

neighbouring properties and importantly the occupants of 33 Pilot Street. Furthermore, the impact of the large metal container, along with a substantial volume of the building equipment and materials give the surrounding streetscape an industrial feel which significantly diminishes the established visual and residential amenity of the area. To this end, the unauthorised development is deemed to be contrary to the policy STRAT DC 1 '*Development within the Settlement*' of the Argyll & Bute Structure Plan 2002 and policies LP ENV 1 '*Development Impact on the General Environment*', LP ENV 19 '*Development Setting, Layout & Design*' and LP BAD 1 '*Bad Neighbour Development*' of the Argyll & Bute Local Plan 2009 along with Scottish Government publications – '*Scottish Planning Policy*' (February 2010) and Circular 10/1999 - '*Planning Enforcement*' (September 2009).

5. WHAT YOU ARE REQUIRED TO DO

- (i) Cease the unauthorised use of this garden ground as a builder's yard.
- (ii) Remove the remaining metal storage container.
- (iii) Remove all building materials and equipment which includes all timbers, plastic piping, aggregates, tools, plant machinery, trailer, ladders, scaffolding and plastic containers.
- (iv) Reinststate the land to garden ground to the satisfaction of the Planning Authority.

Time period for compliance:

Enforcement Sections of the Town & Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997

Enforcement notices

- Issue of enforcement notice.
- 127.** - (1) The planning authority may issue a notice (in this Act referred to as an "enforcement notice") where it appears to them-
- (a) that there has been a breach of planning control, and
 - (b) that it is expedient to issue the notice, having regard to the provisions of the development plan and to any other material considerations.
- (2) A copy of an enforcement notice shall be served-
- (a) on the owner and on the occupier of the land to which it relates, and
 - (b) on any other person having an interest in the land, being an interest which, in the opinion of the authority, is materially affected by the notice.
- (3) The service of the notice shall take place-
- (a) not more than 28 days after its date of issue, and
 - (b) not less than 28 days before the date specified in it as the date on which it is to take effect.
- Contents and effect of notice.
- 128.** - (1) An enforcement notice shall state-
- (a) the matters which appear to the planning authority to constitute the breach of planning control, and
 - (b) the paragraph of section 123(1) within which, in the opinion of the authority, the breach falls.
- (2) A notice complies with subsection (1)(a) if it enables any person on whom a copy of it is served to know what those matters are.
- (3) An enforcement notice shall specify the steps which the authority require to be taken, or the activities which the authority require to cease, in order to achieve, wholly

Variation and withdrawal of enforcement notice.

129. - (1) The planning authority may-

(a) withdraw an enforcement notice issued by them, or

(b) waive or relax any requirement of such a notice and, in particular, may extend any period specified in accordance with section 128(9).

(2) The powers conferred by subsection (1) may be exercised whether or not the notice has taken effect.

(3) The planning authority shall, immediately after exercising the powers conferred by subsection (1), give notice of the exercise to every person who has been served with a copy of the enforcement notice or would, if the notice were reissued, be served with a copy of it.

(4) The withdrawal of an enforcement notice does not affect the power of the planning authority to issue a further enforcement notice.

Appeal against enforcement notice.

130. - (1) A person on whom an enforcement notice is served or any other person having an interest in the land may, at any time before the date specified in the notice as the date on which it is to take effect, appeal to the Secretary of State against the notice on any of the following grounds-

(a) that, in respect of any breach of planning control which may be constituted by the matters stated in the notice, planning permission ought to be granted or, as the case may be, the condition or limitation concerned ought to be discharged;

(b) that those matters have not occurred;

(c) that those matters (if they occurred) do not constitute a breach of planning control;

(d) that, at the date when the notice was issued, no enforcement action could be taken in respect of any breach of planning control which may be constituted by those matters;

(e) that copies of the enforcement notice were not served as required by section 127;

(f) that the steps required by the notice to be taken, or the activities required by the notice to cease, exceed what is necessary to remedy any breach of planning control which may be constituted by those matters or, as the case may be, to remedy any injury to amenity which has been caused by any such breach;

(g)

Secretary of State before the date specified in the enforcement notice as the date on which it is to take effect, or

(b) by sending such notice to him in a properly addressed and prepaid letter posted to him at such time that, in the ordinary course of post, it would be delivered to him before that date.

(3) A person who gives notice under subsection (2) shall submit to the Secretary of State, either when giving the notice or within the prescribed time, a statement in writing-

(a) specifying the grounds on which he is appealing against the enforcement notice, and

(b) giving such further information as may be prescribed.

Appeals: supplementary provisions.

131. - (1) The Secretary of State may by regulations prescribe the procedure which is to be followed on appeals under section 130 and, in particular, but without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing provisions of this subsection, in so prescribing may-

(a) specify the matters on which information is to be given in a statement under section 130(3);

(b) require the planning authority to submit, within such time as may be specified, a statement indicating the submissions which they propose to put forward on the appeal;

(c) specify the matters to be included in such a statement;

(d) require the authority o23.04 r3 (ed.)-17e as e(s)-{

appropriate, directions for quashing the enforcement notice.

(2) On such an appeal the Secretary of State may-

(a) correct any defect, error or misdescription in the enforcement notice, or

(b) vary the terms of the enforcement notice,

if he is satisfied that the correction or variation will not cause injustice to the appellant or the planning authority.

(3) The Secretary of State may-

(a) dismiss an appeal if the appellant fails to comply with section 130(3) within the prescribed time, and

(b) allow an appeal and quash the enforcement notice if the planning authority fail to comply with any requirement imposed by virtue of paragraph (b), (c) or (e) of section 131(1).

(4) Where it would otherwise be a ground for determining an appeal in favour of the appellant that a person required by section 127(2) to be served with a copy of the enforcement notice was not served, the Secretary of State may disregard that fact if neither the appellant nor that person has been substantially prejudiced by the failure to serve him.

Grant or modification of planning permission on appeal against enforcement notice.

133. - (1) On the determination of an appeal under section 130, the Secretary of State may-

(a) grant planning permission in respect of any of the matters stated in the enforcement notice as constituting a breach of planning control or any of those matters so far as relating to part of the land to which the notice relates,

(b) discharge any condition or limitation subject to which planning permission was granted,

(c) grant planning permission for such other development on the land to which the enforcement notice relates as appears to him to be appropriate, and

(d)

treated as having been given by the Secretary of State in dealing with an application for planning permission made to the planning authority.

Validity of enforcement notices.

134. The validity of an enforcement notice shall not be questioned in any proceedings whatsoever on any of the grounds specified in section 130(1)(b) to (e) except by appeal under that section

