

# **Law & Democracy Democratic Services**

### **TO COUNCILLOR:**

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Mrs L M Broadley F S Broadlev D M Carter M H Charlesworth F S Ghattoraya

Mrs S Z Haq (Vice-Chair) Miss A Kaur K J Loydall Mrs S B Morris R E R Morris

Dear Sir or Madam

I hereby **SUMMON** you to attend a meeting of the **SERVICE DELIVERY COMMITTEE** to be held BY REMOTE VIDEO CONFERENCE (SEE INSTRUCTIONS BELOW) on TUESDAY, 9 MARCH **2021** at **6.00 PM** for the transaction of the business set out in the Agenda below.

Yours faithfully

Council Offices Wigston 01 March 2021 meecont



Mrs Anne E Court Chief Executive

#### **SPECIAL NOTE:**

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**(i) Remote Video Conference | Instructions** 

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**Zoom Video Conferencing Webinar** 

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# **Remote Meeting Procedure Rules:**

A summary of the Remote Meeting Procedures Rules to be adopted for the meeting is attached for reference.

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# 1. Apologies for Absence

To receive apologies for absence from Members to determine the quorum of the meeting in accordance with Rule 7 of Part 4 of the Constitution.

# 2. Appointment of Substitutes

To appoint substitute Members in accordance with Rule 26 of Part 4 of the Constitution and the Substitution Procedure Rules.

### 3. Declarations of Interest

Members are reminded that any declaration of interest should be made having regard to the Members' Code of Conduct. In particular, Members must make clear the nature of the interest and whether it is 'pecuniary' or 'non-pecuniary'.

# 4. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

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To read, confirm and sign the minutes of the previous meeting in accordance with Rule 19 of Part 4 of the Constitution.

# 5. Action List Arising from the Previous Meeting

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To read, confirm and note the Action List arising from the previous meeting.

# 6. Petitions and Deputations

To receive any Petitions and, or, Deputations in accordance with Rule(s) 11 and 12 of Part 4 of the Constitution and the Petitions Procedure Rules respectively.

# 7. Motions on Notice

To consider any Motions on Notice in accordance with Rule 14 of Part 4 of the Constitution.

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## **Summary of Remote Meeting Procedure Rules**

# (Section 1A of Part 4 of the Constitution)

# Disclosable Pecuniary Interests (Rule 7)

Any Member who declares a disclosable, pecuniary interest in any item of business on the agenda will be required to leave the remote meeting for the duration of the item.

Their departure will be confirmed by Democratic Services, who will then invite the relevant Member to re-join the meeting at the appropriate time.

# > Hosting Technology Failure (Rule 8)

Should the hosting technology fail during the meeting, the Chair will call an adjournment of up to fifteen minutes to determine whether the connection can be re-established.

If the connection cannot be re-established after fifteen minutes, the meeting shall stand adjourned to a later date to be confirmed.

# > Connection Failure for Individual Member (Rules 3 and 8)

In the event of connection failure for an individual Member, the meeting will proceed, providing it remains quorate (i.e. the minimum number of Members remain connected).

Should the meeting no longer be quorate, the meeting shall be adjourned and any remaining items of business will stand deferred to a later date to be confirmed.

# > Indicating to Speak (Rule 9)

Members must indicate their wish to speak by using the 'Raise Hand' function in Zoom.

The Chair and Democratic Services will work together to invite each Member to speak in the order that their hand was raised.

# Voting on Decision-Making Items (Rule 10)

Before proceeding to the vote on any item of business on the agenda which requires a decision, the Chair will ensure that all Members and Officers have no further comments to make by confirming with Democratic Services that no hands remain raised.

The Chair will clarify what motion and/or amendment is being voted upon before the vote.

Democratic Services will call each Member's name, in alphabetical order by surname, and each Member will indicate whether they are voting 'for', 'against' or 'abstaining' on the item.

Democratic Services will record each response and, once all Members have voted, confirm the outcome of the vote.

### > Voting on Housing-Keeping / Information-Only Items (Rule 10)

In respect of voting on all other housing-keeping or information-only items of business on the agenda, the Chair will ask Members to raise their hand using the function in Zoom.

If all hands are raised, those items will be agreed by general affirmation.

