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Administration
of the
*Development
Act 1993*



Government of South Australia
Department of Planning,
Transport and Infrastructure

Annual Report on the
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Development Act 1993
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Minister's foreword

In compliance with section 21(1) of the *Development Act 1993*, I have prepared the following report on the administration of the Act for the period 1 July 2014 to 30 June 2015.

In compliance with sections 22(6) and 22(7a), this report includes information on the implementation of and changes to the Planning Strategy for South Australia.

Hon John Rau MP
Deputy Premier
Minister for Planning

October 2015

The planning framework

Introduction

South Australia's planning framework guides land use planning and development of the state. It has four main components:

- *Development Act 1993* and *Development Regulations 2008*
- the Planning Strategy for South Australia
- Development Plans for each council area
- Building Rules

Legislation

The *Development Act 1993* (the Act) and its associated *Development Regulations 1993* came into operation on 15 January 1994. The *Development Regulations 1993* later expired and were reissued on 1 September 2008 as the *Development Regulations 2008* (the Regulations).

The Planning Strategy for South Australia

The Act assigns responsibility to the Minister for Planning (the Minister) to prepare a Planning Strategy for the state. It provides the spatial expression of *South Australia's Strategic Plan* and is used to guide land use planning and development as well as the delivery of services and infrastructure.

The Planning Strategy facilitates planning at state, regional and local levels by providing direction on land use and development over the medium to longer term (generally 30 years). The Act requires the state government to update the Planning Strategy at least every five years.

The Planning Strategy is comprised of seven volumes. The volumes and their most recent release dates are:

- *The 30-Year Plan for Greater Adelaide* (February 2010) and *Addendum**
- *Far North Region Plan* (July 2010)
- *Kangaroo Island Plan* (January 2011) and *Addendum* (January 2014)
- *Murray and Mallee Region Plan* (January 2011) and *Addendum**
- *Yorke Peninsula Regional Land Use Framework* (December 2007) and *Mid North Region Plan* (May 2011)
- *Limestone Coast Region Plan* (August 2011)
- *Eyre and Western Region Plan* – (April 2012)

* The *Barossa Valley and McLaren Vale Character Preservation* (December 2013) is an addendum to two volumes of the Planning Strategy – the *30-Year Plan for Greater Adelaide*, and the *Murray and Mallee Region Plan*

Development Plans

There is a development plan for each of the state's 68 local council areas, as well as a development plan for areas not located within local government boundaries.

Development plans contain the zones, maps and written policies that help determine what development can and cannot be done on any piece of land within the area covered by the development plan.

Building Rules

The Building Rules include the Regulations, the Building Code and Minister's Specifications and prescribe the technical requirements that apply to building work.

The Building Code contains technical provisions for the design and construction of buildings and other structures and addresses matters including structure, fire resistance, access and egress, services and equipment, energy efficiency and certain aspects of health and amenity.

Minister's Specifications are referenced in the Regulations or in the South Australian variations to the Building Code and address specific building issues such as farm buildings, essential safety provisions and buildings in bushfire prone areas.

Changes to the planning framework in 2014-15

Legislative changes

Amendments to the *Development Act 1993*

The following changes to the Act commenced operation in the 2014-15 financial year:

Name	Purpose	Gazettal	Commencement
Consequential amendments to the Development Act in the <i>Housing and Urban Development (Administrative Arrangements)(Urban Renewal) Amendment Act 2013</i>	To enable Development Plans to be amended to adopt a precinct master plan under the <i>Urban Renewal Act 1995</i> and to facilitate the assessment of developments in a precinct established under that Act.	18-9-2014 p 5251	18-9-2014

Amendments to the *Development Regulations 2008*

The following changes to the Regulations commenced operation in the 2014-15 financial year:

