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## 1. Summary of all Planning Cases

	2022	2021	Increase / (decrease) %
On hands at start	1,637	1,165	41%
Received	3,058	3,251	-6%
Disposed of	2,115	2,775	-23%
On hands at end	2,580	1,641	57%
Disposed of within statutory objective period <sup>1</sup>	45%	57%	
Average time taken (weeks) <sup>1</sup>	25.6	19.8	

<sup>1</sup> This figure excludes pre-application consultation cases.

## 2. Average Time Taken to Dispose of Cases (Weeks)

Year	Normal Planning Appeals	Strategic Infrastructure Cases	Strategic Housing Cases (except Pre Apps)	All Other Cases <sup>1,2</sup>	All
2018	22	34	13	36	23
2019	18	28	13	22	22
2020	19	37	17	22	23
2021	19	39	16	23	20
2022	25	36	24	26	26

<sup>1</sup> This figure excludes pre-application consultation cases

<sup>2</sup> Excludes normal planning appeals and strategic infrastructure cases

## 3. Planning Appeals Received / Disposed / On Hands Cases

	2022	2021	Increase / (decrease) %
On hands at start	1,100	761	45%
Received	2,297	2,331	-1%
Disposed of (Total)	1,465	1,992	-26%
Disposed of Formally	1,064	1,597	-33%
Disposed of Otherwise	401	395	1%
On hands at end	1,927	1,100	75%
Disposed of within statutory objective period	46%	52%	-11%
Average time taken (weeks)	25	19	32%

#### 4. Strategic Infrastructure Development Cases (Private Entities and Statutory Undertakers)

	On-Hands Start	Received	Concluded	On-Hands End
Pre-Application Consultation Requests	83	77	63	96
Applications	23	26	18	31
Alteration / Amendment Requests	4	13	12	5
EIS Direction	0	1	1	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>110</b>	<b>117</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>132</b>

#### 5. Strategic Infrastructure Development Cases (Local Authorities)

	On-Hands Start	Received	Concluded	On-Hands End
Applications	8	20	4	24
Environmental Impact Assessment Screening Cases	2	2	3	1
Alteration / Amendment Requests	1	2	1	2
Consultations	7	4	1	10
EIAR / EIS Direction Cases	6	15	18	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>40</b>

#### 6. Local Authority Projects

	On-Hands Start	Received	Concluded	On-Hands End
Compulsory Acquisition Compulsory Purchase Order (CPO)	31	52	50	33
Compulsory Acquisition Derelict Sites	17	18	12	23
<b>Total</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>56</b>

## 7. Appropriate Assessment Cases

	On-Hands Start	Received	Concluded	On-Hands End
Appropriate Assessment Applications	18	37	25	30
Appropriate Assessment Determinations	1	3	3	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>31</b>

## 8. Strategic Housing Development Cases 2022

	On-Hands Start	Received	Opinion Issued / Formally Decided <sup>1</sup>	Disposed of Otherwise	On-Hands End
Consultations	62	0	61	1	0
Applications	44	135	69	11	99
Alterations	30	0	27	2	1
Referrals	3	1	3	0	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>139</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>160</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>101</b>

<sup>1</sup> As appropriate

## 9. Vacant Site Levy

	On-Hands Start	Received	Disposed of Formally	Disposed of Otherwise	On-Hands End
Vacant Site Levy Appeal (Section 9)	17	4	14	0	7
Vacant Site Levy Appeal (Section 18)	31	27	28	10	20
<b>Total</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>27</b>

## 10. Other Planning Case Types

	On-hands start of year	Received	Formally decided	Otherwise disposed	On-hands end of year
<b>Planning Acts</b>					
Leave to Appeal	4	83	47	40	0
Referrals	86	105	45	14	132
Section 254 Licences	21	51	23	4	45
Environmental Impact Statement Exemption for Applicants - Referral	0	0	0	0	0
Amendment to Planning Scheme in Strategic Development Zone	1	0	0	0	1
Alteration to Planning Scheme in Strategic Development Zone	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>239</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>178</b>

## 11. Summary of Other Non-Planning Cases

	On-hands start of year	Received	Formally decided	Otherwise disposed	On-hands end of year
<b>Building Control Acts</b>					
Fire Safety Certificate	3	29	4	3	25
Fire Safety Revised Certificate	1	6	1	0	6
Regularisation Certificate	0	0	0	0	0
Disability Access Certificate	2	4	3	1	2
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>33</b>
<b>Water Pollution Acts</b>					
Discharge to Water	2	0	1	0	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>34</b>

4 (31%) of the total 13 cases (formally decided and otherwise disposed) above were disposed of within 18 weeks / 4 months, as appropriate

## 12. Analysis of Planning Appeal Decisions

### Appeals Determined:

- Formally decided – 73% (80%)
- Otherwise disposed of – 27% (20%)

