

Title of Report:	Statutory Consultations Annual Performance Report		
Committee Report Submitted To:	Planning Committee		
Date of Meeting:	22 October 2025		
For Decision or For Information	For Information		
To be discussed In Committee YES/NO	No		
Linkage to Council Strategy (2021-25)			
Strategic Theme	Cohesive Leadership		
Outcome	Council has agreed policies and procedures and decision making is consistent with them		
Lead Officer	Head of Planning		
Estimated Timescale for Completion			
Date to be Completed	N/A		
Budgetary Considerations			
Cost of Proposal	Nil		
Included in Current Year Estimates			
Capital/Revenue			
Code			
Staffing Costs			
Legal Considerations			
Input of Legal Services Required	NO		
Legal Opinion Obtained	NO		
Screening Requirements	Required for new or revised Policies, Plans, Strategies or Service Delivery Proposals.		
Section 75 Screening	Screening Completed:	N/A	Date:
	EQIA Required and Completed:	N/A	Date:
Rural Needs Assessment (RNA)	Screening Completed	N/A	Date:
	RNA Required and Completed:	N/A	Date:
Data Protection Impact Assessment (DPIA)	Screening Completed:	N/A	Date:
	DPIA Required and Completed:	N/A	Date:

1.0 Purpose of Report

- 1.1** The purpose of this report is to advise Members of the DfI publication on the Statutory Consultations Annual Performance Report 2024/25.

2.0 Background

- 2.1** Schedule 3 of the Planning (General Development Procedure) Order (Northern Ireland) 2015 (as amended) (“the GDPO”) sets out the statutory consultees that are required to be consulted on specified circumstances by council before determining an application for planning permission as required under Article 13 and 14 of the GDPO. and are subject to a duty to respond.
- 2.2** Section 229(2)(b) of the Planning Act (Northern Ireland) 2011 sets out the duty to respond to consultation by those consulted under Articles 13 and 14 of the GDPO. Article 15 of the GDPO sets out the period of time for response of a period of 21 days beginning with the day on which the council is satisfied that it has supplied the statutory consultee with the information it believes necessary for the consultee to make a substantive response ; or, any other such period as may be agreed in writing between the consultee and the council.

3.0 Details

- 3.1** **Website link 1** <https://www.infrastructure-ni.gov.uk/publications/ni-statutory-planning-consultations-annual-performance-report-202425> provides the link to the published report. This report highlights the performance of statutory consultees in the planning process. It provides details of the volume of statutory consultation that has taken place during 2024/25 business year with comparative information for earlier years.
- 3.2** The figures contained within the report are extracted from the Planning Portals, are management information, and should not be treated or considered as official statistics.
- 3.3** During 2024/25 the proportion of statutory consultations responded to on time was 77%, an increase of 3% when compared to the previous year. For local applications, the response rate on-time was 79% whilst for major applications the response rate was 61% across Northern Ireland. For Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council, 88% of statutory consultee responses were received on time for local applications and 61% for major applications, with an overall 87% of responses received on time.

4.0 Recommendation

- 4.1** **IT IS RECOMMENDED** that the Planning Committee note the DfI publication on the Statutory Consultations Annual Performance Report 2024/25.