Name	Purpose	Gazettal	Commencement
<i>Development (Fees) Variation Regulations 2014</i>	To implement annual fee increases in accordance with CPI increases.	19-6-2014 p 2564	1-7-2014
<i>Development (Commercial Forestry) Variation Regulations 2014</i>	To update existing provisions relating to the referral of development applications for commercial forestry operations.	26-6-2014 p 3053	1-7-2014
<i>Development (Universities) Variation Regulations 2014</i>	To facilitate the assessment of developments on university land.	10-7-2014 p 3218	10-7-2014
<i>Development (Assessment of Significant Developments) Variation Regulations 2014</i>	To facilitate the assessment of significant developments exceeding \$3 million in cost.	14-8-2014 p 4045	14-8-2014
<i>Development (Urban Renewal) Variation Regulations 2014</i>	To facilitate the assessment of developments in a precinct established under the <i>Urban Renewal Act 1995</i> .	18-9-2014 p 5262	18-9-2014
<i>Development (Assessment) Variation Regulations 2015</i>	To provide for minor variations of approved developments to be accepted without a new application and to facilitate land divisions for <i>residential code development</i> .	12-2-2015 p 774	12-2-2015
<i>Development (Port Adelaide Regional Centre Zone) Variation Regulations 2015</i>	To make the DAC the relevant authority for development exceeding \$3 million in cost in the Port Adelaide Regional Centre Zone and to establish the Port Adelaide Development Assessment Committee of DAC.	9-4-2015 p 1454	9-4-2015
<i>Development (Miscellaneous) Variation Regulations 2015</i>	To update zoning references and resolve a range of minor anomalies and interpretation issues in the Regulations.	25-6-2015 p 3091	25-6-2015

Changes to the Planning Strategy

The *Development Act 1993* requires that the various parts of the Planning Strategy are reviewed at least once in every 5 years. *The 30-Year Plan for Greater Adelaide*, a volume of the South Australian Planning Strategy, was released in February 2010, and as such is due for review.

In 2014-15 the Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure (DPTI) undertook a review of the principles, policies and targets of the 30 Year Plan. It was determined that the overall direction and principles of the Plan were still fundamentally sound and robust, and as such only a targeted update is required.

During 2014-15 DPTI, in liaison with other government agencies, and relevant local councils, commenced preparation of the targeted update.

The update will acknowledge that there have been significant changes to our economy, land supply, urban form and population, among other things, and as such will:

- account for measures implemented since the Plans release
- reflect new Government policies and directions
- update population and dwelling targets, including distribution of targets
- revises land supply assumptions, housing supply and locations for urban infill
- provide greater focus on economic development, unlocking investment potential and creation of job opportunities
- places emphasis on providing for more people living closer to where they work, services, and recreational and lifestyle opportunities.

The draft update will be released for public consultation in 2015-2016. It will have a new look and feel, and be more concise and strategic in nature.

Changes to Development Plans

Introduction

The Act provides that each council is responsible for amending the development plan for its area to reflect any changes to the Planning Strategy. The Minister can also amend development plans to address issues of state significance.

Amendments

Development Plan amendment activity for 2012-13 to 2014-15:

Development Plan amendment activity	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15
Statements of intent agreed between councils and the Minister	15	28	24
DPAs from councils approved by the Minister	22	28	35
Mean time for approved DPAs (months)	37	36	40
Median time for approved DPAs (months)	37	27	38
DPAs initiated by the Minister	4	3	3
DPAs initiated and approved by the Minister	7	12	4
Mean time for approval of DPAs initiated by the Minister (months)	23	16	23
Median time for approval of DPAs initiated by the Minister (months)	17	16	25

Source: DPTI Statutory Planning

Development Plan review

Section 30 of the Act requires councils to undertake a review of the policies contained in the development plans that relate to their area to ensure they support the objectives of the Planning Strategy. This should be done every five years, or within 12 months of a change in the Planning Strategy.

Appendix 1 shows the status of the council reports at 30 June 2015.

Changes to the Building Rules

Minister's Specification SA H3.2 – Concessions for farm buildings

A review of the Minister's Specification for farm buildings was undertaken in conjunction with an industry reference group in the latter half of 2014 to address the issues facing the sector and contribute to the long-term viability of the primary production sector of South Australia.

