

UPDATE ON PREVIOUS ACTIONS

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Ongoing Actions Completed Since the O&S Meeting of 5 December 2022																																																		
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		<p>The information below (plus a further breakdown in the Bands A to D) was circulated by email on 7 December 2022:</p> <p><u>Average waiting time for Fenland applicants - figures based on the period 01/04/2022 - 31/10/2022</u></p> <p>ALL BANDS</p> <table><tr><th>Type / Size</th><th>No. of Lets</th><th>Shortest wait</th><th>Longest wait</th><th>Average wait</th></tr><tr><td>Sheltered accomm.</td><td>27</td><td>3 days</td><td>18 months</td><td>7 months</td></tr><tr><td>Studio general needs</td><td>0</td><td></td><td></td><td></td></tr><tr><td>1-bed general needs</td><td>47</td><td>4 weeks</td><td>3 years</td><td>7 months</td></tr><tr><td>2-bed flat or maisonette</td><td>21</td><td>12 weeks</td><td>32 months</td><td>10 months</td></tr><tr><td>2-bed house</td><td>32</td><td>4 months</td><td>5 years</td><td>10 months</td></tr><tr><td>3-bed flat or maisonette</td><td>1</td><td>7 months</td><td>7 months</td><td>7 months</td></tr><tr><td>3-bed house</td><td>19</td><td>11 weeks</td><td>28 months</td><td>9 months</td></tr><tr><td>4-bed</td><td>2</td><td>16 months</td><td>3 years</td><td>27 months</td></tr><tr><td>5-bed</td><td>0</td><td></td><td></td><td></td></tr></table>		Type / Size	No. of Lets	Shortest wait	Longest wait	Average wait	Sheltered accomm.	27	3 days	18 months	7 months	Studio general needs	0				1-bed general needs	47	4 weeks	3 years	7 months	2-bed flat or maisonette	21	12 weeks	32 months	10 months	2-bed house	32	4 months	5 years	10 months	3-bed flat or maisonette	1	7 months	7 months	7 months	3-bed house	19	11 weeks	28 months	9 months	4-bed	2	16 months	3 years	27 months	5-bed	0
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2.	05.12.22	The panel asked if there are any military covenant residents on the housing register and if so, how many.	Complete																																															

		<p>The Information below was circulated by email on 7 December 2022:</p> <p>We currently have 23 applicants on the housing register who have stated they are currently serving or have previously served in the British armed forces.</p>	
3.	05.12.22	<p>The panel asked that Clarion provide an explanation of the housing bands A to D in relation to people on the housing register.</p>	Complete
		<p>The information below was circulated by email on 23 December 2022:</p> <p>Please see the link below, where you will find that Section 4 explains the bands.</p> <p>LETTINGS POLICY July 2021.pdf (fenland.gov.uk)</p>	
4.	05.12.22	<p>The panel requested information on whether people on the housing register are all local or if it includes people wanting to move into the Fenland area.</p>	Complete
		<p>The information below was circulated by email on 6 January 2023:</p> <p>We have 1452 live applicants who live in FDC and have local connection and 129 live applicants who live outside of FDC and have local connection to FDC</p> <p>All the applicants that are live have provided proof of local connection.</p> <p>When an applicant completes the application form... one of the first questions are ‘Do you have a local connection to the local authority’... if they select No then they won’t be able to complete the rest of the application, so all the applicants state they do have local connection and homelink assesses if they can prove this connection.</p>	
5.	05.12.22	<p>All members to be reminded of the regional director email address for their use to contact Clarion with housing issues raised by their ward members.</p>	Complete
		<p>Email circulated by Member Services to all members on 6 January 2023, containing the regional director email address and a reminder to copy Dan Horn in all correspondence.</p>	
ONGOING ACTIONS			
1.	07.02.22	<p>Request to invite the Mayor of Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority to attend a future meeting of O&S to discuss the levelling-up agenda for Fenland.</p>	ASAP
		<p>Mayor Johnson was due to attend a meeting of the O&S Panel on 5 December 2022 but is now on a 3-month leave of absence.</p>	

		<p>Arrangements were made for Cllr Anna Smith to attend instead but notification was received on 24 November that this was no longer possible due to other mayoral commitments. Future attendance to be arranged.</p> <p>Update: Cllr Smith is unavailable for O&S on 27 February 2023, but Member Services have been in discussion with the mayor's office and a calendar appointment has been sent to Mayor Johnson in the anticipation that he will be able to attend and his office will confirm nearer the time.</p>	
2.		<p>Councillor Booth would like to know what is happening about bus stops being placed in areas to prevent traffic hold ups on the A47 as part of the project installing the Guyhirn roundabout.</p> <p>Tim Bellamy, Interim head of Transport at CPCA to provide this information. Member Services have sent an email reminder on 6 January 2023.</p>	Ongoing

WATCHING BRIEF ITEMS

1.	8.11.2021	<p>Cllr Booth requested a watching brief on Peterborough City Council's planning review and how this may affect Fenland</p> <p>The arrangements that Fenland District Council has in place with Peterborough City Council remain in the following areas:</p> <p>Development Management</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shared support manager • Viability validation assessments that are required relating to S106 agreements Planning Policy • The work required to get a new adopted local plan. <p>Peterborough City Council's planning review is ongoing as is our continued engagement with them in relation to the possible outcomes. Meanwhile we have been pleased to announce that Nick Harding, Head of Planning, has agreed to continue his work as Head of Planning at FDC as he always has done, and this means no change in service for FDC as was emailed to all members before Christmas.</p> <p>A further update was provided from Dan Horn on the 11th January 2022 as follows:</p> <p>"The arrangements that Fenland District Council has in place with Peterborough City Council remain in the following areas:</p> <p>Development Management</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shared support manager • Viability validation assessments that are required relating to S106 agreements <p>Planning Policy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The work required to get a new adopted local plan. <p>Peterborough City Council's planning review is ongoing as is our continued engagement with them in relation to the possible outcomes. Meanwhile we have been pleased to announce that Nick Harding, Head of Planning, has agreed to continue his work as Head of Planning at FDC as he always has done, and this means no change in service for FDC as was emailed to all members before</p>	Under ongoing review.
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