

Chair of Development Control Committee Report – 22nd July 2021 Full Council

The Council's planning department remains busy and continues to see an increase in the number of applications for planning permission.

From January this year up to the end of June we have seen an increase of 106 applications compared with the same period for last year, which represents a 37% increase.

This is very positive news for the Town and will help support the strengthening economy as we move out of lockdown.

Committee has also been busy dealing with planning applications in recent weeks and have approved the conversion of a former office block at Bank Parade to residential units.

Applications for a change of use and conversion of disused buildings is an important strand of the planning system that allows us to support not just new development but the effective reuse of our existing assets to meet current and future needs.

Councillor Saeed Chaudhary

Development Control Committee Chair

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