Amendments to the Specification removed the need for costly fire prevention measures to be installed in primary production facilities such as piggeries, poultry farms and greenhouses and removed the need for statutory referrals.

The Minister's Specification for farm buildings was adopted on 1 May 2015.

Minister's Specification SA 76 Maintenance of essential safety provisions

A review of the Minister's Specification for the maintenance of essential safety provisions was undertaken in conjunction with an industry working group in the latter half of 2014 to consider adopting the amended Australian Standard AS 1851-2012, which contains the maintenance routines for fire safety installations and equipment, in South Australia.

Amendments to the Specification give building owners opportunities for savings, the flexibility to use current standards when maintaining their essential safety provisions and provide industry with nationally consistent requirements.

The Minister's Specification for the maintenance of essential safety provisions was adopted on 1 May 2015.

Amendments to the Building Code

Amendments to the Building Code (Volumes One and Two of the National Construction Code) are subject to public consultation and technical review by the Building Codes Committee (BCC). The BCC consists of building industry representatives and the regulatory agencies of all states and territories. Building Code amendments are approved by the Australian Building Codes Board.

The latest edition was adopted on 1 May 2015.

The Building Code became freely available online from 1 May 2015 and this is expected to increase industry awareness and improve compliance.

Development assessment performance

Planning system performance

The planning system indicators program collects data on the number and timeliness of actions and decisions in areas such as development assessment, statutory referrals, appeals and compliance. It is part of a broad suite of measures used to monitor and report on planning system improvements.

The data is collected from: councils and their development assessment panels; state government agencies involved in consultation and referrals; the Development Assessment Commission; private certifiers; and the Environment, Resources and Development (ERD) Court.

The table below summarises the number of councils who have responded to the survey in each quarter, over the past 2 years. It also shows the number of councils who responded in each of the 4 quarters.

Council Returns by Quarter (out of 68)

2013-14

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	All 4 Qtrs
58	50	51	52	50

Source: DPTI Planning System Indicator database

Note: some councils provided responses for the 2013-14 financial year since last year's report

2014-15

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	All 4 Qtrs*
50	50	50	51	50

Source: DPTI Planning System Indicator database

* number of councils that reported in every quarter of that financial year.

Note: 50 councils responded in all 8 quarters between 2013-14 and 2014-15

Over the past 2 years, 50 of the 68 councils have provided data in each quarter. In order to provide a meaningful comparison between financial years, the tables below show data only for the councils, private certifiers and referral agents who have responded in every quarter in both 2013-14 and 2014-15, as an indicator of relative performance of the planning system.

See Appendix 3 for tables containing all data provided in the 2014-15 reporting year.

Development plan consents

Development applications lodged, approved or refused:

2013-14

Development plan category	Lodged	Approved	Refused
Schedule 4 complying (includes Res Code)	2 330	2 260	4
Merit	24 691	21 589	519
Non-complying	296	142	67
Total	27 317	23 991	590

Source: DPTI Planning System Indicator database

2014-15

Development plan category	Lodged	Approved	Refused
Schedule 4 complying (includes Res Code)	2 356	2 303	3
Merit	22 643	20 754	554
Non-complying	342	154	47
Total	25 341	23 211	604

Source: DPTI Planning System Indicator database

Median number of calendar days for applications to be approved by the authority according to the following categories (for each quarter):

2013-14

Development plan category	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Schedule 4 complying	10.0	9.0	16.0	8.5
Schedule 4 Res Code complying	10.5	8.0	8.5	8.0
Category 1 merit	20.0	17.0	19.5	19.5
Category 2 merit	34.0	34.5	39.5	35.0
Category 3 merit	42.0	48.0	62.5	52.0

Source: DPTI Planning System Indicator database

2014-15

Development plan category	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Schedule 4 complying	12.0	9.0	10.5	9.0
Schedule 4 Res Code complying	8.5	10.0	8.5	9.0
Category 1 merit	21.0	16.5	18.5	17.0
Category 2 merit	35.0	34.0	43.5	32.0
Category 3 merit	56.0	52.0	66.0	62.0

