Year End Commentary by Performance Exception for the Development Management Committee

Commentary is provided to explain why performance is currently not on target, with details of any corrective action.

PM40: Number of affordable homes delivered (Gross) was 23, the target to date is 30, and last year's comparison figure was 30.

Capacity within the RSL sector and Government changes around rent restructuring has impacted on the financial capacity and confidence of the sector to take on new schemes. Fylde BC are working with RSL partners to widen out the partnership to encourage new RSLs to work within Fylde.

PM39: Net additional homes provided was 305, the target to date is 366, and last year's comparison figure was 208.

This indicator is not something we have direct control over. There have been a no. of large Housing Applications approved recently and most of these are currently under construction, we would expect to see more completions over the coming months.

Commentary is provided to explain why progress has exceeded target, with details of how this will be maintained.

PM37: Percentage of minor applications determined within 8 weeks was 73.9%, the target is 60%, and last year's comparison figure was 56.25%.

In this reporting year the planning team was fully staffed, and able to take advantage of IT and organisational improvements that have brought efficiencies in the processing of applications. In previous years the team had focused on achieving improved speed performance in determining major applications, but this focus has been widened to bring improved performance in handling all types of application. This performance will be maintained through continued investigation and incorporation of improved working practices with further measures to introduce electronic working planned.

PM38: Percentage of other applications determined within 8 weeks was 85, target was 80, and last year's comparison figure was 69.33.

The measures referred to in PM37 apply equally here.

PM151: Percentage of speed of decisions on major planning applications (over a 2 year period) was 75.2, target is 60, and last year's comparison figure was 74.17.

The planning team have been charged for several years with delivering high quality and timely decisions on major applications as a key performance indicator for central government. As such efforts have been concentrated on achieving that in recent years, with the introduction of a second Senior Development Officer critical in delivering that performance in this reporting period. This staffing structure and new working practises is now helping performance on all application types as seen from the other performance indicators here. Maintaining this will be a challenge in the current year due to the key role that Lancashire County Highway play in many of the major decisions and the severe staff cuts that it has suffered are having a dramatic impact on their speed of consultation response and so impact on the performance of the planning team. Nevertheless officers will continue to strive to achieve timely decisions through the management of this consultee wherever possible.

PM152: Percentage of quality of decisions on major planning applications (over a 2 year period) was 7.04, the target is 10, and last year's comparison figure was 29.11.

The previous year's performance was an anomaly due to an unusually high number of major appeal decisions relating to residential schemes, and in this year the trend has normalised as a number of those decisions are now outside of the reporting period. The progress on the Fylde Local Plan has also given developers greater certainty as to where development will be supported and so the number of inappropriately located applications has reduced. The continued progress of the Local Plan will help maintain this performance along with officer efforts to deliver high quality schemes for decision.

PERFORMANCE KEY ICON STATUS

	Over Performance – the indictor is over performing against target
0	On Track – the indicator is performing within tolerance of target.
!	Cautionary Under Performance – the indicator is moderately under performing. Whilst the indicator has slipped from target it maybe a minor blip overall or minor action will remedy it.
8	Under Performance – the indicator is under performing against target.
3	Missing Data – the indicator is missing data, this could be due to lag in data in the way the information is collated, or because its currently unavailable.
N/A	Not Applicable – no comparable data available. This could be due to the methodology being change or being a new measure created.

PERFORMANCE SCORECARD APRIL 2015 TO MARCH 2016

Development Management										
Local Key Performance Indicators		Good Performance Is	APR 14 - MAR 15	APR 15 - MAR 16	Target	Status	Target for 2016/17	Changes Log		
PM40: Number of affordable homes delivered (Gross)		Bigger is Better	55	23	30	8	30	-		
PM39: Net additional homes provided		Bigger is Better	208	305	366	8	370	-		
PM38: Percentage of other applications determined within 8 weeks		Bigger is Better	69.33	85	80	②	80	-		
PM151: Percentage of speed of decisions on major planning applications (over a 2 year period)		Bigger is Better	74.03	75.78	60	②	70	-		
PM37: Percentage of minor applications determined within 8 weeks		Bigger is Better	55.96	77	60	②	60	-		
PM152: Percentage of quality of decisions on major planning applications (over a 2 year period)		Smaller is Better	29.11	7.04	10	②	10	-		