### Formally Decided Cases:

- Appeals by third parties only – 46% (46%)
- Appeals against refusals – 40% (40%)
- Appeals against conditions – 14% (14%)

### Appeals by Third Parties Only:

- Permission refused – 21% (20%)
- Permission granted – 79% (80%)

### Appeals Against Refusals:

- Permission Refused – 61% (48%)
- Permission granted – 39% (52%)

### Appeals Against Conditions:

- Permission refused – 8% (20%)
- Permission granted with conditions – 92% (80%)

### Decision of Planning Authority:

- Reversed – 26% (25%)
- Varied – 46% (48%)
- Confirmed – 28% (27%)

### Overall Permission:

- Granted – 65% (66%)
- Refused – 35% (34%)

## 13A. Planning Appeals Received by Development Category / Area

Area	Development Category					
	Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries	Community Facilities	Education and Training	Energy and Utilities	Industry	Mixed Development
<b>County Area</b>						
Carlow	0	0	0	4	0	0
Cavan	2	1	1	2	1	0
Clare	2	1	2	5	4	1
Cork County	9	5	1	12	9	9
Donegal	3	2	0	11	1	1
Dun Laoghaire / Rathdown	4	7	5	1	0	9
Fingal	2	5	3	8	5	8
Galway County	2	0	0	6	1	6
Kerry	5	0	0	12	6	6
Kildare	8	3	1	9	3	3
Kilkenny	1	2	0	1	3	0
Laois	1	2	1	1	3	1
Leitrim	0	0	0	3	0	0
Limerick City and County	2	2	1	6	8	0
Longford	0	1	0	1	0	2
Louth	2	1	0	1	1	3
Mayo	1	0	0	7	3	1
Meath	7	6	1	8	10	2
Monaghan	1	0	0	4	2	0
Offaly	1	0	0	5	1	0
Roscommon	4	0	0	10	1	0
Sligo	1	0	0	2	1	1
South Dublin	0	4	0	4	4	3
Tipperary	5	0	1	8	4	2
Waterford City and County	5	1	0	10	2	2
Westmeath	2	0	0	2	2	0
Wexford	2	1	0	2	2	1
Wicklow	1	0	1	6	0	9
<b>City</b>						
Cork	0	3	1	0	1	11
Dublin	0	10	0	7	0	32
Galway	0	0	1	2	2	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>160</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>113</b>



Offices	Recreation, Leisure and Hospitality	Residential	Retail	Transport	Total
0	1	14	2	0	21
0	2	9	1	0	19
1	2	45	2	1	66
1	5	128	3	1	183
0	6	41	4	1	70
0	14	175	3	1	219
2	5	92	2	7	139
1	2	71	5	3	97
1	7	41	3	0	81
0	5	60	2	1	95
0	2	12	1	0	22
0	4	16	1	0	30
0	1	3	0	0	7
1	3	47	5	0	75
0	0	10	0	0	14
1	5	46	1	0	61
0	2	29	0	1	44
1	10	52	5	0	102
0	0	11	2	0	20
0	1	19	0	0	27
0	0	8	0	0	23
0	0	6	0	0	11
0	3	61	6	0	85
0	3	23	2	1	49
0	8	44	3	1	76
0	2	21	2	0	31
0	3	49	0	0	60
0	9	78	1	0	105
2	7	46	2	0	73
4	30	241	25	0	349
0	6	29	3	0	43
<b>15</b>	<b>148</b>	<b>1,527</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>2,297</b>