Source: DPTI Planning System Indicator database

Time within which further information was supplied (if requested):

Information received	2013-14	2014-15
Within 30 days	13 897	14 663
Beyond 30 days	5 287	6 330
Total	19 184	20 993

Source: DPTI Planning System Indicator database

Number of applications lodged (in the three public notification categories):

Category	2013-14	2014-15
Category 1	22 762	21 472
Category 2	3 125	3 105
Category 3	577	659
Total	26 464	25 236

Source: DPTI Planning System Indicator database

Planning consents issued by each type of relevant authority:

Relevant authority	2013-14	2014-15
Development Assessment Commission	237	576
Regional Development Assessment Panel	101	290
Officer of the authority under delegation	29 026	27 259
Total	29 364	28 125

Source: DPTI Planning System Indicator database

Building rules consents

Building rules consent applications lodged, approved or refused:

Consents	2013-14	2014-15
Lodged	34 413	34 429
Approved	34 253	34 269
Refused	181	184

Source: DPTI Planning System Indicator database

Note: Only Councils and Private Certifiers who responded in all eight quarters in 2012-13 and 2013-14 are included

Schedule 1A building rules consent-only applications assessed:

Application type assessed	2013-14	2014-15
Schedule 1A building rules consent only	5 124	5 928

Source: DPTI Planning System Indicator database

Median number of calendar days for Schedule 1A building rules consent-only applications to be approved by the authority (for each quarter):

2013-14

Application type assessed	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Schedule 1A building rules consent only	8.0	6.0	7.0	10.0

Source: DPTI Planning System Indicator database

2014-15

Application type assessed	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Schedule 1A building rules consent only	8.0	8.0	7.0	7.0

Source: DPTI Planning System Indicator database

Referrals

Statutory referrals made under Schedule 8 of the *Development Regulations 2008*:

Referral item	2013-14	2014-15
Total number of referrals received	1 966	2 223
Total number of referrals responded to within the statutory timeframe	1 718	1 926
Total number of referrals responded to outside the statutory timeframe	193	226
Number of requests for further information that were made	212	263
Number of applicant responses that were received	196	197
Number of non statutory referrals received	679	383

Source: DPTI Planning System Indicator database

Note: Only Referral Agents who responded in all eight quarters in 2012-13 and 2013-14 are included

Appeals

Appeal process	2013-14	2014-15
Applicant appeals:		
Appeals lodged with the ERD Court	173	155
Appeals resolved without the need for a hearing	137	153
Appeals that resulted in the confirmation of a decision	7	19
Appeals that resulted in the variation of a decision	3	3
Appeals that resulted in the reversal of a decision	4	2
Third party appeals:		
Appeals lodged with the ERD Court	32	70
Appeals resolved without the need for a hearing	9	56
Appeals that resulted in the confirmation of a decision	2	2
Appeals that resulted in the variation of a decision	0	0
Appeals that resulted in the reversal of a decision	3	6

Source: DPTI Planning System Indicator database

Land division approvals

Land divisions for which a certificate of approval has been issued by the Development Assessment Commission:

Land division	2013-14	2014-15
Certificate of approval issued	2 775	3 018

Source: DPTI Electronic Land Division Lodgement System (EDALA) – all land use types

For further information about land division activity in South Australia, please refer to the DPTI Land Development Activity Report at <http://www.sa.gov.au/topics/housing-property-and-land/local-government/land-supply-monitoring>

Planning and Development Fund

The Planning and Development Fund is administered by the Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure. The Act requires developers to provide open space at the time of land division or to make a payment into the Fund.

In 2014-15 the Fund provided \$14.6 million towards public realm and open space projects across the state. Appendix 2 provides a breakdown of the funds allocated by project.

Improving open space and recreational facilities

The government has continued to provide investment in a range of projects to purchase, plan and develop public and open space across the state. These initiatives have progressed the open space targets of the 30-Year Plan and have delivered on the government's commitment to provide investment into local reserves and playgrounds.