# Agenda Item 4

# MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE SERVICE DELIVERY COMMITTEE HELD BY REMOTE VIDEO CONFERENCE ON TUESDAY, 8 SEPTEMBER 2020 COMMENCING AT 6.10 PM

# **PRESENT (BY REMOTE LINK)**

G A Boulter Chair
Mrs S Z Hag Vice-Chair

### **COUNCILLORS**

Mrs R H Adams

N Alam

L A Bentley

J W Boyce

Mrs L M Broadley

D M Carter

F S Ghattoraya

K J Loydall JP

Mrs S B Morris

R E R Morris

# **OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE (BY REMOTE LINK)**

S J Ball Trainee Solicitor (acting as the Democratic Services Officer)

Mrs A E Court Chief Executive / Head of Paid Service

Ms P Fisher Head of Customer Service & Transformation
D M Gill Head of Law & Democracy / Monitoring Officer

S Hinds Deputy Chief Executive

Mrs A Lennox MBE Head of Community & Wellbeing

A Thorpe Head of Built Environment

S Tucker Democratic & Electoral Services Manager / Deputy Monitoring Officer

### 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

An apology for absence was received from Councillors F S Broadley and M H Charlesworth.

# 2. APPOINTMENT OF SUBSTITUTES

None.

# 3. <u>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</u>

None.

# 4. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

By affirmation of the meeting, it was

### **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED THAT:**

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 3 March 2020 be taken as read, confirmed and signed.

# 5. ACTION LIST ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

**Service Delivery Committee (Remote Video Conference)** 

Tuesday, 8 September 2020

Chair's Initials

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By affirmation of the meeting, it was

#### **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED THAT:**

The Action List arising from the previous meeting held on 3 March 2020 be noted.

### 6. <u>PETITIONS AND DEPUTATIONS</u>

None.

# 7. COUNCIL PERFORMANCE UPDATE (Q1 2020/21)

The Committee gave consideration to the report and appendices (as set out on pages 11 - 39 of the agenda reports pack) which asked it to note the update regarding the progress during quarter one of the 2020/21 financial year towards achieving the priorities of the Council's Objectives.

Members requested that further information be provided at future meetings identifying those who have dropped-out of Lightbulb Disabled Facilities Grants (DFG's) yet remain in need of alternative assistance.

Members requested that in the next quarterly-reporting cycles, an estimated end-point for Council Tax and National Non-Domestic Rates (NNDR) collection rates be provided to better inform future target and budget setting.

Members requested that at a full breakdown be provided at future meetings regarding all incident types of anti-social behaviour (ASB) for each quarter.

Members requested that a survey be undertaken of those 12 Members who were still in receipt of hard paper copies of agendas etc. to explore the individual barriers faced to successfully migrate to paperless meetings.

By affirmation of the meeting, it was

#### **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED THAT:**

The performance of the Council against its Corporate Objectives in delivering services be noted.

# THE MEETING CLOSED AT 7.16 PM

<u>&amp;</u>
Chair
Tuesday, 09 March 2021

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# Agenda Item 5

# **SERVICE DELIVERY COMMITTEE**

# **ACTION LIST**

# Arising from the Meeting held on Tuesday, 08 September 2020

No.	Minute Ref. / Item of Business	*Action Details / Action Due Date	Responsible Officer(s)' Initials	Action Status		
1.	7 Council Performance Update (Q1 2020/21)	Further information be provided at future meetings identifying those who have dropped-out of DFG's yet remain in need of alternative assistance. <b>Due by Ongoing</b>	AdTh ChEy	Ongoing		
		At the last partnership meeting, the Head of the Built Environment asked Lightbulb to provide a case study to provide an example of the reason for a drop out and the support / alternative assistance that was provided to the customer. Lightbulb is currently following a case, with consent from the customer, and this will be reported to a future meeting.				
2.	7 Council Performance Update (Q1 2020/21)	An estimated end-point for Council Tax and NNDR collection rates be provided to inform future target and budget setting.  **Due by Feb-21**	StHi CoCa	Complete (Verbal Update)		
3.	7 Council Performance Update (Q1 2020/21)	A full breakdown be provided at future meetings regarding all incident types of anti-social behaviour for each quarter.  **Due by Mar-21**	AvLe ThMc	Complete (Report Update (Agenda Item 8))		
4.	7 Council Performance Update (Q1 2020/21)	A survey be undertaken of those 12 Members still in receipt of hard paper copies of agendas etc. to explore the individual barriers faced to successfully migrate to paperless meetings.  **Due by Oct-20**	DaGi StTu SaBa	Complete (Report Update (Agenda Item 8))		
		The full survey responses (8 receive Members) were circulated to Memb				

<sup>\* |</sup> All actions listed are those which are informally raised by Members during the course of debate upon a given item of business which <u>do not</u> form part of - but may be additional, incidental or ancillary to - any motion(s) carried. These actions are for the attention of the responsible Officer(s).

