

Report to Council

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Subject:	Annual Report of the Planning Committee 2023-2024
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1 Recommendations

- 1.1 That Council receive the Planning Committee Annual Report for 2023-24.

2 Reasons for Recommendations

- 2.1 The Planning Committee is required to submit an Annual Report to Council each year detailing the work undertaken throughout the year.

3 How does this deliver objectives of the Corporate Plan?

		The planning decision-making process contributes significantly to a number of elements of the Sandwell Vision. These include the regeneration of Sandwell; helping create homes that meet people's current and future needs; helping provide the right number of school places; establishing training facilities; and investing in businesses, people and jobs.
		
		



4 Context and Key Issues

- 4.1 The Council establishes the Planning Committee each year to deal with matters relating to the Town and Country Planning Acts and related legislation, which mainly concerns the determination of planning applications.

5 Alternative Options

The Committee is required to submit an annual report to Council detailing the work undertaken throughout the year.

6 Implications

Resources:	Officer time and legal costs for dealing with planning applications are resourced from application fees and existing budgets.
Legal and Governance:	The Council, as local planning authority, has a statutory duty to provide a Development Management service as required by the Planning Acts and associated legislation.
Risk:	There are no direct risks associated with this report.
Equality:	There is no requirement for an equality impact assessment.
Health and Wellbeing:	There are no direct health and wellbeing implications from this report.
Social Value	There are no direct social value implications from this report.
Climate Change:	There are no direct climate change implications from this report.
Corporate Parenting:	There are no direct corporate parenting implications from this report.

7 Appendices

Annual Report of the Planning Committee 2023-24.

8. Background Papers

None.