Open space and Places for People grant programs

In 2014-15, the program provided \$10.5 million in grants to local government through the Open Space and Places for People grant programs.

The Open Space program provides funding support to local government for the purchase, development or planning of public open space.

The Places for People program provides funding support for the development of urban design frameworks and guidelines, concept designs, design development and capital works prominent public places in cities, suburbs and urban centres.

Other projects

In 2014-15, the program provided \$4.1 million towards public space and strategic planning projects through direct strategic investment in state government projects.

Appendix 1: Status of council strategic directions reports (SDRs) at 30 June 2015

Council	Year when the last SDR was approved	Timeline to prepare a new SDR	Progress of SDR
BAROSSA, LIGHT & LOWER NORTH REGION			
Barossa	2014	Under review*	
Gawler	2001	December 2012	lodged for agreement – June 2015
Light	2015	Under review*	
Mallala	2013	Under review*	
NORTHERN ADELAIDE REGION			
Playford	2015	Under review*	
Port Adelaide Enfield (part)	2013	Under review*	
Salisbury	2013	Under review*	
Tea Tree Gully	2012	Under review*	
WESTERN ADELAIDE REGION			
Charles Sturt	2014	Under review*	
Port Adelaide Enfield (part)	2013	Under review*	
West Torrens	2015	Under review*	
EASTERN ADELAIDE REGION			
Adelaide	2009	Under review*	Exempted – 28 October 2013
Burnside	1997	December 2012	lodged for agreement
Campbelltown	2013	Under review*	
Norwood, Payneham & St Peters	2003	December 2012	Seeks exemption given progress of Strategic DPAs.
Prospect	2002	December 2012	Seeks exemption given progress of Strategic DPAs
Unley	2014	Under review*	
Walkerville	2013	Under review*	
SOUTHERN ADELAIDE REGION			
Holdfast Bay	2014	Under review*	
Marion	2014	Under review*	
Mitcham	2014	Under review*	
Onkaparinga	2015	Under review*	
ADELAIDE HILLS REGION			
Adelaide Hills	2003	June 2012	lodged for agreement
Mount Barker	2014	Under review*	
FLEURIEU & KANGAROO ISLAND REGION			
Alexandrina	1999	June 2013	Overdue
Victor Harbor	2002	March 2013	Agreement on hold
Yankalilla	No record	June 2012	Lodged for agreement – December 2014
Kangaroo Island	2004	June 2013	Preparation in progress

* Under review – SDRs may not be required in future if the proposed Planning, Development and Infrastructure Bill 2015 is passed through parliament

Council	Year when the last SDR was approved	Timeline to prepare a new SDR	Progress of SDR
EYRE & WESTERN REGION (Plan adopted April 2012)			
Ceduna	2003	Not relevant	
Cleve	1998	Not relevant	
Elliston	2002	Not relevant	
Franklin Harbour	1999	Not relevant	
Kimba	2004	Not relevant	
Lower Eyre Peninsula	2002	Not relevant	
Port Lincoln	2002	Not relevant	
Streaky Bay	2002	Not relevant	
Tumby Bay	2004	Not relevant	
Whyalla	2006	Not relevant	
Wudinna	2004	Not relevant	
FAR NORTH REGION (Plan adopted July 2010)			
Cooper Pedy	2014	Not relevant	
Flinders Ranges	2015	Not relevant	
Port Augusta	2007	Not relevant	Requirements for Agreement sent 28 May 2014
Roxby Downs	1999	Not relevant	Being prepared
YORKE & MID NORTH REGION (Plans adopted December 2007 & May 2011)			
Barunga West	1999	Not relevant	
Clare & Gilbert Valleys	2014	Not relevant	
Copper Coast	2006	Not relevant	
Goyder	2013	Not relevant	
Mount Remarkable	1999	Not relevant	
Northern Areas	2003	Not relevant	To commence SDR in 2014
Orroroo Carrieton	No record	Not relevant	
Peterborough	1998	Not relevant	
Port Pirie	2011	2016	
Wakefield	2005	Not relevant	
Yorke Peninsula	1998	Not relevant	Lodged for agreement – March 2015
MURRAY MALLEE REGION (Plan adopted January 2011)			
Berri Barmera	2014	Not relevant	
Coorong	2012	2017	
Karoonda East Murray	2002	Not relevant	
Loxton Waikerie	2014	Not relevant	
Mid Murray	2002	Not relevant	
Murray Bridge	2014	Not relevant	
Renmark Paringa	2014	Not relevant	
Southern Mallee	1998	Not relevant	
LIMESTONE COAST REGION (Plan adopted August 2011)			
Grant	2002	Not relevant	Regional SDR withdrawn
Kingston	2002	Not relevant	Regional SDR withdrawn
Mount Gambier	2002	Not relevant	Regional SDR withdrawn
Naracoorte Lucindale	2002	Not relevant	Regional SDR withdrawn
Robe	2014	Not relevant	
Tatiara	2002	Not relevant	Regional SDR withdrawn
Wattle Range	2002	Not relevant	Regional SDR withdrawn

