

Planning Performance Report – May 2026

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	117	0	19	25	19	17	27	10
Determined on Time (%)	-	- (90% within 13 weeks)	74% (80% within 8 weeks)	92% (90% within 8 weeks)	100% (90% within 8 weeks)	76% (80% within 8 weeks)	100% (100% within 8 weeks)	N/A
Approved	102	0	17	25	19	17	24	N/A
Refused	5	0	2	0	0	0	3	N/A

Validations

52% of applications validated within 5 working days (ECDC target is 85%).

	Total	Major	Minor	Householder	Other	DIS/NMA	Trees	Pre-app
Validations	110	2	20	18	14	25	20	11

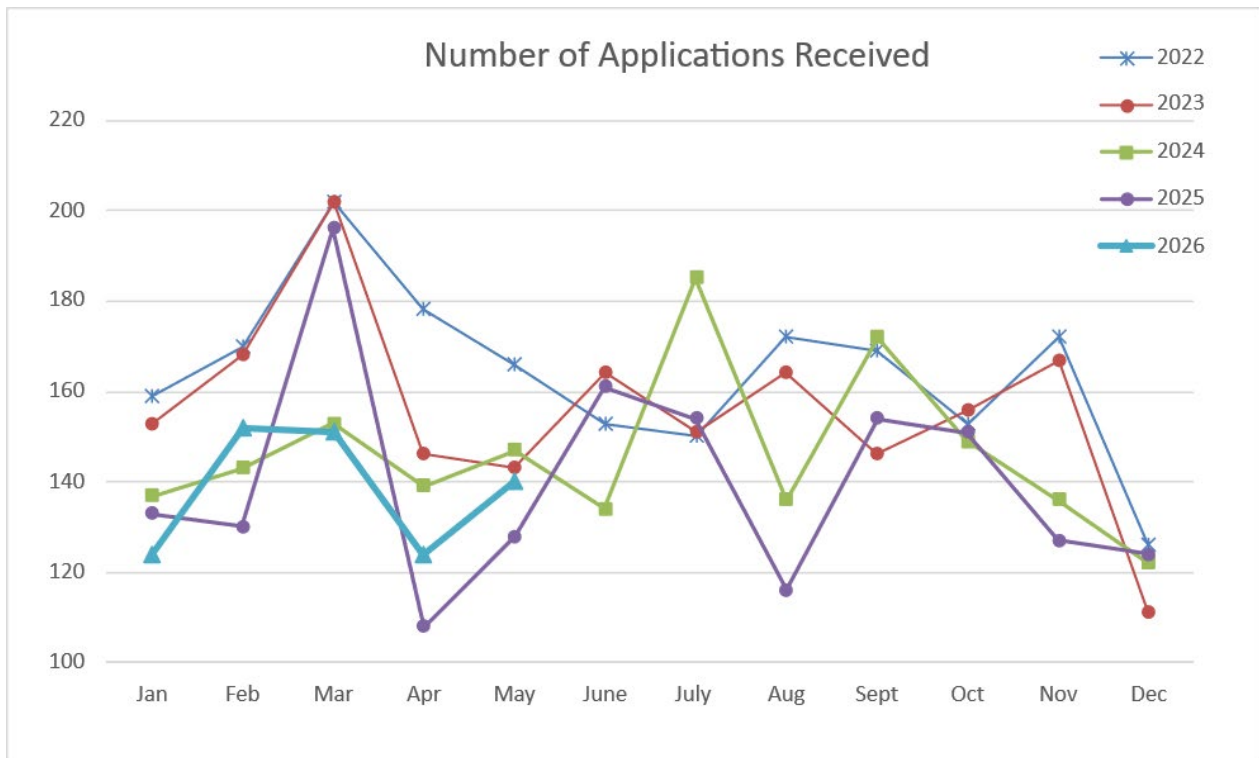
Open Cases by Team (as of 18 June 2026)

	Total	Major	Minor	Householder	Other	DIS/NMA	Trees	Pre-app
North Team (7 FTE)	159	12	43	20	33	39	0	12
South Team (7 FTE)	164	14	25	26	34	52	0	13
No Team (2 FTE)	33	0	0	2	3	2	25	1

('No Team' includes the Trees Officer and the Conservation Officer.)

Applications Received

The Planning department received a total of 140 applications in May 2026 which is a 9.4% increase to the total received in May 2025 (128) and a 13% increase to the total received in April 2026 (124).



Valid planning appeals received in May 2026: 6

Appeal reference	Site Address	Decision Level
26/00007/REFMC	15 Newnham Street Ely Cambridgeshire CB7 4PG	DEL
26/00008/LBCAPP	15 Newnham Street Ely Cambridgeshire CB7 4PG	DEL
26/00011/REFAPP	Rose Garden Cottage 13 Soham Road Fordham Ely Cambridgeshire CB7 5LD	DEL
26/00012/TREFAP	17 Bohemond Street Ely Cambridgeshire CB7 4PP	DEL
26/00013/REFAPP	Boundary Farm Sutton Road Witchford Ely Cambridgeshire CB6 2HX	DEL
26/00014/REFAPP	Land Southwest Of Hightown Drove Burwell Cambridgeshire	COMM

Appeals decided in May 2026: 3

Appeal reference	Site Address	Decision Level	Outcome
25/00006/REFAPP	Land Between 43 And 79 The Causeway Isleham Cambridgeshire	DEL	DISMIS
25/00021/REFAPP	Land At Cambridge Road Stretham Cambridgeshire	COMM	ALLOW
26/00004/REFAPP	Land Adj To 1 Victoria Place Sutton Ely Cambridgeshire CB6 2NP	DEL	DISMIS

Upcoming planning appeal hearings dates: 0

Enforcement

New complaints registered in May 2026: 22 (1 proactive)

Cases closed in May 2026: 17 (2 proactive)

Notices served in May 2026: 0

Open cases per officer (as of 18 June 2026): 153 (26 proactive) / 2.6fte = 59 FTE

Comparison of Enforcement complaints received during May

Code	Description	2025	2026
ADVERT	Reports of unauthorised adverts	1	1
BNGBRE	Reports of breaches of a mandatory BNG condition		1
COND	Reports of breaches of planning conditions	1	7
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		
HEDBR	High hedges breach		
LEGOB	Legal Obligation monitoring		
LEGOR	Legal Obligation report		1
LISTED	Reports of unauthorised works to a Listed Building	1	
MON	Compliance Monitoring		
OP	Reports of operational development, such as building or engineering works	6	4
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	2	1
PRO	Proactive cases opened by the Enforcement Team, most commonly for unauthorised advertisements and expired temporary permissions		1
TRECON	No notice of tree works in a Conservation area		
TREHDG	Hedgerow Regulations breach		
TRETPO	Unauthorised works to TPO tree		
UNTIDY	Reports of untidy land or buildings harming the visual amenity		
USE	Reports of the change of use of land or buildings	7	4
Total		18	22

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