

Key Performance Information Booklet

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## Focus on: Financial Information

Report for the period: April 10 - February 10

This section of the Performance Information Booklet provides key information on Council income and expenditure.

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#### **Focus on: Financial Information**

For the latest Financial Information please refer to the Executive Report dated 19<sup>th</sup> January 2011, entitled Initial Budget Proposals for General Fund, Housing Revenue Account and Capital 2011/12.

## Focus on: Performance Information

Report for the period: April - December 10

This section provides information on the performance of key Council services.

Included within this section:

- Corporate priority performance indicators
- Summary of key performance indicators
- Benefits performance graphs

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SUMMARY	SUMMARY OF KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS - MEASURING CORPORATE PRIORITIES				M & A Committee Summary				
Corporate Priority Ref. no.	PI Ref.	Description of PI	09/10 Outturn	Top Quartile	December 2009/10	December 2010/11	2010/11 Profiled Target	2010/11 Target	2011/12 Target
1D	Managir	ng Growth							
	NI 155 NI 157a NI 157b NI 157c LPI 204	Number of affordable homes delivered Planning major applications processed in 13 weeks Planning minor applications processed in 8 weeks Planning other applications processed in 8 weeks Percentage of appeals against the authority's decision to refuse planning applications	160 78.57% 90.91% 94.80% 15.40%	N/A 89%* 87%* 94%* 26.7%	160 80.00% 91.74% 95.74% 15.40%	55 54.55% 94.33% 97.54% 22.2%	100	150 75.00% 90.00% 90.00% 22%	150 75.00% 90.00% 90.00% 22%
2B		t and Effective Service Delivery	10.4070	20.770	10.4070	22.270		2270	22 /0
_	MPI 25 MPI 26 LPI 78a LPI 78b LPI 79a	Percentage of calls answered by switchboard Percentage of calls answered within 15 seconds by switchboard Average time to process new benefits claims (days) Average time to process change in circumstances (days) % Benefits cases processed correctly	96.7% 90.6% 18.75 5.31 100.00%	N/A N/A 21.2 7 99.20%	98.10% 92.80% 19.00 8.00 100%	97.40% 89.00% 21.20 12.90 100%		97.5% 91.0% 18.00 6.00 99.50%	98.0% 92.0% 16.00 5.00 99.50%
2D	Enhance	ed Local Government							
	LPI 2a MPI 8 NI 179 LPI 9 LPI 10	Equality Standard for Local Government Level % Invoices paid on time Value for money - total efficiency gains for the year % Council Tax collected % NNDR collected	Level 2 99.50% £1,150,000 98.23% 99.00%	N/A 97.01% £6,729,000 98.5% 99.36%	Level 2 99.30% £640 87.26% 87.82%	Level 2 100.00% £405,000 86.95% 88.58%	86.74% 86.42%	Level 3 98.5% £460,000 97.50% 98.00%	Level 3 99% £460,000 98.00% 98.50%
	LPI 12	Days staffing lost (per member of staff)	8.39	8.33	6.56	6.56	6	8	8
	LPI 66a	Proportion of rent collected	98.61%	98.63%	98.09%	97.66%	97.96%	98.50%	98.60%
	LPI 79b(i) LPI 79b(ii)	Overpaid benefit recovered as % of current year overpayments  Overpaid benefit recovered as % of total overpayments outstanding	63.09% 28.18%	82.4% 36.8%	61.77% 23.22%	55.54% 22.52%	69.30% 30.40%	73.00% 37.50%	76.00% 40.00%

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3A	Greene	r environment							
	NI 185	% Year on year reduction of CO2 from Local Authority operations	Baseline	N/A	Annual	Annual		TBC	TBC
	NI 188	Adapting to climate change	Level 2	N/A	Level 1	Level 1		Level 3	Level 3
	NI 192	% of household waste recycled and composted	44.77%	43.18%*	46.55%	48.81% (Nov)		47.00%	47.00%
3B	Cleaner	r environment							
	NI 195a	% of land / highways that have below acceptable levels of litter	7.3%	3%*	9.5%	0.5%		11.00%	9.00%
T	NI 195b	% of land / highways that have below acceptable levels of detritus	7%	6%*	8.5%	1.5%		8.00%	7.00%
Page	NI 195c	% of land / highways that have below acceptable levels of graffiti	1%	1%*	2%	0.0%		4.00%	3.00%
ge e	NI 195d	% of land / highways that have below acceptable levels of fly-posting	0%	0%*	0%	0.0%		0.00%	0.00%
O1	LPI 80	Average length of time in working days that it takes to remove abandoned cars	0.34	N/A	0.20	0.20		1.00	1.00
	LPI 42	The average time taken to remove fly-tips (days)	0.20	N/A	0.29	0.29		2.00	2.00
			KEY	Green		=	Target met or	bettered	
				Red		=	Target missed	t	
Notes:				Yellow		=	Close to targe	et or cannot	

#### Notes:

N/A - These indicators do not have quartile data available for comparison

These indicators do not have a profiled target

Please note due to the lead times for committee information the data may not be the latest available



compare to target

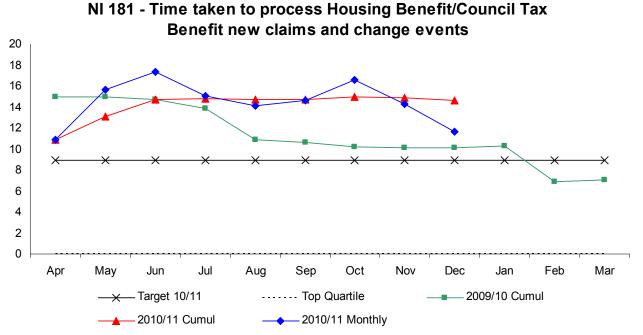
<sup>\*</sup> Latest quartile data for the NIs

## Performance Clinic Income and Debt Management

Performance for: December 2010 Clinic date: 25th January



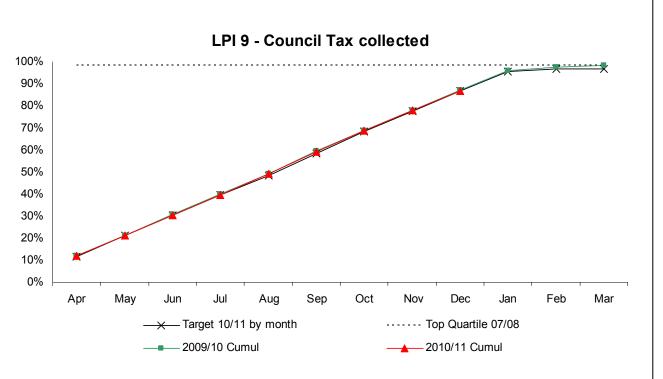
#### NI 181





Low is good

#### LPI9







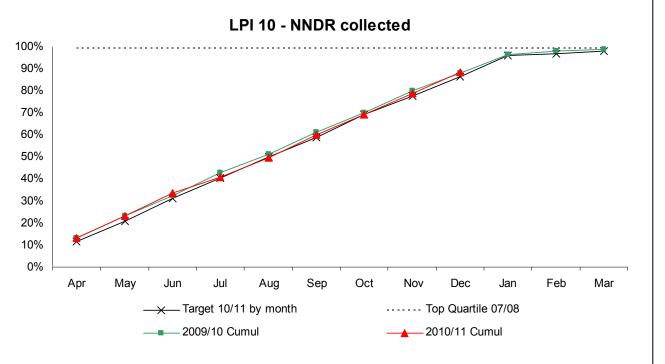
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n month performance has improved in December at a time when incoming post has increased by 16% ir
omparison to December 2009.
PI 9
Collection of Council Tax continues to be on target for December 2010

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#### **LPI 10**



ON/ABOVE TARGET

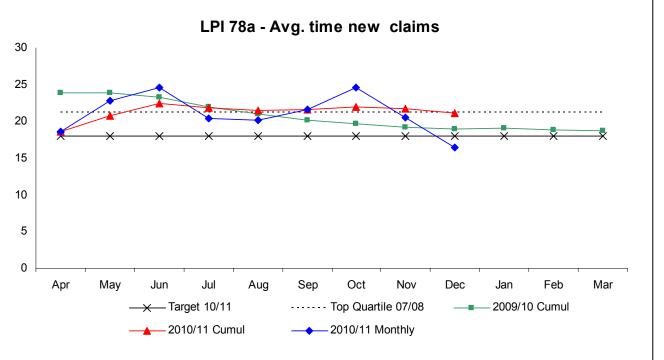


TREND STEADY



High is good

#### LPI 78a







TREND IMPROVED



Low is good



#### **LPI 10**

Collection is currently on target for December 2010.	

