



APPEALS AND LOCAL REVIEW BODY DECISIONS

Report by Head of Communities and Economy

1 PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 This report informs the Committee of notices of reviews determined by the Local Review Body (LRB) at its meeting in November 2014; and an appeal decision received from Scottish Ministers.

2 BACKGROUND

- 2.1 The Council's LRB considers reviews requested by applicants for planning permission, who wish to challenge the decision of planning officers acting under delegated powers to refuse the application or to impose conditions on a grant of planning permission.
- 2.2 The decision of the LRB on any review is final, and can only be challenged through the Courts on procedural grounds.
- 2.3 Decisions of the LRB are reported for information to this Committee.
- 2.4 In addition, this report includes a decision on an appeal which has been considered by Scottish Ministers.

3 PREVIOUS REVIEWS DETERMINED BY THE LRB

- 3.1 At its meeting on 25 November 2014 the LRB made the following decisions:

	Planning Application Reference	Site Address	Proposed Development	LRB Decision
1	14/00566/DPP	19 Robert Smillie Avenue, Gorebridge	Erection of two storey extension	Review dismissed Permission refused
2	14/00402/DPP	12A Stobhall Road, Gorebridge	Change of use of domestic garage to dwellinghouse	Review dismissed Permission refused

APPEAL DECISIONS

- 4.1 An appeal against a refusal of planning permission (14/00293/DPP) for the erection of four retail units (part retrospective) at Soutra Mains Farm, Blackshiels, Pathhead has been dismissed. The planning application was refused by the Committee at its meeting of 26 August 2014. A copy of the appeal decision accompanies this report.

5 RECOMMENDATION

- 5.1 The Committee is recommended to note the decisions made by the Local Review Body at its meeting on 25 November 2014 and the Soutra Mains Farm appeal decision.

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Background Papers: LRB procedures agreed on the 26 November 2013.