

Planning Committee

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Annual Monitoring Report 2020

Report by Planning Policy Officer

Summary

The Annual Monitoring Report (AMR) sets out planning related data from 1 April 2019 to 31 March 2020. It also includes the annual check of exemptions related to self-build.

Recommendation

To note the report and endorse its findings.

1. Introduction

- 1.1. The Annual Monitoring Report (AMR) assesses planning permissions granted over the monitoring period from 1 April 2019 to 31 March 2020. It also assesses how policies in the Local Plan for the Broads were used. The Local Plan monitoring indicators are a key component of this AMR, which provides an update on the Duty to Cooperate and progress on the Local Plan and other associated documents.
- 1.2. The AMR will be published on the Broads Authority's website.

2. Changes to the AMR

2.1. This AMR contains much more information than the previous iterations. The indicators for the Local Plan were designed to be monitored using readily available information, which is included in this AMR together with how each policy was used.

COVID-19

- 3.1. COVID-19 restrictions put into place since March 2020 have influenced the AMR in the following ways.
- 3.2. Firstly, rather than going out to see if a scheme had been completed, Agents, Applicants or Building Control were contacted for an update on their scheme, including a timeline for starting or commencing. The information about completions and the scheduling of when schemes are anticipated to be completed is directly from the Applicant or Agent. When informing us of the anticipated timeline, they would therefore have considered the impact of COVID-19.

3.3. Secondly, at the time of writing, the Government has announced that they intend to extend the planning permission expiry date for permissions which would otherwise lapse between April 2020 and the end of 2020. This is to be confirmed in regulations. The impact for this AMR is that those schemes due to lapse in that time period will still be able to be started and therefore have been included in this AMR rather than being presumed lapsed.

4. Headline figures

- 4.1. The following are the headline figures taken from the AMR (at Appendix 1):
 - Total number of dwellings completed in 2019/20: 8
 - Total number of houses permitted in 2019/20: 13
 - 8 units of holiday accommodation count towards the housing need for the Broads
 - The permissions in this monitoring period, at 21 dwellings, has exceeded the local plan annual average of 11.43 dwellings
 - Approval rate (as a percentage of validated applications) is 90.2%
 - 12 residential moorings permitted at Marina Quays
 - 5 appeals decided and subsequently dismissed
 - 5-year land supply:

| Liverpool | Sedgefield |
|------------|-------------|
| 7.70 years | 12.28 years |

4.2. Due to the end date for the monitoring period for the self-build date being 31 October 2020, these headline figures will be reported orally. The headline figures are included in the AMR document, which is to follow.

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Appendix 1 – 2019/20 Annual Monitoring Report – to follow