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1. Executive Summary

1.1 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.

2. Recommendations

Council is recommended to:-

2.1 Consider and note the Annual Report of the Planning Committee 2024-2025.

3. Proposals – Reasons for the recommendations

3.1 The Planning Committee is required to submit an Annual Report each year detailing the work of the Committee, the report is then presented to Council.

4. Alternative Options Considered

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

5. Consultation

5.1 None required.

6. Financial Implications

6.1 There are no financial implications arising directly from this report.

7. Legal and Governance Implications

7.1 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.

8. Risks

8.1 There are no direct risks arising from this report.

9. Equality and Diversity Implications (including the public sector equality duty)

9.1 There are no direct equality implications arising from this report.

10. Other Relevant Implications

10.1 No other relevant implications arising from this report.

11. Background Documents

None

12. How does this deliver the objectives of the Strategic Themes?

12.1 The planning decision-making process contributes significantly to a number of elements of the Council Plan. 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