

WCC Local Enforcement Plan Consultation Feb 2025

Question	Response
Do you like the format of the Local Enforcement Plan?	Neutral
Is it clear what steps the council will take when an enforcement complaint is made?	Yes
Do you understand how we would communicate with you in the first instance if you make a complaint about an enforcement matter?	Yes
Is it clear how we will communicate with all interested parties concerning an enforcement complaint?	Yes

Is it clear how enforcement complaint cases are prioritised?	Not entirely. Priority 2 cases are investigated within a time frame and priority order <i>at the discretion of the Enforcement Team Leader</i>. This groups together some arguably very serious breaches with others much less so, and also leaves the process open to interpretation. What are the time frames? The difference is not clear between 'Unauthorised works to ... ancient monuments' (priority 1) and 'Building / engineering works that are causing harm or are likely to cause harm to ... a scheduled ancient monument ...' (priority 2).
Please provide any comments on the proposed enforcement actions?	Enforcement investigations can be closed where 'The development has become lawful (due to time elapsed),'. When there are live cases which were initially reported over 7 years ago (e.g. SDNP/18/00069/COU), surely there should be measures in place to ensure that elapsed time does not become a reason to close a case?

Do you have any further comments on the Local Enforcement Plan?

No embedded links to web pages.

No page numbers.

P4 - 'A map is included at the end of this document to show which parts of the district are within the national park.' Map doesn't appear to be included.

P10 - 'Examples of key stages' text duplicated.

Appendix 2; bullet point 8 - 'Properties as long as they are incidental to the enjoyment of the property,' does not appear to make sense.