PLANNING COMMITTEE CHAIR'S UPDATE DECEMBER 2023

1. There are a number of major applications to be determined at committee in the next three months. These are shown in the table below.

Application No.	Brief details of development	Target Committee	
23/1897/FUL	Variation of Conditions 2, 4, 10, 13, 19 and 32 pursuant to planning permission 22/0491/FUL at Warner Bros. Studios Leavesden	February or March 2024	
23/1798/FUL	Variation of Condition 11 (Off Site Highway Improvement) of planning permission 20/1881/FUL to allow phased delivery.	December 2023 or January 2024 (TBC)	
23/1352/FUL	Redevelopment of former care home site to provide 27 homes at Margaret House Residential Home, Parsonage Close, Abbots Langley	January 2024	
23/1128/FUL	Demolition of existing garages and construction of 7no. new dwellings at Cedars Village, Dog Kennel Lane, Chorleywood	January 2024	
23/1068/OUT	Outline application for proposed data centre at land north Of Mansion House Farm, Bedmond Road, Abbots Langley	January 2024	
22/1945/FUL	Hybrid application for Film Hub etc at land east of Langleybury Lane, Langleybury	January 2024	
22/1764/FUL	Proposed new Lidl store at World of Water Aquatic Centre, Hempstead Road, Hunton Bridge	TBC following highways report.	
22/0989/AOD	Approval of Details pursuant to Condition 1 attached to Outline Planning Permission 21/1680/OUT). at Scotsbridge House, Scots Hill, Croxley Green	TBC	

2. The performance of Local Planning Authorities in determining major and non-major development is assessed and published on a quarterly basis by the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities (DLUHC), using data provided by councils. The assessment of performance is judged against two measures. The latest statistics published by DLUHC show TRDC's performance to be as follows:

Measure/application	Threshold	Latest performance*	England
type		(July 21 – June 23)	Average
Speed of Major	60%	92.6%	86.8%
Speed of non-major	70%	96.6%	85.4%
		Latest Performance (Oct 20 –	
		Sept 22)*	
Quality of Major	10%	12.5%	2.2%

Quality of non-major	10%	0.9%	0.9%

The council is working with PAS (Planning Advisory Service) to see what measures could be taken to improve the 'quality' of decision making. One fact in our favour is that the council has not had costs awarded against it for any of the decisions.

For interest, the applications which have led to this situation are:

- 40-92 Grove Court, Grove Crescent, Croxley Green
- West Herts College, Home Park Mill Link Road, Kings Langley
- Killingdown Farm, Little Green Lane, Croxley Green
- Development Site, Maple Lodge Close, Maple Cross
- Beesons Yard, Bury Lane, Rickmansworth
- Land to the rear of 76/78 Church Lane, Sarratt