

Report on	Building Control Workload
Date of Meeting	9 th February 2021
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1.0	Purpose of Report		
1.1	To provide Members with an update on the workload analysis for Building Control across Mid-Ulster District Council.		
2.0	Background		
2.1	<p>Building Control applications are received in three different forms:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a Full Applications - submitted with detailed working drawings. b Building Notices - minor work not usually requiring detailed plans, e.g. provision of insulation to roof space, etc. c Regularisation Applications – where work has been carried out without an approval, an application must be submitted for retrospective approval. 		
3.0	Main Report		
3.1	Workload Analysis	January 2021	Accumulative 2020/21
	Total number of Applications	161	1225
	Full plans applications received	90	592
	Building Notices applications received	63	523
	Regularisation applications received	8	110
	Estimated value of works submitted	£24,126,022	£128,445,248
	Number of inspections carried out by Building Control Officers	606	5431

	Commencements	156	1204
	Domestic Dwellings	64	514
	Domestic alterations and Extensions	85	590
	Non-Domestic work	7	100
	Completions	137	936
	Domestic Dwellings	52	443
	Domestic alterations and Extensions	77	437
	Non-Domestic work	8	56
	Property Certificates Received	192	1459
3.2	As previously indicated, the Building Control Department have continued to provide a full service to the Public as required during the Covid-19 Pandemic.		
3.3	It should be noted from the Workload Analysis in 3.1, that the full range of applications are being received and administered in accordance with our procedures and performance criteria.		
3.4	During the initial stages of Covid-19, the number of applications submitted as well as the number of requested inspections reduced considerably as the result of the initial lockdown. However, it should be noted that the demand for the service has increased over the past number of months.		
3.5	It is currently difficult to assess the continued impact of Covid-19 on the local construction sector but to date there appears to have been a higher than anticipated level of resilience producing a strong level of activity both in the construction sector as well as in the property sales sector.		
4.0	Other Considerations		
4.1	Financial, Human Resources & Risk Implications		
	Financial: Within Current Resources		
	Human: Within Current Resources		
	Risk Management: None		

4.2	Screening & Impact Assessments
	Equality & Good Relations Implications: None
	Rural Needs Implications: None
5.0	Recommendation(s)
5.1	Members are requested to note the content of this report.
6.0	Documents Attached & References
6.1	Appendix 1 – List of significant applications received by Building Control.