**Service Delivery Committee** Tuesday, 08 September 2020 Chair's Initials

# **MOTION ON NOTICE**

Service Delivery Committee | Tuesday, 09 March 2021

# **Fireworks**

# **That this Committee resolves:**

- To require all public firework displays within the local authority boundaries to be advertised in advance of the event, allowing residents to take precautions for their animals and vulnerable people;
- (ii) To actively promote a public awareness campaign about the impact of fireworks on animal welfare and vulnerable people – including the precautions that can be taken to mitigate risks;
- (iii) To write to the UK Government urging them to introduce legislation to limit the maximum noise level of fireworks to 90dB for those sold to the public for private displays; and
- (iv) To encourage local suppliers of fireworks to stock 'quieter' fireworks for public display.

Councillor Kevin J Loydall

(Proposer)

The above motion was duly received by the Head of Law & Democracy on 5 February 2021 in accordance with Rule 14, Section 1 of Part 4 of the Constitution of the Council.

# Agenda Item 7b.

# MOTION ON NOTICE

Service Delivery Committee | Tuesday, 09 March 2021

# **Sky Lanterns / Helium Balloons**

# **That this Committee resolves:**

- (i) To ban the use and release of sky lanterns and helium balloons meant for release on all Council-owned public open space;
- (ii) To discourage the release of sky lanterns and helium balloons at any events licensed by Oadby & Wigston Borough Council and request third parties who lease Council property to observe the ban on balloon and sky lantern releases;
- (iii) To delegate authority to the Head of Law & Democracy, in consultation with the Chair & Vice-Chair of the Policy, Finance & Development Committee to make any consequential changes to Council policies and agreements in relation to the use of Council land as a result of this motion; and
- (iv) To promote information to local people, leading to better understanding of the damage sky lanterns and helium balloons can do.

Councillor Garth (Bill) A Boulter

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(Proposer)

The above motion was duly received by the Head of Law & Democracy on 5 February 2021 in accordance with Rule 14, Section 1 of Part 4 of the Constitution of the Council.

# Agenda Item 8



# Service Delivery Committee

# Tuesday, 09 March 2021

Matter for Information

Report Title: Corporate Performance Update (Q3 2020/21)

Report Author(s): Philippa Fisher (Head of Customer Service & Transformation)

To provide an update on progress during Quarter 3 of the 2020/21 Financial Year towards achieving the priorities of the Oadby and Wigston Borough Council's Strategic Objectives as agreed in 2020. The report combines updates on key service delivery achievements coupled with the Council's key performance indications in a single report.
There are 98 Key Performance Indicators for our Corporate Plan Objectives. These are categorised by each objective and service delivery arm. Each target has been graded using the Red/Amber/Green status ranking system.
There are two other ranks, a "blue" ranking and this is for indicators where work has yet to begin and a "white" ranking system where it is outside the control of the Council for delivery, and therefore cannot be ranked. Out of the 98 indicators, 79 were due for reporting as at the end of Quarter Three. Of the 98, 63 were green status, 11 were amber status, and 5 were red status.
This equates to 80% Green, 14% Amber and 6% Red status. The COVID19 pandemic continues to have a significant impact on the reporting of some of the KPI's and the ability to deliver.
That the performance of the Council against its Corporate Objectives in delivering services be noted.
Stephen Hinds (Deputy Chief Executive Officer / Section 151 Officer) (0116) 257 2681 <a href="mailto:stephen.hinds@oadby-wigston.gov.uk">stephen.hinds@oadby-wigston.gov.uk</a> Philippa Fisher (Head of Customer Service & Transformation) (0116) 257 2677 <a href="mailto:philippa.fisher@oadby-wigston.gov.uk">philippa.fisher@oadby-wigston.gov.uk</a>
Building, Protecting and Empowering Communities (CO1) Providing Excellent Services (CO3)
"A Strong Borough Together" (Vision) Accountability (V1) Innovation (V4)
There are no implications arising from this report.
There are no implications directly arising from this report.
Reputation Damage (CR4) Organisational/Transformational Change (CR8)