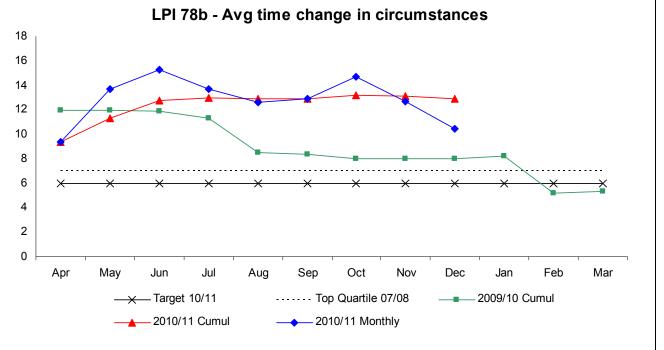
### **LPI 78a**

Performance for December is on target however	cumulatively remains	below target at	a time when work
loads continue to increase.			

October 2010 - 24.6 days November 2010 - 20.5 days December 2010 - 16.4 days



#### **LPI 78b**



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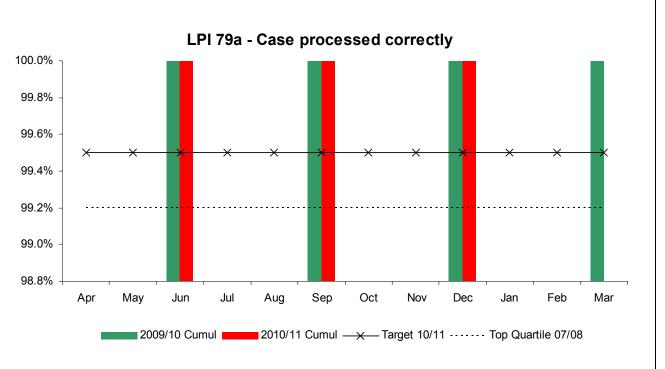


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#### **LPI 79a**



ON/ABOVE TARGET



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### **LPI 78b**

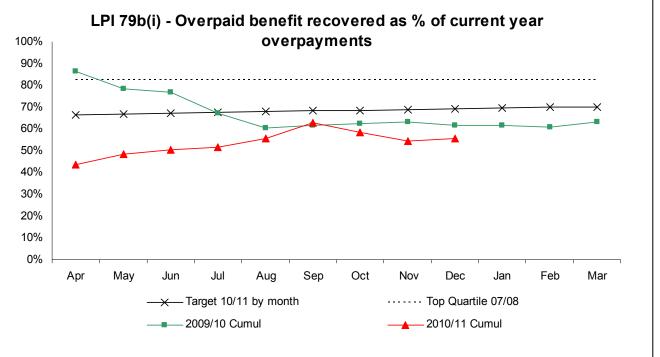
Performance cumulatively is not on target however performance in December has improved by 2 days at a
time when incoming work loads have incresed by 16% compared to the same time in 2009.
October 2010 - 14.7 days
November 2010 - 12.7 days
December 2010 - 10.4 days

### LPI 79a

100% accuracy continues for the third quarter of 2010/11



## LPI 79b(i)



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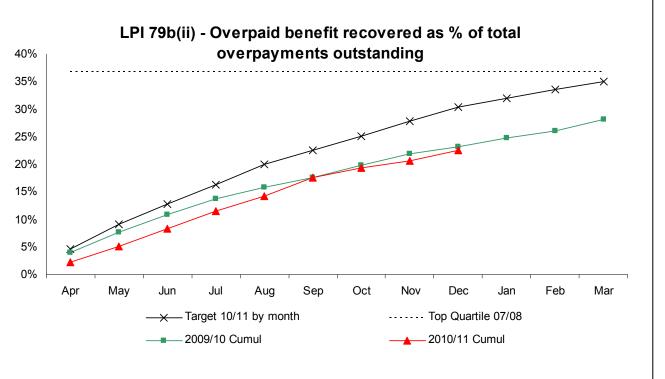


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## LPI 79b(ii)



TARGET MISSED



TREND IMPROVED





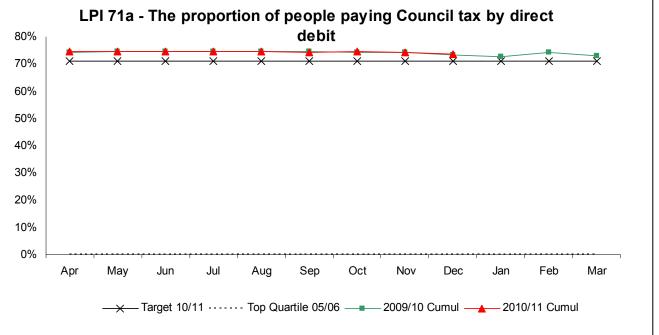
PI 79b(i)						
Performance has slightly good as anticipated.	ormance has slightly improved however due to the amount of overpayments raised collection is not as anticipated.					

## LPI 79b(ii)

been done in this area and imrpovements in collection are continuing to improve however this is shindered due to the amount of overpayments being raised.						







ON/ABOVE TARGET

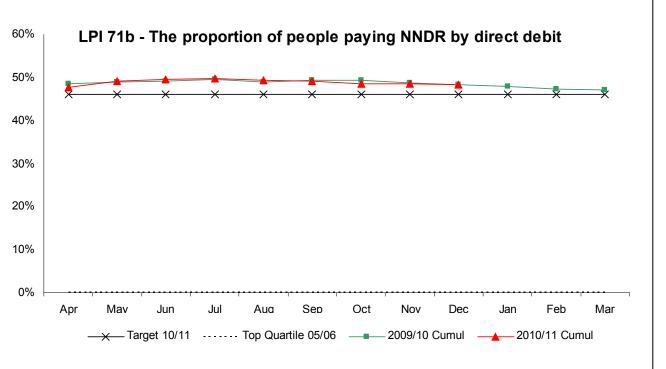


TREND STEADY



High is good

## LPI 71b



ON/ABOVE TARGET



TREND STEADY





LPI 71a					
	Slight dip in DD take up but remains above target				
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L	Direct Debit Take Up has slightly dipped in December but remains above target.	7			
	Direct Debit Take Op has slightly dipped in December but remains above target.				



