

Report to	Planning Committee
Date	13 February 2025
By	Director of Planning
Title of Report	Summary of appeal decisions from 21 September 2024 – 23 January 2025
Purpose of Report	To update SDNPA Members on appeal decisions received

Recommendation:

The Committee is recommended to note the outcome of appeal decisions

I. Overview

- I.1 The attached table (**Appendix I**), ordered by date of decision, provides Members with a summary and brief commentary on the appeal decisions received in the period. This covers both those appeals dealt with by the host authorities and directly by the South Downs National Park Authority.
- I.2 From the 21 September 2024 to 23 January 2025:
- 42 appeal decisions were received, of which 34 were dismissed, 7 were allowed and 1 was a split decision (the majority of the proposals were dismissed with a smaller discrete element allowed).
 - 3 applications for an award of costs were made against the Authority and 1 application was made by the Authority against an appellant, all were refused.
 - There was one judicial review (JR) application decision related to an appellant seeking an award of costs. During the original appeal decision, the Inspector refused the appellant's cost application as they deemed that the Authority had not acted unreasonably. The appellant sought to JR the Inspector's decision to refuse an award of costs. The application for permission to apply for JR was refused.
- I.3 The Authority's appeal performance in the 2024 / 25 financial year to date is 83% dismissed.

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Appendices: Appendix I - Summary of Appeal Decisions
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