Appendices:	<ol> <li>HRA Capital Programme (2020/21)</li> <li>Repairs and Housing Survey Results</li> <li>Net Promoter Score Metric Explanation</li> <li>DFG Performance Report Q3</li> <li>LB DFG Dashboard Q3</li> <li>Information Report HSC Q3</li> <li>LB HSC Dashboard Q3</li> <li>Information Report Q3</li> </ol>				
Background Papers:	• Corporate Plan (2019 -2024)				
Consultees:	None.				
Monitoring Officer:	The report is satisfactory.				
Chief Finance Officer:	The report is satisfactory.				
Head of Paid Service:	The report is satisfactory.				
Statutory Officers' Com	ments:-				
Health and Safety:	There are no implications arising from this report.				
Human Rights:	There are no implications arising from this report.				
Equalities and Equalities Assessment (EA):	There are no implications arising from this report.  EA not applicable.				

#### 1. Introduction

- 1.1. As part of the Council's ongoing development to performance management and reporting, 2020/21 sees the next stage in how we measure and report Council performance (alongside the standard finance and statutory reporting framework).
- 1.2. The Council has produced 98 new Key Performance Measures for 2020/21, and these measures relate to each of the Council's three new Corporate Objectives as part of the Council's new five year Corporate Plan (2019-2024)
- 1.3. These measures are "outcome" based measures, meaning that they identify key deliverables for the authority that actively work towards meeting the Corporate Objectives, and will allow for greater accountability and transparency. This will mean that the public, Members and Officers can clearly see how the Council is performing against its objectives, and if it isn't, then why it isn't.
- 1.4. The narrative from each service highlights the key activities, issues and outcomes that they have been working on, delivered or encountered during the first quarter of the year, and these directly correlate to achieving the Council's Corporate Plan.

# 2. Corporate Performance

- 2.1. The following report provides analysis and statistics on the performance of the indicators used to monitor our progress against the Council's new Corporate Objectives.
- 2.2. There are three main objectives, with these being:
  - Building, Protecting and Empowering Communities;
  - Growing the Borough Economically; and
  - Effective Service Provision.
- 2.3. There are 98 Key Performance Indicators for our Corporate Plan Objectives. These are categorised by each objective and service delivery arm. Each target has been graded using the Red/Amber/Green status ranking system. There is also a "blue" ranking and this is for indicators where work has yet to begin, and therefore cannot be ranked. Finally, there is a "white" rating where the indicator cannot be met due to circumstances outside of the Council's control. The scoring system has been applied using the following definitions:

**Green** Target fully achieved or is currently on track to achieve target

Amber Indicator is in danger of falling behind target

**Red** Indicator is off target or has been completed behind the deadline target.

2.4. Out of the 98 indicators, 79 were due for reporting as at the end of the financial year. It is important to note that COVID19 has had an impact on the reporting of some of the KPI's and the ability to deliver and these have fallen into the white and blue categories.

Of the 79:

**63** were green status

11 were amber status

**5** were red status

This equates to 80% Green, 14% Amber and 6% Red status. The previous quarter was

80% Green, 18% Amber and 2% Red. The following table identifies the Council's performance, by objective and service delivery section.

**Chart 1: Performance Table by Corporate Objective** 

	Gre	Green		Amber		ed	
Quarter Three 2020/21	Number of Indicators	Percentage	Number of Indicators	Percentage	Number of Indicators	Percentage	
Overall Performance							
All Targets Due	63	80%	11	14%	5	6%	
Corporate Priority							
Building, Protecting and Empowering							
Communities	22	88%	1	4%	2	8%	
Growing the Borough Economically	10	71%	4	29%	0	0%	
Providing Excellent Services	31	78%	6	15%	3	7%	

**Chart 2: Performance Table by Service Delivery** 

	Gre	en	Amber		Red	
Quarter Three 2020/21	Number of Indicators	Percentage	Number of Indicators	Percentage	Number of Indicators	Percentage
Overall Performance						
All Targets Due	63	80%	11	14%	5	6%
Department						
Built Environment	19	82%	2	9%	2	9%
Community & Wellbeing	20	95%	1	5%	0	0%
Customer Service & Transformation	8	100%	0	0%	0	0%
Finance & Resources	8	54%	5	33%	2	13%
Law & Democracy	8	67%	3	25%	1	8%

# 3. Built Environment Update

# 3.1. **2019-20 Housing Capital Programme**

The summary provided within **Appendix 1** highlight that most elements of the capital programme were put on hold from March 2020 for various periods of time during the lockdown period. Towards the end of 2020 major projects have recommenced in part or programmes to start works have been planned and scheduled to start in March 2021.