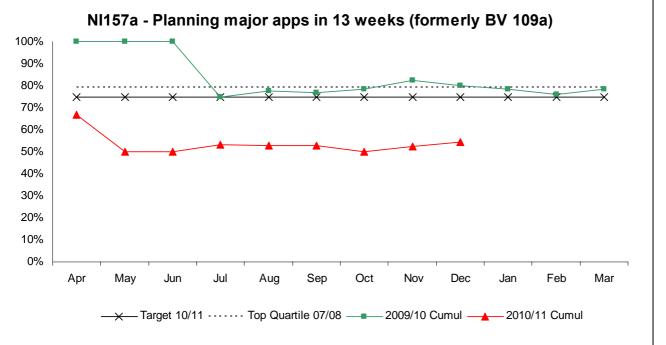
## Performance Clinic Development Services

Performance for: December 2010

Clinic date: 25th January

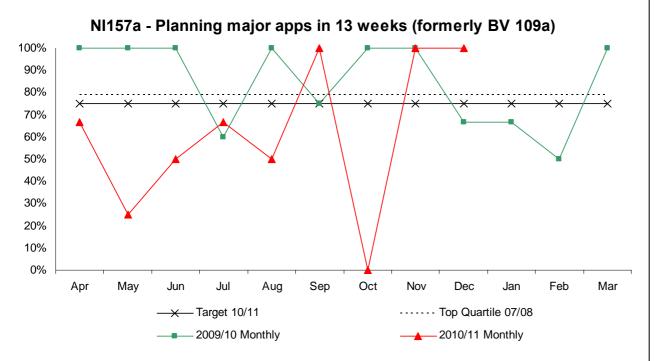


#### NI 157a





#### NI 157a



ON / ABOVE TARGET TREND



**STEADY** 



#### NI 157a

For the period April 2009 - March 2010 28 Major applications have been determined and a cumulative performance of 78.57% within 13 weeks has been achieved, this is above our target of 75%

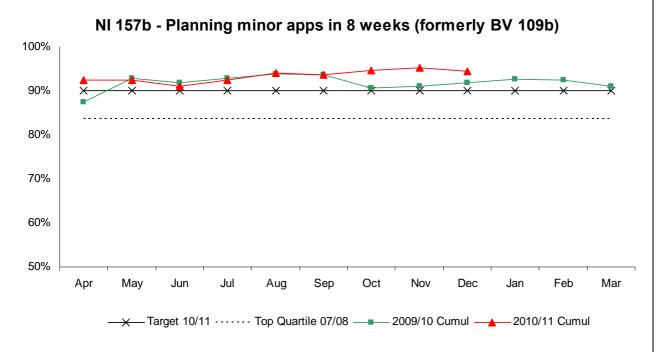
For the period April 2010 - December 2010, 22 Major applications have been determined and a cumulative performance of 54.55% within 13 weeks has been achieved, this is below our target of 75%

Monthly figures are:

April 2010 - 66.67% (3 largescale major and 3 smallscale major applications determined)
May 2010 - 25% (0 largescale major and 4 smallscale major applications determined)
June 2010 - 50% (1 largescale major and 1 smallscale major application determined)
July 2010 - 66.67% (0 largescale major and 3 smallscale major applications determined)
August 2010 - 50% (1 largescale major and 3 smallscale major applications determined)
September 2010 - 100% (0 largescale major and 0 smallscale major applications determined)
October 2010 - 0% (0 largescale major and 1 smallscale major application determined)
November 2010 - 100% (0 largescale major and 1 smallscale major application determined)
December 2010 - 100% (0 largescale major and 1 smallscale major application determined)



#### NI 157b



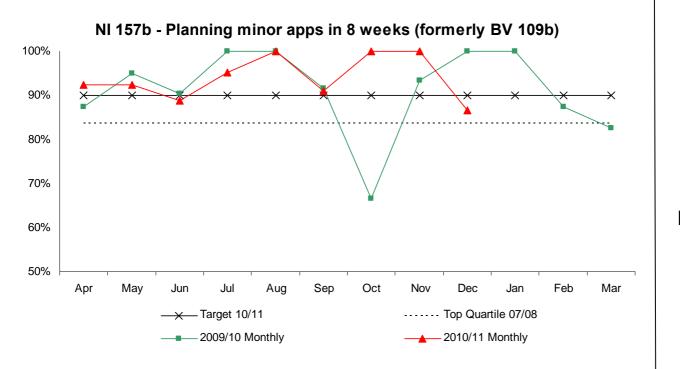
ON / ABOVE TARGET





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#### NI 157b



TARGET MISSED



TREND DECLINED





#### NI 157b

For the period April 2009 - March 2010, 154 Minor applications have been determined and a cumulative performance of 90.91% within 8 weeks has been achieved - above our target of 90%.

For the period April 2010 - December 2010, 141 Minor applications have been determined and a cumulative performance of 94.33% within 8 weeks has been achieved - above our target of 90%.

Monthly figures are:

April 2010 - 92.31%

May 2010 - 92.31%

June 2010 - 88.89%

July 2010 - 95.24%

August 2010 - 100%

September 2010 - 90.91%

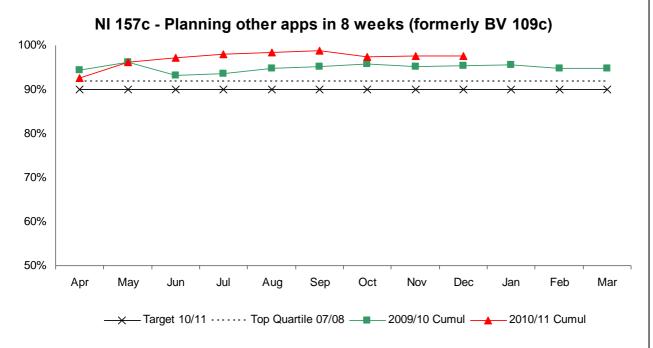
October 2010 - 100%

November 2010 - 100%

December 2010 - 86.67%



#### NI 157c



ON / ABOVE TARGET

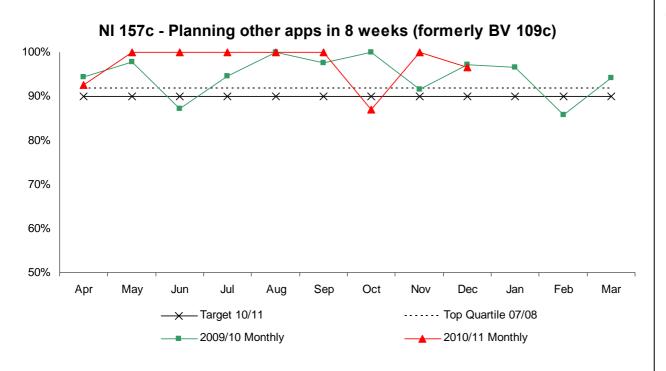


TREND STEADY



High is good

## NI 157c



ON / ABOVE TARGET



TREND DECLINED





#### NI 157c

For the period April 2009 - March 2010 423 other planning applications have been determined and a cumulative performance of 94.80% within 8 weeks has been achieved. Current performance is above our target of 94%.

For the period April 2010 - December 2010, 325 other planning applications have been determined and a cumulative performance of 97.54% within 8 weeks has been achieved. Current performance is above our target of 90%.

Monthly figures are:

April 2010 - 92.68%

May 2010 - 100%

June 2010 - 100%

July 2010 - 100%

August 2010 - 100%

September 2010 - 100%

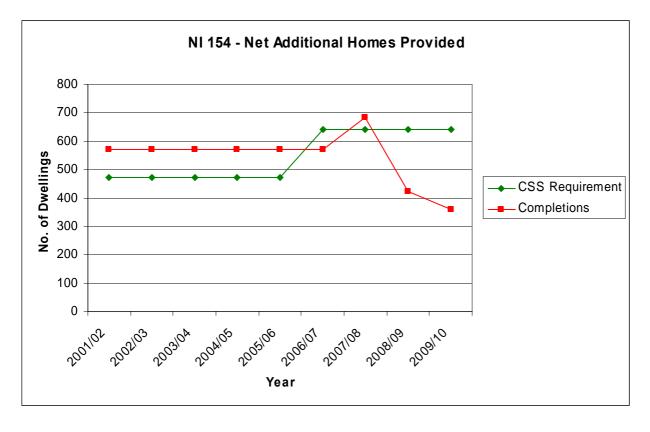
October 2010 - 87.10%

November 2010 - 100%

December 2010 - 96.55%



#### NI 154



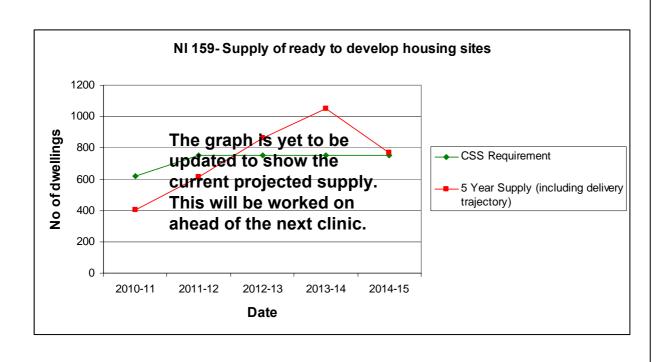
ON / ABOVE TARGET





High is good

#### NI 159



TARGET MISSED



TREND IMPROVED OVERALL



High is good



#### NI 154

There has been a significant decline in the numbers of completions for the monitoring period 2008-2009, which was repeated in 2009-2010. This shortfall is a reflection of the present market conditions, and is mirrored nationally. Even though completion levels are down, Kettering Borough's performance is still strong relative to neighbouring authorities. Due to the scale of completions in previous years, the current position is that in the 9 year period since 2001, Kettering Borough is 11 homes ahead of the Borough's Core Spatial Strategy (CSS) requirement. Kettering Borough is the only North Northamptonshire authority to have successfully delivered against its CSS housing targets. It was estimated mid 2009/2010 that the number of completions for the year were likely to be 185 dwellings, building activity picked up significantly in the latter half of the year. For 2010/2011, it is estimated 367 dwellings will be complete, this will leave us 264 dwellings behind our CSS target.

YEAR	2001 - 2002	2002 - 2003	2003 - 2004	2004 - 2005	2005 - 2006	2006 - 2007	2007 - 2008	2008 - 2009	2009 - 2010	TOTAL
CSS Requirement	471	471	471	471	471	642	642	642	642	4,923
Annual Completions	572	572	572	572	572	572	685	422	395	4,934
Additional Units Provided	101	101	101	101	101	-70	43	-220	-247	+11

#### NI 159

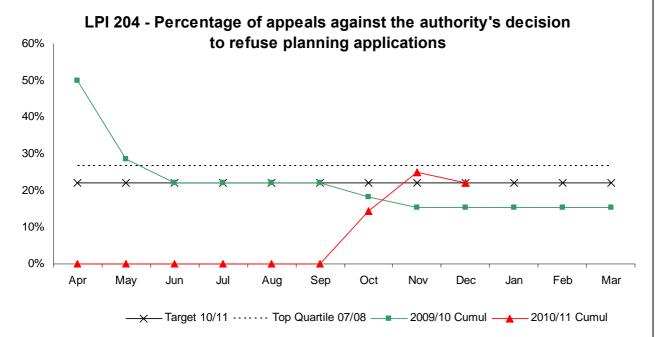
Kettering Borough Council is contesting it has between a **4.6** year and **5.69** year housing land supply. **Requirement** - The current CSS housing requirement for the 5 year period from 2011/12- 2015/16 is <u>4,004</u>; this requirement has been reduced marginally to take into account the over-provision in the earlier years of the plan (11 dwellings).

**Supply –** The Council has defended a 5.69 years housing land supply at appeal. The Inspector was not convinced about delivery at East Kettering and the Kettering town centre AAP (SHLAA) sites, but agreed a 4.6 year supply. Further work is underway to try to improve the picture, this work relates to progressing the East Kettering legal agreement and discharge of conditions, progress with AAPs demonstrating delivery of SHLAA sites, and exploring bringing forward Council owned land.

Housing supply forecast at 31/3/10	5 years supply 2011/12 to 2015/16			
Allocated for housing in the Development Plan (East Kettering)	1,150	1,650		
Outline Planning Permission	604	604		
Full Planning Permission	660	660		
Sites with a resolution to grant p/p subject to S106 Agreement	1,028	1,028		
Sites under construction	279	278		
Specific, unallocated brownfield sites	369	702		
	4,080 – 367 (anticipated completions 2010/11) = 4080 (4.6 years)	4,923 – 367 (anticipated completions 2010/11) = 4,556 (5.69 years)		



#### **LPI 204**





#### **LPI 204**

For the period April 2010 - December 2010, 9 planning appeal decision have been received and a cumulative performance of 22.2% of allowed appeals has been achieved - above our target of 22%.

For the period April 2010 - December 2010, 2 enforcement appeal decision have been received and a cumulative performance of 0% of allowed appeals has been achieved.

Monthly Planning	Monthly Planning	Monthly Enforcement	Monthly Enforcement
figures are:	Decisions Received	figures are:	Decisions Received
April 2010 - 0%	1	April 2010 - 0%	1
May 2010 - 0%	0	May 2010 - 0%	0
June 2010 - 0%	0	June 2010 - 0%	1
July 2010 - 0%	2	July 2010 - 0%	0
August 2010 - 0%	1	August 2010 - 0%	0
September 2010 - 0%	2	September 2010 - 0%	0
October 2010 - 100%	1	October 2010 - 0%	0
November 2010 - 100	% 1	November 2010 - 0%	0
December 2010 - 0%	1	December 2010 - 0%	0

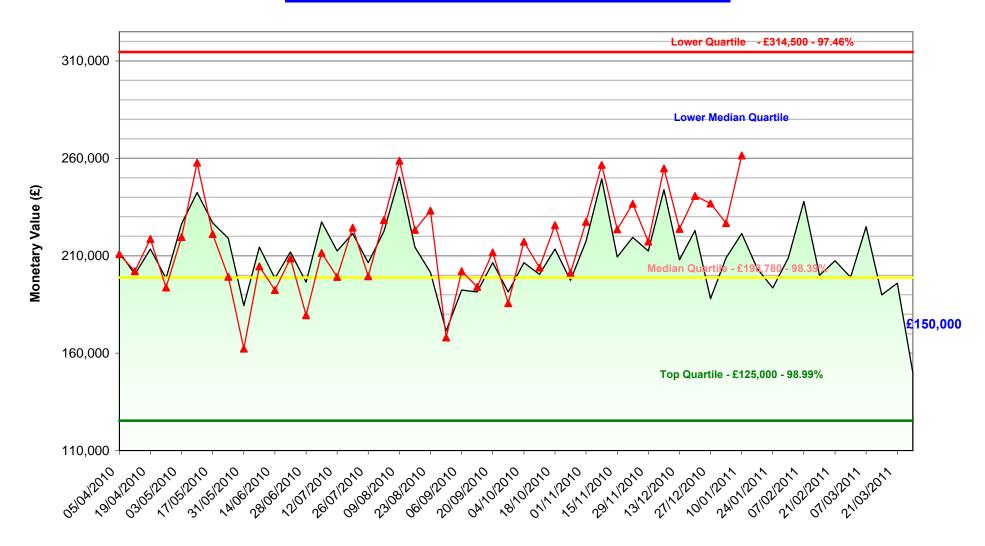




For more information on housing rent arrears contact John Conway on 01536 534288.



