

Planning Performance Report – August 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	125	0	14	22	18	34	23	14
Determined on Time (%)	-	-% (90% within 13 weeks)	93% (80% within 8 weeks)	95% (90% within 8 weeks)	94% (90% within 8 weeks)	59% (80% within 8 weeks)	100% (100% within 8 weeks)	N/A
Approved	102	0	13	22	14	31	22	N/A
Refused	9	0	1	0	4	3	1	N/A

Validations

98% of applications validated within 5 working days (ECDC target is 85%).

	Total	Major	Minor	Householder	Other	DIS/NMA	Trees	Pre-app
Validations	118	0	15	20	20	26	24	13

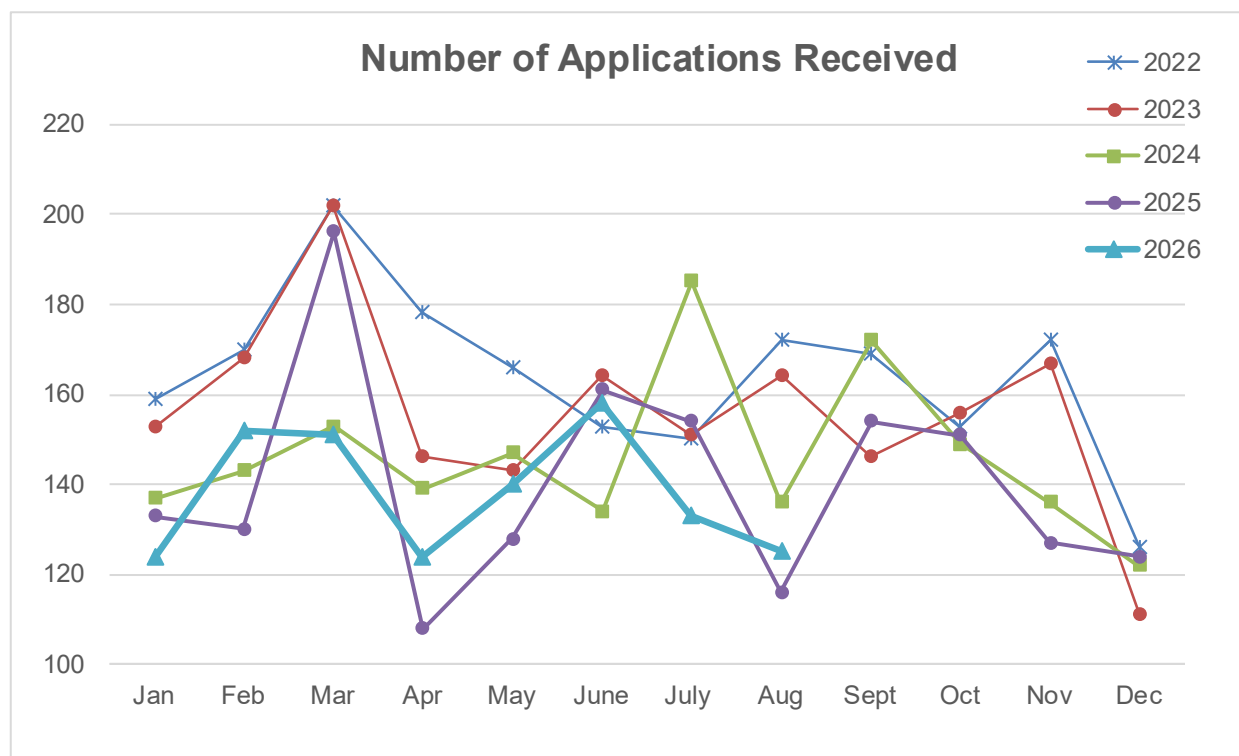
Open Cases by Team (as of 21 Aug 2026)

	Total	Major	Minor	Householder	Other	DIS/NMA	Trees	Pre-app
North Team (8 FTE)	148	12	32	28	28	32	0	16
South Team (8 FTE)	161	19	32	17	35	35	0	23
No Team (2 FTE)	42	0	0	0	0	1	41	0

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

Applications Received

The Planning department received a total of 125 applications in August 2026 which is a 7.8% increase to the total received in August 2025 (116) and a 6% decrease to the total received in July 2026 (133).



Planning Appeals Received

Valid appeals received in August 2026: 1

Appeal reference	Site Address	Decision Level
26/00018/REFAPP	De Freville Farm High Street Aldreth Ely Cambridgeshire CB6 3PQ	COMM

Planning Appeals Decided

Appeals decided in August 2026: 3

Appeal reference	Site Address	Decision Level	Outcome
26/00008/LBCAPP	15 Newnham Street Ely Cambridgeshire CB7 4PG	DEL	ALLOW
26/00013/REFAPP	Boundary Farm Sutton Road Witchford Ely Cambridgeshire CB6 2HX	DEL	ALLOW
26/00007/REFMC	15 Newnham Street Ely Cambridgeshire CB7 4PG	DEL	ALLOW

Planning Appeal Hearings

Upcoming appeal hearing dates: 2

Appeal reference	Site Address	Decision Level	Hearing Date
26/00010/REFAPP	Land Off Water Lane Long Acre Kirtling Suffolk	COMM	20 Oct 2026
26/00014/REFAPP	Land Southwest Of Hightown Drove Burwell Cambridgeshire	COMM	01 Dec 2026

Enforcement

New complaints registered in August 2026: 19 (1 proactive)

Cases closed in August 2026: 9 (0 proactive)

Notices served in August 2026: 0

Open cases per officer as of 21 Sep 2026: 174 (24 proactive) / 3.6fte = 48.3 FTE

Comparison of Enforcement complaints received during August:

Code	Description	2025	2026
ADVERT	Reports of unauthorised adverts	4	
BNGBRE	Reports of breaches of a mandatory BNG condition		1
COND	Reports of breaches of planning conditions	6	5
CONSRV	Reports of unauthorised works in a Conservation Area		
DEM	Reports of unauthorised demolition in a Conservation Area		
DEVMON	Development monitoring		1
HEDGE	High Hedge complaints dealt with under the Anti-Social Behaviour Act		
HEDBR	High hedges breach		
LEGOB	Legal Obligation monitoring		
LEGOR	Legal Obligation report		
LISTED	Reports of unauthorised works to a Listed Building		
MON	Compliance Monitoring		
OP	Reports of operational development, such as building or engineering works	5	5
OTHER	Reports of activities that may not constitute development, such as the siting of a mobile home	1	
PLAN	Reports that a development is not being built in accordance with approved plans	2	
PRO	Proactive cases opened by the Enforcement Team, most commonly for unauthorised advertisements and expired temporary permissions	2	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	1	
USE	Reports of the change of use of land or buildings	2	6
Total		23	19

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