# 3.2. Measuring Customer Satisfaction – Repairs and Housing

In 2020 we conducted a survey with 50 residents who have had major capital works carried out by our contractors Matthews and Tannert. Please see **Appendix 2** for the results which also includes an explanation of the particular process that was used to undertaken and report on the survey outcomes. Officers will explain this further in the meeting.

In March/April 2021 a comprehensive tenant questionnaire will be sent to tenants this will give tenants the opportunity to comment on:-

- Further works that have been carried out by our contractors.
- Other services provided by our housing department.
- The quality of the cleaning service.

The team of cleaners has maintained a 100% service throughout the year and during quarter 3 there has been no formal complaints received regarding the cleaning service. This is a significant improvement compared to when the service was provided by an

external contractor.

# 3.3 Gas Safety

There has been a dip in the numbers of people who have allowed the gas servicing contractors into their homes to carry out the annual gas service. Gas compliance is currently 94.21%.

64 properties do not have a current valid landlord gas safety certificate. The team have re-prioritised the resources in order to contact all tenants who have not had a gas service in the last year with a view to negotiating an agreed service date and to highlight the providing health and safety approach our contractors will take to carry out the gas service.

# 3.4 Lightbulb

The Quarter 3 Partnership Highlight Report and Disabled Facilities Grant and Housing Support Co-ordinator Performance Reports are included at **Appendix 3** and consists of 5 documents.

- Item 3A Lightbulb Highlight Report
- Item 5A DFG Performance Report
- Item 5A DFG Quarterly Dashboard
- Item 5B HSC Performance Report
- Item 5B HSC Quarterly Dashboard.

# 3.5 Exception Reporting - Built Environment

In order to highlight potential areas for improvement, this section details the targets that have been given a "Red" or "Amber" Status for the Built Environment.

Reference	Measure/Activity	Target	Frequency	Target Quarter	Corporate Objective	Sub-Objective	Service	December 2020 Commentary	December Forecast
вре 6	Determine minor planning applications within 56 days or within agreed Extensions of Time	56 days	Quarterly	Monitoring to begin Q1	Building, Protecting and Empowering Communities	Delivering High Quality and Healthy Lifestyles in Communities	Built Environment	3 applications determined with a 90 day average due to one going out of time and the applicant allowing an extension of time	Red
BPE 8	An appeal success rate of 70% or higher for 2020/21	70% of higher	Key Milestone	Quarter Four	Building, Protecting and Empowering Communities	Delivering High Quality and Healthy Lifestyles in Communities	Built Environment	3 appeals determined so far this year of which 1 dismissed (33.3%) and 2 allowed (66.6%). The number is still very low to generate a meaningful average and therefore the risk of MHCLG taking any action if the target is missed at the end of the year in minimal.	Red
GBE3	To have all the necessary approvals in place to commence the redevelopment of Paddock Street	Mar-21	Milestone	Quarter Four	Growing the Borough Economically	Delivering Development of the Town Centres	Built Environment	Whilst grant funding to support the delivery of a design and feasibility study has been approved from Leicestershire Business Rates Pool following a prolonged wait, the Council's contribution will now be incorporated into the 2021/22 financial year and the project will proceed during 2021 as reported to Full Council in December 2020.	Amber
PES 3	Void times for normal voids (those not requiring major works) kept to a minimum.	20 working days	Monthly	Quarter 1	Providing Excellent Services	Excellence for our Customers	Built Environment	The average void time for properties undergoing works is an estimated 27.52 days. The void definition is to be changed in 21-22 as we currently do not account for the void period during the lettings process.	Amber

# 4. Finance Update

#### 4.1 Revenues and Benefits

The Revenues Team is responsible for the administration and collection of Council Tax and Non-Domestic Rates (NDR) for the Borough of Oadby and Wigston.