## **Headline Arrears Performance: 2010/11**





Community Services
Corporate Development
Customer & Information Services
Democratic & Legal Services
Development Services
Environmental Care
Environmental Health
Finance
Housing
Human Resources
Income & Debt Management
SMT Support
Strategic Management Team
Total working days lost to date:

Service Unit

Apr-10	%	%	May 10	%	%	Jun-10	%	%	Jul-10	%	%	Aug-10	%	%	Sep-10	%	%	Cum	% age	% age
total days	med cert	self cert	total days	med cert	self cert	total days	med cert	self cert	total days	med cert	self cert	total days	med cert	self cert	total days	med cert	self cert	total	Med Cert	Self Cert
5.76	52.9%	47.1%	23.73	67%	33%	33.82	98%	2%	38.62	85%	15%	36.38	86%	14%	38.87	89%	11%	177.18	85%	15%
1.35	0.0%	100.0%	0.00	0%	0%	4.00	0%	100%	0.54	0%	100%	0.54	0%	100%	0.27	0%	100%	6.70	0%	100%
28.80	94.8%	5.2%	23.43	47%	53%	24.72	51%	49%	33.31	45%	55%	27.03	85%	15%	34.82	47%	53%	172.11	61%	39%
0.00	0.0%	0.0%	2.00	0%	100%	8.00	0%	100%	7.00	71%	29%	3.00	0%	100%	1.00	0%	100%	21.00	24%	76%
2.80	35.7%	64.3%	12.00	0%	100%	4.00	0%	100%	16.59	42%	58%	15.24	21%	79%	31.43	70%	30%	82.07	41%	59%
57.41	54.0%	46.0%	116.00	66%	34%	161.35	86%	14%	120.70	60%	40%	122.78	62%	38%	168.03	65%	35%	746.27	67%	33%
40.00	67.5%	32.5%	26.00	73%	27%	19.00	74%	26%	33.73	80%	20%	25.00	84%	16%	49.87	92%	8%	193.61	80%	20%
0.86	0.0%	100.0%	5.00	0%	100%	1.81	0%	100%	1.00	0%	100%	1.73	0%	100%	2.00	0%	100%	12.41	0%	100%
26.66	22.5%	77.5%	27.04	52%	48%	32.51	68%	32%	42.25	76%	24%	25.54	82%	18%	30.76	38%	62%	184.77	59%	41%
5.05	80.2%	19.8%	10.00	90%	10%	1.00	0%	100%	10.00	100%	0%	3.61	0%	100%	4.00	0%	100%	33.66	68%	32%
5.00	100.0%	0.0%	27.41	95%	5%	53.00	83%	17%	32.32	84%	16%	33.19	91%	9%	40.76	75%	25%	191.68	85%	15%
0.00	0.0%	0.0%	0.00	0%	0%	3.00	0%	100%	0.00	0%	0%	0.00	0%	0%	6.00	0%	100%	9.00	0%	100%
0.00	0.0%	0.0%	0.00	0%	0%	0.00	0%	0%	0.00	0%	0%	0.00	0%	0%	0.00	0%	0%	0.00	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!
173.69	60.1%	39.9%	272.61	63%	37%	346.21	76%	24%	336.08	68%	32%	294.04	70%	30%	407.82	66%	34%	1830.45	68%	32%

#### Service Unit

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Total working days lost to date:

Oct-10	%	%	Nov-10	%	%	Dec-10	%	%	Jan-11	%	%	Feb-11	%	%	Mar-11	%	%	Cum	% age	% age
total days	med cert	self cert	total days	med cert	self cert	total days	med cert	self cert	total days	med cert	self cert	total days	med cert	self cert	total days	med cert	self cert	total	Med Cert	Self Cert
42.09	81%	19%	51.70	77%	23%	23.00	87%	13%	0.00			0.00			0.00			293.97	83%	17%
2.00	0%	100%	1.81	0%	100%	0.00	0%	0%	0.00			0.00			0.00			10.51	0%	100%
32.66	52%	48%	25.78	63%	37%	16.41	12%	88%	0.00			0.00			0.00			246.96	57%	43%
3.80	0%	100%	10.00	70%	30%	7.60	0%	100%	0.00			0.00			0.00			42.40	28%	72%
37.92	95%	5%	1.34	0%	100%	35.89	0%	100%	0.00			0.00			0.00			157.22	44%	56%
183.00	73%	27%	217.00	55%	45%	274.00	77%	23%	0.00			0.00			0.00			1420.27	68%	32%
30.00	57%	43%	31.62	57%	43%	7.00	0%	100%	0.00			0.00			0.00			262.23	72%	28%
12.14	33%	67%	24.81	89%	11%	7.00	43%	57%	0.00			0.00			0.00			56.35	51%	49%
52.85	60%	40%	30.61	74%	26%	68.50	65%	35%	0.00			0.00			0.00			336.73	62%	38%
4.61	0%	100%	4.00	0%	100%	31.00	71%	29%	0.00			0.00			0.00			73.27	61%	39%
31.18	67%	33%	40.89	54%	46%	29.05	55%	45%	0.00			0.00			0.00			292.80	76%	24%
4.00	0%	100%	6.00	0%	100%	0.00	0%	0%	0.00			0.00			0.00			19.00	0%	100%
1.00	0%	100%	3.00	0%	100%	2.00	0%	100%	0.00			0.00			0.00			6.00	0%	100%
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#### LPI -12 FTE Days Lost Due to Sickness Absence

#### FTE Days Lost To Date 2010 TO 2011

#### Service Unit

	F.T.E Apr-Oct Avg	Apr-10	May-10	Jun-10	Jul-10	Aug-10	Sep-10	Oct-10	Nov-10	Dec-10	Jan-11	Feb-11	Mar-11	Totals YTD	WDL per F.T.E
	, 3														•
Community Services	26.44	5.76	23.73	33.82	38.62	36.38	38.87	42.09	51.70	23.00				293.97	11.12
Corporate Development	12.35	1.35	0.00	4.00	0.54	0.54	0.27	2.00	1.81	0.00				10.51	0.85
Customer & Information Services	39.76	28.80	23.43	24.72	33.31	27.03	34.82	32.66	25.78	16.41				246.96	6.21
Democratic & Legal Services	16.14	0.00	2.00	8.00	7.00	3.00	1.00	3.80	10.00	7.60				42.40	2.63
Development Services	46.19	2.80	12.00	4.00	16.59	15.24	31.43	37.92	1.34	35.89				157.22	3.40
Environmental Care	179.74	57.41	116.00	161.35	120.70	122.78	168.03	183.00	217.00	274.00				1420.27	7.90
Environmental Health	28.11	40.00	26.00	19.00	33.73	25.00	49.87	30.00	31.62	7.00				262.23	9.33
Finance	16.31	0.86	5.00	1.81	1.00	1.73	2.00	12.14	24.81	7.00				56.35	3.45
Housing	53.15	26.66	27.04	32.51	42.25	25.54	30.76	52.85	30.61	68.50				336.73	6.34
Human Resources	17.74	5.05	10.00	1.00	10.00	3.61	4.00	4.61	4.00	31.00				73.27	4.13
Income & Debt Management	46.25	5.00	27.41	53.00	32.32	33.19	40.76	31.18	40.89	29.05				292.80	6.33
SMT Support	4.00	0.00	0.00	3.00	0.00	0.00	6.00	4.00	6.00	0.00				19.00	4.75
Strategic Management Team	4.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	3.00	2.00				6.00	1.50
Total working days lost to date: Amount of short term sickness:	490.19	173.69 124.64	272.61 174.61	346.21 159.51	336.08 237.38	294.04 140.80	407.82 275.82	437.25 265.56	448.56 242.53	501.45 261.49	0.00	0.00	0.00	3217.70	

