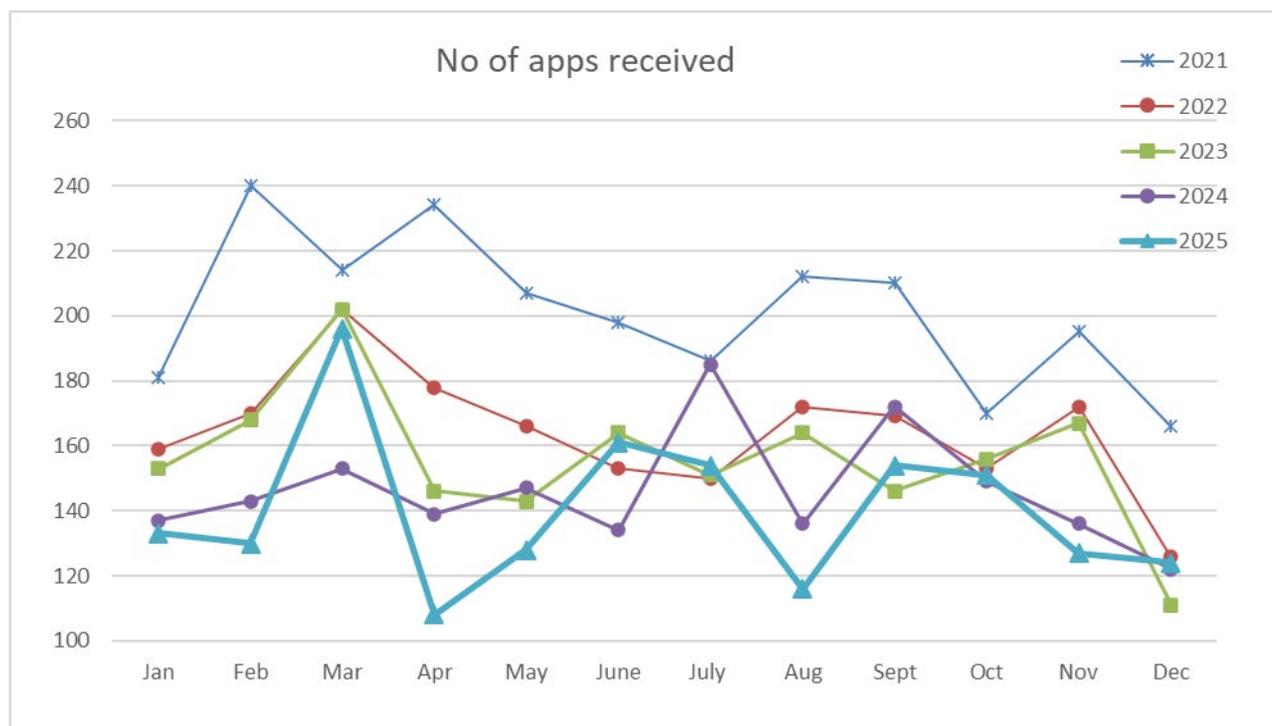
	Total	Major	Minor	Householder	Other	DIS /NMA	Trees	Pre App
Validations	112	4	13	26	19	12	25	13

Open Cases by Team (as at 23/01/2026)

	Total	Major	Minor	Householder	Other	DIS /NMA	Trees	Pre App
Team North (5 FTE)	138	11	28	23	24	40	0	12
Team South (6 FTE)	126	14	28	14	25	34	0	11
No Team (3 FTE)	29	0	0	1	5	1	23	0

(No Team includes – Trees Officer and Conservation Officer)

The Planning department received a total of 124 applications during December which is a 2% increase of the number received during December 2024 (122) and a 2% decrease to the number received during November 2025 (127).



Valid Planning Appeals received during December, currently with The Planning Inspectorate for decision– 2 Planning and 2 Enforcement

Appeal reference	Site address	Decision Level *
25/00036/REFAPP	The Barn Clare Farm 88 Main Street Witchford	DEL
25/00037/REFAPP	5 Newmarket Road Cheveley	DEL
25/00034/ENFAPP	Lazy Otter Meadows Cambridge Road Stretham	
25/00035/ENFAPP	Lazy Otter Meadows Cambridge Road Stretham	

Appeals decided – 0

Upcoming Hearing dates – 1

25/00021/REFAPP Land At Cambridge Road Stretham - 05/03/2026

Enforcement

New Complaints registered – 16 (1 Proactive)

Cases closed – 12 (0 Proactive)

Open cases per Officer (2.6fte) – 137 (15 Proactive)/2.6fte = 53 FTE

Notices served – 1

Comparison of Enforcement complaints received during November

Code	Description	2024	2025
ADVERT	Reports of unauthorised adverts	1	
COND	Reports of breaches of planning conditions	3	5
CONSRV	Reports of unauthorised works in a Conservation Area		
DEM	Reports of unauthorised demolition in a Conservation Area		
HEDGE	High Hedge complaints dealt with under the Anti-Social Behaviour Act		
LEGOB	Legal Obligation monitoring		
LEGOR	Legal Obligation report		

LISTED	Reports of unauthorised works to a Listed Building	0	
MON	Compliance Monitoring		
OP	Reports of operational development, such as building or engineering works	3	1
OTHER	Reports of activities that may not constitute development, such as the siting of a mobile home		2
PLAN	Reports that a development is not being built in accordance with approved plans		3
PRO	Proactive cases opened by the Enforcement Team, most commonly for unauthorised advertisements and expired temporary permissions	1	1
TRECON	No notice of tree works in a Conservation area		
TREHDG	Hedgerow Regulations breach		
TRETPO	Unauthorised works to TPO tree	1	
UNTIDY	Reports of untidy land or buildings harming the visual amenity		
USE	Reports of the change of use of land or buildings	2	2
TOTAL		11	14

* Code descriptions:

DIS	Discharge of Condition	DISMISS	Appeal Dismissed
NMA	Non material Amendment	ALLOW	Appeal Allowed
COMM	Committee Decision	NONDET	Appeal for non determination
DEL	Delegated Decision	APPWIT	Appeal withdrawn