The Benefits Team also receives, assesses and administers the Housing Benefit service as well as facilitating the implementation of Universal Credit which will ultimately replace Housing Benefit for most working-age claimants.

### 4.2 **Revenues**

The Revenues Team is responsible for administering and collecting £30m of Council Tax and £12m\* of Non-Domestic Rates which it does on behalf of Leicestershire County Council, the Leicestershire Police Service, the Combined Fire and Rescue Service and Central Government as well Oadby and Wigston Borough Council itself.

## \*Please Note

Due to the pandemic the government decided to award a 100% discount to all businesses that come under the hospitality, retail and leisure sector. This has change the collation figure above for Non-Domestic Rate to approx. £7m

The section is set specific collection targets for these income streams which are then included in the annual budget as part of the Council's core funding. Performance is measured through a comprehensive series of indicators which are reported to the area's management. Collection rates and arrears levels also are also reported as part of the Council's Key Performance Indicators.

The Revenues Team continue to process government Business Grants in response to Covid-19. Working with government guidance, they have developed a discretionary grant scheme to further support business that are not eligible for some of the national schemes. In attempting to assist with those struggling to pay their Council Tax extended instalments dates were offered to customers. This support continues to help residents make their payment.

# 4.3 **Collection Rates**

Council Tax and Business rates collection are both below target. You can see a real impact of Covid–19 from the Business Rates collection figures. The Council Tax collection rate is much closer to target as the team work hard to assist customers where possible whilst getting revenue in.

The Recovery Team have been issuing soft reminders for Council Tax since June 2020. They have now started to take formal action, in form of issuing statutory reminders letter from November 2020.

Statutory reminders letters are also now being issued for Business rates as of December 2020.

Court was scheduled for January 2021 but due to national lockdown this was cancelled and court remains closed until the new financial year at the earliest.

Percentage of Debit Collected (Accumulative)	Oct (%)	Nov (%)	Dec (%)
Council Tax			
Actual collection	64.43%	73.98%	83.21%
Target	66.79%	76.09%	85.20%
Actual Collection 2019/20	66.79%	76.09%	85.20%
Non Domestic Rates			
Actual collection	51.65%	62.25%	72.29%
Target	65.14%	73.99%	82.29%
Actual Collection 2019/20	65.56%	73.22%	81.32%

## 4.4 **Property Statistics**

	Oct	Nov	Dec
No of Council Tax Properties	23,587	23,597	23,597
No of Council Tax Direct Debits	17,678	17,712	17,682
No of Single Person Discounts	7,360	7,368	7,374
No of Businesses	1421	1421	1421

No of Business in receipt of Small	665	663	664
Business Rate Relief	005	003	004

# 4.5 **Exception Reporting - Finance**

In order to highlight potential areas for improvement, this section details the targets that have been given a "Red" or "Amber" Status for the Revenues and Benefits.

Reference •	Measure/Activity	Target	Target Quarter	Corporate Objective	Sub-Objective	Service	December 2020 Commentary	December Forecast
PES 10	Average time taken to process Non Universal Credit, Housing Benefit and Council Tax only Benefit claims	15 days	Quarter Four	Providing Excellent Services	Excellence for our Customers	Finance and Resources	Average 18.8 days to process non UC based claims	Amber
PES 11	Average time taken to process Council Tax Support Claims and Housing Benefit Claims based on Universal Credit	20 days	Quarter Four	Providing Excellent Services	Excellence for our Customers	Finance and Resources	Average 22.2 days taken to process UC based claims.	Amber
PES 32	Council tax collection rate	97.5%		Providing Excellent Services	Improving how we work	Finance and Resources	Target of 85.20% not met. Actual collection rate was 83.21%. Recovery on-going	red
PES 33	NNDR collection rate	98.50%		Providing Excellent Services	Improving how we work	Finance and Resources	72.29% collected against target of 82.29%. Formal recovery action commenced 03.12.20	red
PES 37	Reduce current tenant arrears (debt not in recovery)	4% of the annual rent debit		Providing Excellent Services	Improving how we work	Finance and Resources	Current Rent arrears £236,781 are 4.81% of the rent debit	Amber
PES 38	Reduce former tenant rent arrears (debt not in recovery)	Former tenants arrears not exceed £110,000		Providing Excellent Services	Improving how we work	Finance and Resources	Former tenant arrears are currently £119,390 relating to 223 cases. The arreas need to be looked at to bring them down under £100,000.	Amber
PES 44	To efficiently collect miscellaneous debits in a timely manner	Percentage of arrears over 90 days against total annual debt to below 20%		Providing Excellent Services	Improving how we work	Finance and Resources	Outstanding Debts are periodically reviewed and steps taken to receive a payment.	Amber