## 13B Normal Planning Appeals Received and Decided by Area 2022

	No. of Decision Made by PA	No. of Decision Appealed to the Board	% of Decisions Appealed	Decisions Appealed as a % of all Appeals to Board	% of PA decisions Confirmed by Board	% of PA decisions varied by Board	% of PA decisions Reversed by Board
<b>County Area</b>							
Carlow	364	21	5.8%	0.9%	N/a	N/a	N/a
Cavan	561	19	3.4%	0.8%	10.0%	50.0%	40.0%
Clare	1,012	66	6.5%	2.9%	32.0%	48.0%	20.0%
Cork County	2,654	183	6.9%	7.9%	25.9%	46.6%	27.6%
Donegal	1,779	70	3.9%	3.0%	10.0%	42.5%	47.5%
Dun Laoghaire / Rathdown	1,371	219	16.0%	9.5%	26.7%	40.6%	32.7%
Fingal	1,201	139	11.6%	6.1%	34.4%	36.1%	29.5%
Galway County	1,675	97	5.8%	4.2%	25.9%	25.9%	48.1%
Kerry	1,263	81	6.4%	3.5%	21.1%	52.6%	26.3%
Kildare	1,245	95	7.6%	4.1%	35.6%	40.0%	24.4%
Kilkenny	720	22	3.1%	1.0%	20.0%	40.0%	40.0%
Laois	608	30	4.8%	1.3%	16.7%	41.7%	41.7%
Leitrim	196	7	3.6%	0.3%	27.3%	72.7%	0.0%
Limerick City and County	1,252	75	6.0%	3.3%	21.2%	60.6%	18.2%
Longford	246	14	5.7%	0.6%	50.0%	25.0%	25.0%
Louth	828	61	7.4%	2.7%	43.2%	40.9%	15.9%
Mayo	1,072	44	4.1%	1.9%	34.8%	39.1%	26.1%
Meath	2,820	102	3.6%	4.4%	29.1%	40.0%	30.9%
Monaghan	476	20	4.2%	0.9%	37.5%	31.3%	31.3%
Offaly	526	27	5.1%	1.2%	36.8%	26.3%	36.8%
Roscommon	438	23	5.3%	1.0%	66.7%	33.3%	0.0%
Sligo	372	11	3.0%	0.5%	44.4%	33.3%	22.2%
South Dublin	839	85	10.1%	3.7%	35.9%	46.2%	17.9%
Tipperary	1,102	49	4.4%	2.1%	30.0%	50.0%	20.0%
Waterford City and County	968	76	7.9%	3.3%	25.8%	51.6%	22.6%
Westmeath	521	31	6.0%	1.4%	27.3%	54.5%	18.2%
Wexford	1,554	60	3.9%	2.6%	12.5%	50.0%	37.5%
Wicklow	986	105	10.6%	4.6%	34.5%	41.8%	23.6%
<b>City</b>							
Cork	719	73	10.2%	3.2%	29.2%	37.5%	33.3%
Dublin	2,340	349	14.9%	15.2%	23.4%	59.6%	17.0%
Galway	308	43	14.0%	1.9%	45.5%	27.3%	27.3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>32,016</b>	<b>2,297</b>	<b>7.2%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>28.3%</b>	<b>45.4%</b>	<b>26.3%</b>

## 14A. Summary of Cases Disposed of by Reference to Statutory Objective Period: Normal Planning Appeals

### Normal Planning Appeals

Year	A	B	% Within Statutory Objective Period <sup>1</sup>
2018	836	1,323	39%
2019	1,466	649	69%
2020	1,427	460	76%
2021	1,155	837	58%
2022	673	792	46%

**Notes:**

A Number disposed of within statutory objective periods.

B Number not disposed of within statutory objective periods.

<sup>1</sup> The statutory objective period is 18 weeks in the case of appeals, referrals and certain local authority project cases received by the Board under the 2000 Act, and 4 months in the case of appeals under the Building Control Act and the Water Pollution Acts. A statutory objective period does not apply to certain cases. This figure is for all Strategic Infrastructure Development application cases formally decided.

## 14B. Summary of all Cases Disposed of by Reference to Statutory Objective Period: Strategic Infrastructure Development Applications

### Strategic Infrastructure Development Applications

Year	A	B	% Within Statutory Objective Period <sup>1</sup>
2018	5	9	36%
2019	7	14	33%
2020	3	16	16%
2021	4	26	13%
2022	1	21	5%

**Notes:**

A Number disposed of within statutory objective periods.

B Number not disposed of within statutory objective periods.

<sup>1</sup> The statutory objective period is 18 weeks in the case of appeals, referrals and certain local authority project cases received by the Board under the 2000 Act, and 4 months in the case of appeals under the Building Control Act and the Water Pollution Acts. A statutory objective period does not apply to certain cases. This figure is for all Strategic Infrastructure Development application cases formally decided.

## 14C. Summary of all Cases Disposed of by Reference to Statutory Objective Period: All Other Cases

### All Other Cases

Year	A	B	% Within Statutory Objective Period <sup>1</sup>
2018	371	304	55%
2019	566	269	67%
2020	480	242	66%
2021	416	337	55%
2022	281	347	45%

**Notes:**

**A** Number disposed of within statutory objective periods.

**B** Number not disposed of within statutory objective periods.

<sup>1</sup> The statutory objective period is 18 weeks in the case of appeals, referrals and certain local authority project cases received by the Board under the 2000 Act, and 4 months in the case of appeals under the Building Control Act and the Water Pollution Acts. A statutory objective period does not apply to certain cases. This figure is for all Strategic Infrastructure Development application cases formally decided.

## 14D. Summary of all Cases Disposed of by Reference to Statutory Objective Period: Total Cases

### Total Cases

Year	A	B	% Within Statutory Objective Period <sup>1</sup>
2018	1,212	1,636	43%
2019	2,039	932	69%
2020	1,910	718	73%
2021	1,575	1,200	73%
2022	955	1,160	45%

**A** Number disposed of within statutory objective periods.

**B** Number not disposed of within statutory objective periods.

<sup>1</sup> The statutory objective period is 18 weeks in the case of appeals, referrals and certain local authority project cases received by the Board under the 2000 Act, and 4 months in the case of appeals under the Building Control Act and the Water Pollution Acts. A statutory objective period does not apply to certain cases. This figure is for all Strategic Infrastructure Development application cases formally decided.



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