#### **Summary results:**

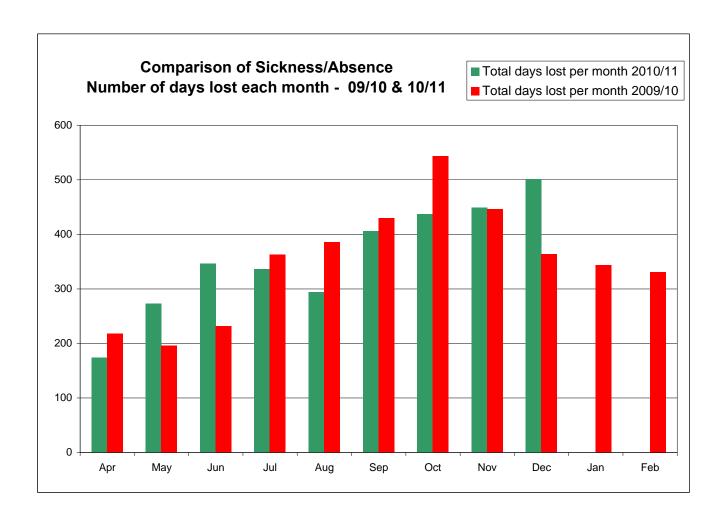
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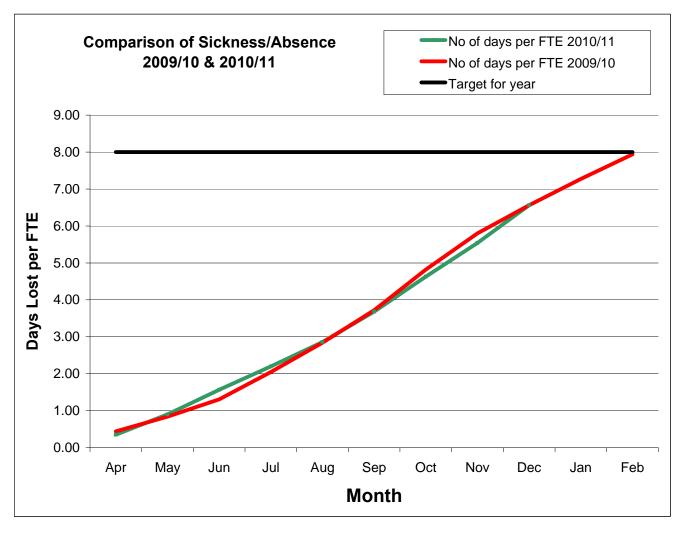
6.56 Days lost per FTE to date 8.75 Annualised 8.00 Target

	2009/10	Cumulative	total
	Days Med	Days	%
	Certificated	Self Cert	Self Cert
Community Services	126.95	58.87	32%
Corporate Development	4.05	23.14	85%
Customer & Information Services	104.28	97.20	48%
Democratic & Legal Services	11.00	50.20	82%
Development Services	168.11	120.52	42%
Environmental Care	963.00	512.50	35%
Environmental Health	235.02	83.00	26%
Finance	39.00	58.08	60%
Housing	353.38	202.16	36%
Human Resources	53.26	34.03	39%
Income & Debt Management	614.05	105.62	15%
SMT Support	0.00	14.00	100%
Strategic Management Team	113.00	0.00	0%
Total	2785.09	1359.31	33%

2010/11	Cumulative	total
Days Med	Days	%
Certificated	Self Cert	Self Cert
244.54	49.43	17%
0.00	10.51	100%
140.64	106.32	43%
12.00	30.40	0%
69.24	87.97	56%
966.41	453.86	32%
189.00	73.23	28%
29.00	27.35	49%
207.91	128.83	38%
45.05	28.22	39%
221.81	70.99	24%
0.00	19.00	0%
0.00	6.00	0%
2125.60	1092.10	34%

	Days	Annual
	Lost	Days Lost
	Per FTE	Per FTE
Strategic Management Team	1.50	2.00
Corporate Development	0.85	1.13
Finance	3.45	4.60
Democratic & Legal Services	2.63	3.51
Human Resources	4.13	5.51
Development Services	3.40	4.53
SMT Support	4.75	6.33
Housing	6.34	8.45
Income & Debt Management	6.33	8.44
Customer & Information Services	6.21	8.28
Environmental Care	7.90	10.53
Environmental Health	9.33	12.44
Community Services	11.12	14.83
Total KBC	6.56	8.75





# Focus on: Compliments & Complaints

Report for the period: 2010/11 year to date

This section of the Performance Information Booklet provides information on compliments and complaints received by the Council.

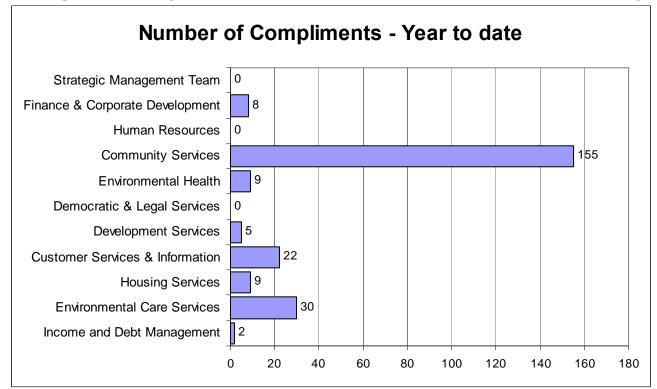
For more information contact Ian Strachan on 01536 534181.



# **Customer Compliments**

Year to date 10/11

### Table showing quarterly breakdown of customer compliments by service



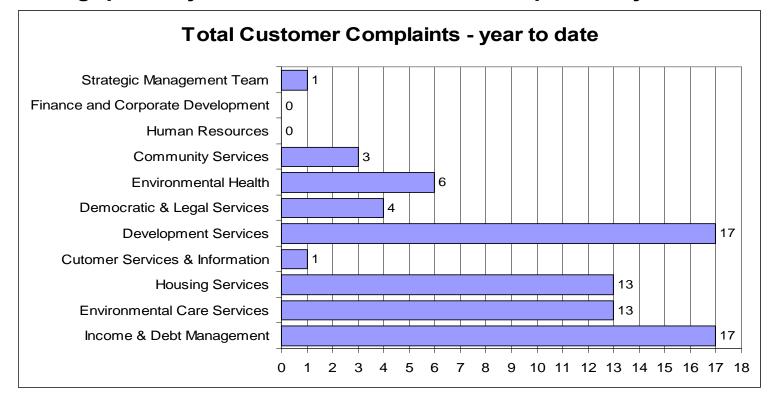
Quarter	Income & Debt Management	Environmenta I Care Services	Housing Services	Customer Services & Information	Development Services	Democratic & Legal Services	Environmenta I Health	Community Services	Human Resources	Finance & Corporate Development	Strategic Management Team	TOTAL
1	1	4	5	5	1	0	4	68	0	1	0	89
2	1	8	4	5	0	0	3	85	0	0	0	106
3	0	13	0	11	2	0	2	1	0	7	0	36
4	0	5	0	1	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	9
Total	2	30	9	22	5	0	9	155	0	8	0	240

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# **Customer Complaints**

Year to date 10/11

### Table showing quarterly breakdown of customer complaints by service

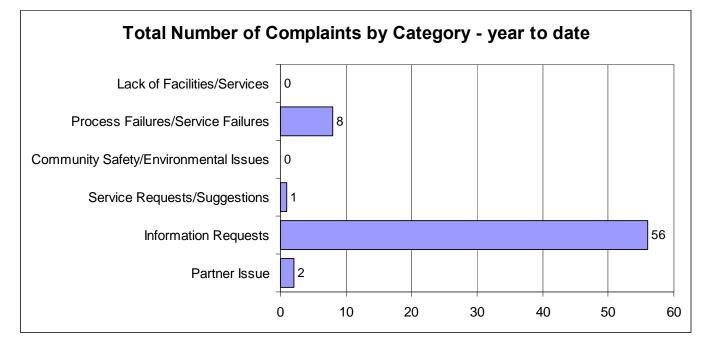


	Income & Debt Management	Environmental Care Services	Housing Services	Cutomer Services & Information	Development Services	Democratic & Legal Services	Environmental Health	Community Services	Human Resources	Finance and Corporate Development	Strategic Management Team	
Q1	4	3	4	0	5	2	1	1	0	0	0	20
Q2	5	2	3	0	8	1	4	0	0	0	0	23
Q3	6	5	4	1	4	1	1	1	0	0	1	24
Q4	2	3	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	8
TOTAL	17	13	13	1	17	4	6	3	0	0	1	75