# 5. Community and Wellbeing Services Updates

### 5.1 **Leisure Contract:**

This report covers the period from October to December 2020. The leisure centres were open during October with limited services based on Gym, Fitness Classes and Swimming (Casual and Lessons), with the site teams ensuring that the buildings were operated in a COVID Secure manner, adhering to all restrictions as required.

Lockdown reoccurred in November with the sites reopening again in December, thus a stop start aspect to the service delivery had occurred.

There were no group exercise classes available from December due to the local tier restrictions and Casual swimming was not operated at Wigston during October.

#### Parklands Leisure Centre:

		2019				
	October	November	December	October	November	December
Gym	14515	13816	10825	13509	1756	13892
Ex Class	7340	7458	5252	4301	613	0
Swimming	4144	3845	2737	3328	448	3227
Aqua Ex	754	752	563	330	86	0
Swim						
Lesson	6716	6499	4707	4191	543	2638
Total	33469	32370	24084	25659	3446	19757

# Wigston Pool and Fitness Centre:

		2019		2020		
	October	November	December	October	November	December
Gym	5982	5682	3287	5223	773	5028
Ex Class					3	0
Swimming	4827	4554	2688		119	1515
Aqua Ex	200	189	95		3	0
Swim						
Lesson	4863	4805	3478	3738	486	1406
Total	15872	15230	9548	9081	1384	7949

The current fitness membership numbers have obviously been impacted significantly with the issues surrounding opening and this reflects in those holding fitness memberships at the sites.

# Parklands:

	2020	2019
October	2787	3746
November	2645	3632
December	2645	3569

# Wigston Pool and Fitness Centre:

	2020	2019
October	1142	1527
November	1084	1479
December	1143	1427

# 5.2 **Sport and Physical Activity Commissioning**

Whilst the ongoing pandemic has made it difficult to deliver many sport and physical activity programmes, the physical activity team has continued to create as much digital content as possible. This year's Active Oadby and Wigston awards were held online, and were viewed by 150 people. During the event, awards were announced for the following categories;

- Community Unsung Hero Award Pratik and Bee Master
- Citizen of the Year Rob and Ruth Elliott
- Young Citizen of the Year Tayleen Gill
- 5 Active Champions

- Christina Shepard
- The Fitness Bank
- Kris Elliott
- Wigston Foxes
- Val Heath

# 5.3 **Beat the Streets programme**

In November, the Community and Wellbeing team were successful in drawing down £30,000 in funding from Sport England and Leicestershire and Rutland Sport. This funding was for the national Beat the Street programme, which enables local people to travel through Wigston and South Wigston to find the games beat boxes. The programme aims to engage with 2,000 participants.

# 5.4 **Health and Wellbeing Board**

In October, members of the Health and Wellbeing Board ran a local Stoptober – Stop Smoking campaign. The campaign was run on the main Council and Active Oadby and Wigston digital platforms and external partners such as South Wigston GP Surgery. The campaign was successful with 28 new residents signing up for the Quit Ready Stop Smoking service.

# 5.5 **Community Recovery Grant Funding**

A COVID 19 Community Recovery Grant fund was established to support local Community and Voluntary groups in the Borough. This fund supports the reopening costs of facilities and services (such as PPE and signage) which have been impacted by the ongoing pandemic. The following groups have successfully received funding:

Wigston Framework Knitters Museum – £241.98 Oadby Owls Football Club – £300 1st Oadby (St Peters) Rainbows - £197.97 3rd Oadby St. Peter's Guides - £200

# 5.6 **Community Hub**

The Community Hub continues to support vulnerable residents through this quarter however the number of referrals remained low (2/3 per day). Cover was also put in place over the Christmas period. In addition, the Council financially supported the Boroughs' four foodbanks (£1,000 each) so they could provide food parcels to any family who have children that normally receive free school meals. This support was offered to 1,300 school children and their families over the Christmas School Holidays.

