

7 ENFORCEMENT QUARTERLY UPDATE STATEMENT FOR PERIOD JULY - DECEMBER 2002 (AN31-2003)

The foregoing is a statistical update for the period from July - December, 2002.

Total number of Complaints investigated: 49

(This number reflects only the cases that received an initial investigation and thereafter, required further Enforcement Action. It does not include the extensive number of enquiries that could be dealt with by return).

Planning Contravention Notices	25
Breach of Condition Notice	0
Wasteland Notices	7
Enforcement Notices	4
Advertisement Enforcement Notice	2
Report issued to Procurator Fiscal	2

As a result of the service of these Notices and previous Notices, ten planning applications have been submitted.

Works in Relation to Trees

As part of the Planning Legislation, land owners are required to seek written consent from the Planning Authority to carry out works to trees within their garden ground if their properties are within a Conservation Area or covered by a Tree Preservation Order. We received a total of forty seven enquiries/requests.

There are a further seven sites which are presently having Tree Preservation Orders being prepared and served.

Enforcement Notice Appeals

There have been four appeals against Enforcement Notices. One dismissed, one partially dismissed and upheld, one is still awaiting the Reporter's decision and the other is still ongoing.

Wasteland Notices

There has been a marked increase in requests for the service of Wasteland Notices in the past six months. Whilst we have already served seven Wasteland Notices, there are a further twenty five sites which are presently being considered for the service of a Wasteland Notice. There is no single reason for this rapid increase. However, the published success of one site in Broughty Ferry has had an obvious factor in the increase of enquiries of this nature.

It is recommended that members note the foregoing information.