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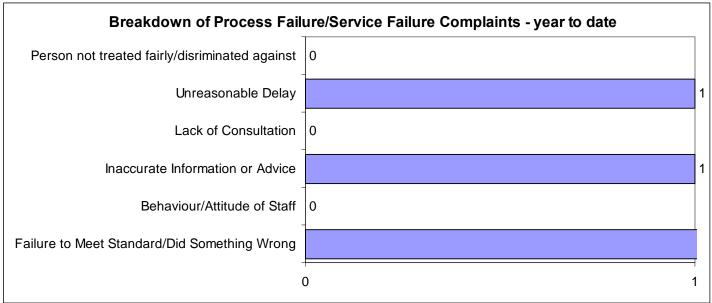
# **Customer Complaints**

Year to date 10/11

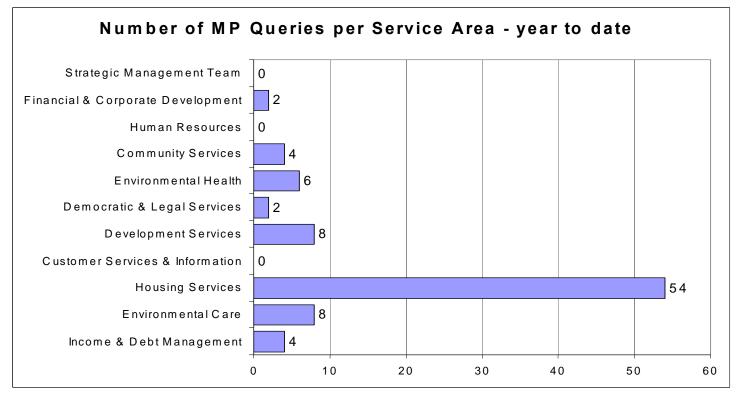


Breakdown of customer complaints into categories

Breakdown of the process failure/service failure complaints into further categories



### Table showing quarterly breakdown of MP queries by service

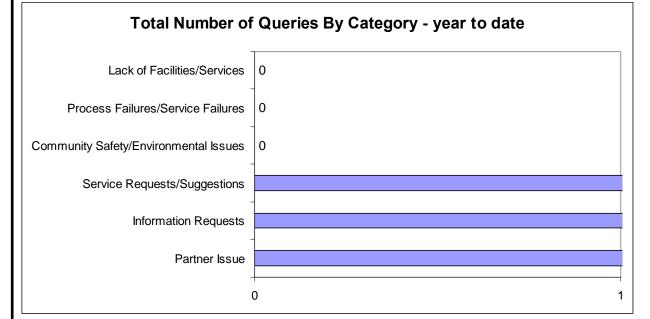


QUARTER	Income & Debt Management	Environmental Care Services	Housing Services	Cutomer Services & Information	Development Services	Democratic & Legal Services	Environmental Health	Community Services	Human Resources	Finance and Corporate Development	Strategic Management Team	TOTAL
Q1	1	1	12	0	3	0	1	1	0	1	0	20
Q2	2	5	20	0	3	0	1	2	0	0	0	33
Q3	1	2	22	0	2	1	4	1	0	1	0	34
Q4	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
TOTAL	4	8	54	0	8	2	6	4	0	2	0	88

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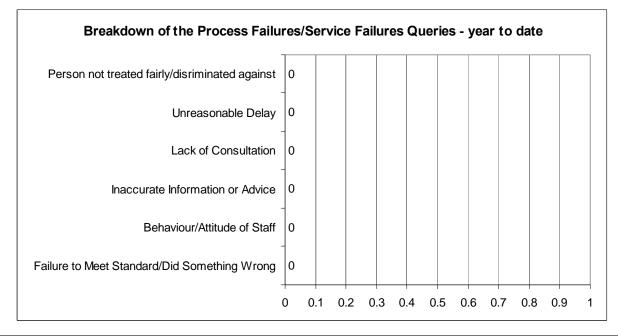
### MP Queries

Year to date 10/11



Breakdown of MP queries into categories

Breakdown of the process failure/service failure queries into further categories



# Focus on: Summary of Internal Audit Reports Published

This section of the Performance Information Booklet provides a summary of Audit reports published since the last Monitoring & Audit Committee.

For more information contact Graham Soulsby on 01536 534181.



Full Assurance – the system under review contains all of the controls required to mitigate the identified risks and they have operated consistently

Substantial – the system under review contains the majority of the controls required to mitigate the identified risks and they have operated consistently

Acceptable – the system under review contains most of the expected controls required to mitigate the identified risks but they have not been operating consistently

Limited – the system under review contains few of the controls required to mitigate the identified risks and/or the controls have not been operating consistently

None - the majority of expected controls have either not been appropriately designed or have not operated consistently



# INTERNAL AUDIT REPORTS Summary of Reports Published since **November** Monitoring & Audit Committee

#### Council Tax Overall level of assurance – Acceptable (reduced scope review)

Ref	System Control Objective and High Level Control(s)	Acceptable Limited	None
1	The integrity of the system and data is maintained  Independent review of exceptions undertaken  Declarations of Interest made and reviewed	✓	
2	All taxable properties and liable persons are identified, assessed recorded and accurately maintained.  • Control totals for bandings are promptly reconciled to listings from Valuation Office	<b>✓</b>	
3	Amounts due are accurately calculated and promptly demanded.  • Gross debit is reconciled, Uprates input and checked	✓	
4	Amounts collected are promptly posted to the correct accounts.  • The Council Tax system is reconciled to feeder systems (cash, pay point / direct debits and Benefits).	~	
5	<ul> <li>All non-payments are promptly identified and actively pursued.</li> <li>Arrears reports showing arrears by age, type and location are independently reviewed for action taken</li> </ul>	~	

<b>Recommendations</b> Made	Agreed	
High Priority	0	0
Medium Priority	0	0
Low Priority	0	0

# **Housing Benefits** Overall level of assurance – Acceptable (reduced scope review)

Ref	System Control Objective and High Level Control(s)	Acceptable	Limited None
1	The integrity of system and data is maintained  • Exception reports produced, reviewed and necessary actions evidenced  • Employees dealing with Benefits declare interests in any accounts  • Manual checks are undertaken after the annual system uprates are loaded to ensure the system calculates claims accurately  • Monthly reconciliation are undertaken with feeder systems:	✓	
2	• Independent quality assurance checks are completed and results reported in connection with compliance with legislation. Programme includes backdated claims, overpayments, new claims, changes in circumstances, discretionary benefit awards	✓	

Recommendations Mad	de Agreed	
High Priority	0	0
Medium Priority	0	0
Low Priority	0	0

#### **NNDR** Overall level of assurance – Substantial

Ref	System Control Objective	Full S	ubstantial	Acceptable	Limited	None
1	The integrity of the system and data is maintained.	<b>√</b>				
2	All taxable properties and liable persons are identified, assessed, recorded and accurately maintained.			<b>✓</b>		
3	Amounts due are accurately calculated and promptly demanded.		<b>√</b>			
4	All exemptions, reliefs, refunds, voids and write offs are identified, authorised and accurately recorded.	✓				
5	Amounts collected are promptly posted to the correct account.	<b>√</b>				
6	All non-payments are promptly identified and actively pursued.			✓		

Recommendations Made	Agreed	
High Priority	0	0
Medium Priority	1	1
Low Priority	4	3

Right To Buy Overall level of assurance – Limited

Ref	System Control Objective	Full	Substantial	Acceptable	Limited	None
1	Policies and procedures complied with.				<b>√</b>	
2	Legislation complied with.				<b>√</b>	
3	Service charges correctly calculated and invoiced.				<b>√</b>	

<b>Recommendations</b> Made	de Agreed	
High Priority	6	6
Medium Priority	2	2
Low Priority	0	0

### Follow Ups completed:

#### Corporate Governance

Recommendations Agreed		<u>Implementation</u>			
		<u>Full</u> Part	t No	ne	
High Priority	0				
Medium Priority	6	1	2	2 1*	
Low Priority	0				

<sup>\*</sup> No Longer Applicable

#### Health & Safety

Recommendations Agreed		<u>Implementation</u>			
		Full Par	rt	None	e
High Priority	1	1			
Medium Priority	3	1	2		
Low Priority	0				

# Focus on: Questions and Amendments



# **Questions Log**

#### **Questions raised at Committee on 10th June 2009:**

#### With reference to NI 195, what is the difference between litter and detritus?

#### Litter

There is no statutory definition of litter. The Environmental Protection Act 1990 (s.87) states that litter is 'anything that is dropped, thrown, left or deposited that causes defacement, in a public place'. This accords with the popular interpretation that 'litter is waste in the wrong place'.