Appendix 2: Expenditure from the Planning and Development Fund at 30 June 2015

Recipient	Project	Grant \$
Open Space and Places for People grant program		
Adelaide City Council	Adelaide Park Lands Trail — Stage 10	277 605
Alexandrina Council	Goolwa Terrace and BF Laurie Lane Revitalisation	557 125
Barossa Council	Talunga Park Atrium and Amenities	95 000
City of Campbelltown	Jan Street Newton Precinct Place Making Project	202 500
District Council of Ceduna	Ceduna Foreshore Open Space Development — Stage 2	90 000
City of Charles Sturt	Point Malcolm and Beachway Reserve Playspaces	250 000
City of Charles Sturt	Develop a River Torrens Linear Park Integrated Asset Management Plan	40 000
Coorong District Council	Meningie Playground Replacement Project	90 910
Light Regional Council	Kapunda Land Main Street Purchase	170 000
Light Regional Council	Hewett Reserve Playspace	125 000
District Council of Loxton Waikerie	Waikerie CBD Revitalisation	25 000
City of Marion	Jervois Street Reserve	300 000
City of Marion	Edwardstown Soldiers Memorial	250 000
City of Marion	Oaklands Inclusive Playspace	250 000
City of Marion	South Bank Boulevard Reserve	100 000
City of Marion	Trott Park Dog Park	100 000
Mid Murray Council	Open Space Recreation and Public Realm Strategy	50 000
City of Mitcham	Sturt River and Minno Creek Linear Park — Land Acquisitions	99 275
District Council of Mount Barker	Mount Barker Land Purchase	500 000
City of Mount Gambier	Mount Gambier Rail Trail / Shared Cycling & Walking Path	250 000
City of Onkaparinga	Sturt River Linear Park — Stage 3	726 000
City of Onkaparinga	Dog Park in Aldinga/Seaford	200 000
City of Onkaparinga	Sturt River Linear Park Purchase	95 000
City of Onkaparinga	Sturt River Land Purchase	84 758
City of Playford	Smith Creek Linear Park — Stebonheath Park to Curtis Wetland	400 000
City of Playford	Angle Vale Playspace	125 000
City of Port Adelaide Enfield	Roy Marten Park	691 756
Port Augusta City Council	Eastside Jetty — Reconstructing Port Augusta's Foreshore	550 000
City of Port Lincoln	Heritage Linear Trail — Stage 3 (final)	163 000
Port Pirie Regional Council	Port Pirie City Centre Regeneration — Stage 1	1 393 000
Roxby Council	Richardson Place — Detailed Design and Documentation	89 600
City of Tea Tree Gully	Civic Park Redevelopment	325 000

