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The following document contains reports for your information. If you would like any matters to be raised at the next Executive or regulatory committee, one day's written notice should be given to the Head of Legal and Support Services (with a copy to Sarah Bell). Any matters must be raised within one calendar month of it being published in the Information Bulletin.

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Following the receipt of the letter from the Government Office of the South East (GOSE) stating that they were “minded” to call the application submitted by Crest Nicholson (CN) based on comments made by the Commission for Architecture and the Built Environment (CABE) a number of meetings have been/planned to be held to decide a way forward. The intention of the meetings is to ensure as far as is possible that a call-in of the application is avoided.

At the moment this is being dealt with as a planning issue but dependent upon the outcome of the various meetings referred to below, it may lead to a variation in the construction programme which may, in turn, have landlord issues.

Planning officers have held an initial meeting with CN to agree a way forward, at which the following actions were agreed:

1. An initial meeting has been arranged with CABE and CN - now scheduled for 22nd February to:
 - a) elicit from CABE their underlying thoughts behind their reservations/objections - with a view to this being an aid to amending the design solution. It was accepted that there would need to be some change to the scheme, but just what and how extensive a change would need to be evolved from discussions;
 - b) make CABE aware of other considerations which impact upon the intensity of development e.g. English Nature’s position regarding impact on heathland, public opinion etc; and
 - c) show CABE some sketch ideas of possible amendments which would appear in part to address some of CABE’s concerns.
2. SHBC/CN to take stock after meeting with CABE. If the outcome is favourable the Council would look to get new formal advice from CABE. If CABE insist on a radical change to the scheme, i.e. deletion of a new Southern Road, a new application will be required. CN have been asked to give this some thought to this possibility in addition to the work in 1 c) above.

Caseload

Number of benefit claimants - 3033

Number of LIVE Housing Benefit/Council Tax Benefit claims - 5018

Number of application forms received in month - 241

Performance Indicators

Average number of days to process Change of Circumstances - 14

Average number of days to process NEW claims - 46

% of NEW claims processed within 14 days of completion - 73%
 % of ALL claims assessed within 14 days - 70%
 % of NEW Rent Allowance claims paid on time - 60%
 % of overpayments recovered, year to date - currently unable to provide

Outstanding Work

Total number of claims/items to be processed - 646
 Oldest work - 14/12/2004

Overpayments

Value of overpayments raised in September 2004 - £13,530
 Value of rewards claimed for month - £470
 Cumulative total of rewards for year - £6540

Expenditure to date

Housing Benefits expenditure to date - £6,236,696
 Council Tax Benefit expenditure to date - £2,148,326

PANTOMIME OUT-TURN REPORT

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The pantomime Snow White 2004/05 was the most successful pantomime ever staged at The Camberley Theatre. It attracted a record-breaking attendance of 15,868, representing 94% of the maximum capacity and the box office receipts net of VAT were £130,868 (£153,763 Gross).

The yield per ticket was up 6% on the previous year, the concessionary ticket price having been raised by £1 on the previous year and the full price ticket by 50p.

Year	Title	Producer	Attendance	% of capacity	Net Box Office £	Gross Yield (per ticket) £
2000/01	Snow White	Paul Holman	9,862	68%	68,685	8.16
2001/02	Beauty and the Beast	Paul Holman	10,456	71%	73,064	8.21
2002/03	Peter Pan	In-house	15,581	92%	114,939	8.67
2003/04	Cinderella	In-house	15,023	89%	116,568	9.12
2004/05	Snow White	In-house	15,868	94%	130,868	9.69

This was the third pantomime to be produced 'in-house' with the theatre staff responsible for the entire production from start to finish. These in-house productions have significantly improved on the previous pantomime productions, which were provided by external pantomime producers, the most recent being Beauty and the Beast in 2001/02. The Theatre has doubled the box office income since the last time that Snow White was presented just four years ago. The Theatre also now has a stock of set elements and scenic cloths so that the same productions can be presented again in the future with reduced costs.

New appeals notified to the Council

<u>Planning Ref</u>	<u>Site</u>	<u>Proposal</u>	<u>Type of Appeal</u>
2004/0498	122, 124 & 126 Guildford Road, Lightwater.	Erection of 20 two bedroom apartments with associated parking and amenity space, following demolition of 122, 124 and 126 Guildford Road.	Inquiry
2004/0619	Pound Cottage, 320 Guildford Road, Bisley.	Demolition of Morley Garage and erection of side extension.	Written
2004/0806	(Former Duke of York Public House) 371 London Road, Camberley.	Erection of a three storey building comprising 21 one and two bedroom flats with car parking facilities and associated landscaping following demolition of existing building.	Hearing
2004/1062	174 Macdonald Road, Lightwater.	Demolition of chalet bungalow, garages and workshop, erection of three detached houses each with a double garage and construction of an access driveway.	Written
2004/1084	Dingley Dell House, Windlesham Road, Chobham.	Removal and reconfiguration of roof to allow for habitable accommodation on the second floor, including changes to appearance of the front facade and associated alterations.	Written
2004/1106	5 Prior End, Camberley.	Erection of a detached two storey building with 3rd floor accommodation in roof comprising 6 two bedroom flats with associated car parking and access following demolition of the existing building.	Written
2004/1209	Copperfields, Crawley Ridge, Camberley.	Erection of 2 two storey buildings with accommodation in roof comprising 20 two bedroom apartments with associated bin,	Hearing

<u>Planning Ref</u>	<u>Site</u>	<u>Proposal</u>	<u>Type of Appeal</u>
		cycle stores, amenity area and landscaping. Erection of 4 five bedroom detached two storey houses with accommodation in roof and double garages following demolition of existing buildings. Construction of a new site access and car parking facilities.	

Number of Appeals Received

	<u>March 2004 to date</u>	
Written Representations	46	(37)
Public Inquiry	13	(11)
Informal Hearing	5	(9)
Enforcement Notice Appeals	<u>0</u>	<u>(0)</u>
	64	(57)

(The figures in brackets are for the same period last year.)

Appeal Decisions

<u>Planning Application Number</u>	<u>Site</u>	<u>Proposal</u>	<u>Decision</u>
2004/0364	3 Shalbourne Rise, Camberley.	The erection of a fence (greater than 1 metre in height) to provide safety and security to the rear of 3 Shalbourne Rise.	Dismissed

Summary of Results of Appeals

	<u>March 2004 to date</u>	
Appeals allowed	18	(17)
Appeals dismissed	15	(39)
Appeals withdrawn	<u>0</u>	<u>(0)</u>
	33	(56)

(The figures in brackets are for the same period last year.)

Road Closures made under the Town Police Clauses Act 1847.**B383 Windsor Road, Chertsey Road, A319 Bagshot Road, Castel Grove Road, A3046 High Street, and A3046 Station Road, Chobham.**

The Council has made an Order to close:

Windsor Road junction with Red Lion Road
Windsor Road junction with Chertsey Road
Bagshot Road A139 junction with High Street
Castle Grove Road junction with Station Road
Station Road junction with Sandpit Hall Road

in Chobham on 2nd May 2005 between 11:30 hours to 12:30 hours in connection with Chobham Carnival.

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