However, local authority cleansing officers and their contractors have edeveloped a common understanding of the term and the definition used for NI 195 (and for the LEQSE) is based on this industry norm.

Litter includes mainly synthetic materials, often associated with smoking, eating and drinking, that are *improperly* discarded and left by members of the public; or are spilt during waste management operations.

#### **Detritus**

There is no statutory def inition of detritus, howev er, local authority cleansin g officers and their contractors have developed a common understanding of the term and the definition used for the NI 195 (and for the LEQSE) is based on this industry norm.

Detritus comprises dust, mud, soil, grit, gravel , stones, rotted leaf and vegetable residues, a nd fragments of twigs, glass, plastic and other finely divided materials.

Detritus includes leaf and blossom falls when they have substantially lost their structure and have become mushy or fragmented.

# For Council tax and NNDR collection can we provide information to show whether we will achieve the year end target?

For both LPI 9 and LPI 10 a profile target is now included in the performance report to show whether performance is on target each month. This is to help in dicate performance for the year. For example if we are achieving the monthly profiled target then the year end target will be achieved.

#### Are the crime indicators rolling figures?

Yes, LPI 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98 are all rollin g 12 month figures and therefore will be the total number of recorded crimes for a 12 month period i.e. April 2008 to April 2009. The data for these indicators is provided by the Compass Unit which supports the Police in analysis and statistics.

The CDRP have set 5% reduction targets for each of the crime indicat ors which are to be achieved by 2010/2011. To help monitor perform ance of these indicators monthly profiled targets have been provided in the report to help show whether performance is on track.

# **Questions Log**

#### **Questions raised at Committee on 17th November 2009:**

# What is the difference between the indicators that have been introduced to monitor climate change?

#### NI 185 - CO<sub>2</sub> reduction from local authority operations

This indicator was introduced to record all emissions created from Kettering Borough Council operations in order to reduce the amount created year on year.

This is measured by business mileage for both members and staff and all of the fleet vehicles. Along with the levels of electricity and gas used in all council buildings that are delivering a local authority service even if they are contracted out.

The first year of collection was in 2008/2009 and therefore at the end of 2009/2010 total emissions can be compared and the outturn for this indicator will be the percentage change from the previous year.

#### NI 186 - Per capita reduction in CO<sub>2</sub> emissions in the LA area

This indicator was introduced to measure per head the level of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions created in the local area from the business and public sector, domestic housing and road transport. These statistics are produced centrally by Defra who publish these for each authority.

The first year of reporting was in 2008/2009 and good performance is demonstrated by an increasing year on year percentage reduction in CO<sub>2</sub> emissions per capita. Please note the latest data available for this is per capita emissions in 2005, 2006 and 2007.

Although Kettering Borough Council does not have control over this indicator, the aim is for the council to take actions to help reduce the level of emissions created. Examples include communicating key messages on energy saving, by putting in place green initiatives and working with local people, schools and businesses to help reduce the impact on climate change.

#### NI 188 - Planning to adapt to climate change

This indicator measures the progress of local authorities in managing climate risks and opportunities and putting in place appropriate actions where required.

This indicator is a process based measure by which assessments are made annually against the level of preparedness on a scale of level 0 (baseline) to level 4.

For each level there is a different set of criteria to meet, for example at level 0 this involves starting to assess potential threats and opportunities and agreed next steps through to level 5 which involves the authority having in place and delivering an adaptation action plan.

Each year Kettering Borough Council are required to submit a self assessment jointly with all other authorities in the County to indicate which level has been achieved.

# **Questions Log**

#### **Questions raised at Committee on 17th November 2009:**

# When will national comparable data be available for the national indicators collected in 2008/2009?

The Audit Commission have now published a spreadsheet on their website which includes some of the national indicator quartile data for 2008/2009. Where this is available we have included it within the performance information section.

# Is there any comp arable dat a availa ble for the local crime performance indicators?

There is no comparable data for these particula r indicators, only comparison information is available for crimes per 1,000 residents. These indicators are received from the Compass Unit and are also reported to the CDRP on a regular basis.

#### **Questions raised at Committee on 28th September 2010**

#### Why are lower percentages better for NI 195a-d?

There had been some confusion ar ound NI 195a-d and why lower per centages are better. The indicators highlight the % of land/ highways that have levels of litter / detritus / graffi ti / flyposting that are unacceptable, meaning that a lower figure represents cleaner streets, which of course is more desirable.

#### Can in year figures for annual housing completions be included?

In year figures have been inc luded in the Deve lopment Services Performance Information taken from the most recent Perform ance Clin ic. This allows members to get a more contemporary position of performance.

#### Can a year end estimate for the number of affordable homes be included?

Year end estimates for the number of affordable homes expected in the year have also bee n included.

# Can we provide more contemporary comparative data to provide a better idea as to how the benefit s service perfor mance compares with others and also find out the impact the current climate is having on claims?

Head of Income and Debt will a ttend the next m eeting in November to provide an update o n performance.

# **Amendments Log**

#### **Amendments in: Focus on Performance Information (June 2009)**

- A profiled target column is now included to help indicate whether performance is on track to achieve the year end targets for a selection of the indicators.
- The result s from the Police survey interact ion cards available in our Cus tomer Servic e
  Centres are now provided as addition al information within the perform ance section. This
  information highlights what customers feel our priority issues are each month.
- The Equality Standard for Local Government has now been replaced by the Equality
  Framework for Local Government. LPI 2 used to be monitored by performance levels from 1
  to 5 but this is now changed to only 3 levels which are Developing, Achieving and Excellent.

To help with reporting these changes the following key will apply in future performance reports:

Level 2 = Developing
Level 3 = Achieving
Level 4 = Excellent

#### Amendments in: Focus on Financial Information (November 2009)

Members asked if the 5% adverse variance rule that colour codes a budget figure 'red' could be removed for income that exceeds budget. The sentiment being that we should see additional income as a positive rather than negative situation.

Officers have considered this proposal but for have continued to apply the variance indicator for the time being. The main reason for this is that although income in exc ess of budget is positive, the fact that the budget did not predict the right level of inco me needs to be at least exa mined to understand whether it was a budget error or unforeseeable event. The 'red' adverse indicator should therefore be viewed as a can opener for further examination, rather than a judgement as to whether something is good or bad.

#### **Amendments in: Focus on Performance Information (February 2010)**

NI 186 (per capita reduction in CO<sub>2</sub> emissions in the local area) has been added to the two page summary under the greener environment section.

#### Amendments in: Value for Money Analysis (April 2010)

Value For Money Analysis added to report for members' information as a 'one off' item.

#### Amendments in: Focus on Performance Information (April 2010)

NI 179 (Value For Money) has been added to the two page summary under the Enhanced Local Government section.

#### **Amendments in: Focus on Performance Information (June 2010)**

All performance data has been changed to reflect the indicators to be collected for 2010/11

### Feedback Form

We would like to hear your views and suggestions. If you have any comments, please complete the response section below, detach it and send it to:

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Alternatively, e-mail: guyholloway@kettering.gov.uk Or leave a message on our website www.kettering.gov.uk

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