Recipient	Project	Grant \$
City of Tea Tree Gully	Shannon Reserve Playground	75 000
City of Tea Tree Gully	Fairview Park Reserve	75 000
City of Tea Tree Gully	Canopus Reserve Shade Sails	50 000
City of Tea Tree Gully	Cronulla Reserve Shade	50 000
City of Tea Tree Gully	Bell Reserve upgrade	50 000
City of Tea Tree Gully	Illyarrie Reserve Playground	200 000
City of Tea Tree Gully	Nagle Reserve Playground	100 000
City of Unley	Katherine Street — Local Park Development	300 000
City of Victor Harbor	Victor Harbor Foreshore Promenade — Stage 3	150 000
City of Victor Harbor	Victor Harbor Mainstreet Precinct Master Plan — Stage 1	479 980
City of Whyalla	Whyalla Wetlands regeneration Project — Stage 2	220 000
District Council of Yankalilla	Bridge Construction Bungala Park — Normanville	90 000
Total		10 505 509
Other public space and planning projects		
Renewal SA	Riverbank Precinct	2 060 000
DPTI	Planning Strategy - Implementation Projects	1 000 000
DPTI	Vibrant City Funding	1 056 512
Total		4 116 512
TOTAL PAYMENTS FROM THE FUND		<u>14 622 021</u>

Appendix 3: Planning system performance 2014-15 (using all available data)

Development plan consents

Development plans lodged, approved or refused:

Development plan category	Lodged	Approved	Refused
Schedule 4 complying (includes Res Code)	2 356	2 303	3
Merit	22 656	20 762	554
Non-complying	342	154	47
Total	25 354	23 219	604

Source: DPTI Planning System Indicator database

Median number of calendar days for applications to be approved by the authority according to the following categories (for each quarter):

Development plan category	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Schedule 4 complying	12.0	9.0	10.5	9.0
Schedule 4 Res Code complying	8.5	10.0	8.5	9.0
Category 1 merit	21.0	16.5	18.5	17.0
Category 2 merit	35.0	34.0	43.5	32.0
Category 3 merit	56.0	52.0	66.0	62.0

Source: DPTI Planning System Indicator database

Time within which further information was supplied (if requested):

Information received	Number
Within 30 days	14 680
Beyond 30 days	6 331
Total	21 011

Source: DPTI Planning System Indicator database

Number of applications lodged (in the three public notification categories):

Category	Number
Category 1	21 480
Category 2	3 105
Category 3	659
Total	25 244

Source: DPTI Planning System Indicator database

Planning consents issued by each type of relevant authority:

Relevant authority	Number
Development Assessment Commission	576
Regional Development Assessment Panel	290
Officer of the authority under delegation	27 267
Total	28 133

Source: DPTI Planning System Indicator database

Building rules consents

Building rules consent applications lodged, approved or refused:

Consents	Number
Lodged	34 641
Approved	34 480
Refused	184

Source: DPTI Planning System Indicator database

Schedule 1A building rules consent-only applications assessed:

Application type assessed	Number
Schedule 1A building rules consent only	5 928

Source: DPTI Planning System Indicator database

Median number of calendar days for Schedule 1A building rules consent-only applications to be approved by the authority (for each quarter):

Application type assessed	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Schedule 1A building rules consent only	8.0	8.0	7.0	7.0

Source: DPTI Planning System Indicator database

Referrals

Statutory referrals made under Schedule 8:

Referral item	Number
Total number of referrals received	2 527
Total number of referrals responded to within the statutory timeframe	2 099
Total number of referrals responded to outside the statutory timeframe	288
Number of requests for further information that were made	316
Number of applicant responses that were received	250
Number of non statutory referrals received	457

Source: DPTI Planning System Indicator database

Appeals

Appeal process	Number
Applicant appeals:	
Appeals lodged with the ERD Court	155
Appeals resolved without the need for a hearing	153
Appeals that resulted in the confirmation of a decision	19
Appeals that resulted in the variation of a decision	3
Appeals that resulted in the reversal of a decision	2
Third party appeals:	
Appeals lodged with the ERD Court	70
Appeals resolved without the need for a hearing	56
Appeals that resulted in the confirmation of a decision	2
Appeals that resulted in the variation of a decision	0
Appeals that resulted in the reversal of a decision	6

Source: DPTI Planning System Indicator database

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