Key Community Hub Stats – September – December

- Total Community Hub Referrals 1,042 (+106 since last quarter)
- Number of Tasks Completed by Volunteers 547 (+45 since last quarter)
- Total Volunteering Hours 274 (+23 since last guarter)
- Total Registered Volunteers 136 (+5 since last quarter)
- Total Available Volunteers 101 (+5 since last quarter)

# 5.7 **Community Safety**

The Partnership continues to meet virtually and meetings have taken place in October and December. A core KPI for the Partnership is that 100% of all Tactical Actions agreed with the OPCC are completed. COVID has added an additional layer of complication to this with

several actions either being unable to progress, particularly actions focussed on events or school engagement, or having to be amended to meet current COVID restrictions.

The OPCC has been kept updated of all changes to Tactical Actions through the Partnership's meetings, and has raised no concerns with performance against the Tactical Actions to date.

Additionally, despite a national increase in reports of ASB, there have been no Community Trigger Review Requests received by the Council. This indicates that the Council and its partners are addressing ASB concerns to the satisfaction of the reporters, and resolving issues in a timely manner.

# 5.8 Young People / Youth Provision

Youth provision remains shut across the County due to COVID. Schools are operating at significantly reduced capacity, being open only to the children of key workers. This has had a significant impact on the ability of professionals to engage with young people directly. This has unavoidably caused disruption to the ability of the Borough's Youth Council to both conduct its business and promote itself, causing additional barriers to successfully recruiting young people at what has been, historically, a critical time to do so - the start of the new school year.

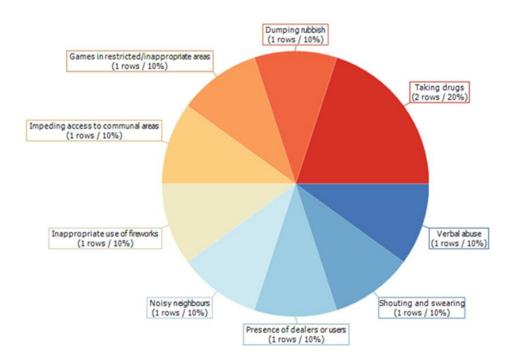
As a consequence October's and December's meetings of the Youth Council were non-quorate, and unable to go ahead. Conversations between relevant Members, Officers, and Partners continue but without ready access to a wide body of young people, or the support of schools, realistically the Youth Council is likely to be paused until such time as COVID measures are relaxed enough to enable this engagement.

### 5.9 Anti-Social Behaviour

Throughout the months of October, November and December 2020, the Council was liaising with the IMPACT Team based at County Council (team of youth workers) who have been attending anti-social behaviour (ASB) hotspot areas and engaging with any young people present. They have been educating them on issues surrounding COVID as well as keeping safe and the effects of ASB. It is worth noting that in the IMPACT Team's findings, young people in ASB hotpot areas have significantly reduced in these months. This may be due to a mix of restrictions with COVID and the season.

The Council will also continue to offer the Acceptable Behaviour Contract (ABC) Incentive Scheme to those young people who improve their behaviour however no young person signed an AC during Q3 2020.

The Council submitted and investigated **5** Sentinel reports in October 2020, **3** in November 2020 and **3** in December 2020. The chart below shows the different types of ASB the Council received during Q3 2020.



# 5.10 **Council Park Ranger**

The Council's new Park Ranger started in post on 11 February 2021. Eleanor Pratt has a wealth of professional qualifications, experience and knowledge, including having worked in land and estate management. She has worked on the Stanford Hall Estate, and at Kelmarsh Hall, as well as working in partnership with Natural England.

One of Eleanor's first priorities is to make contact with the range of volunteers who prior to COVID-19 were involved in conservation volunteering. She will also re-engage with our local community groups and ensure accreditations such as the Green Flag award are progressed.

# 5.11 Refuse, Recycling and Green Waste Updates

During the third quarter refuse tonnages have increased by 9.6% over the previous year (2019) from 2151 tonnes to 2359 tonnes. Similarly the recycling tonnages have also increased albeit to a slightly lesser amount of 8.6% from 1125 tonnes to 1223 tonnes.

The increases are most likely due to limited bookings at the Recycling and Household Waste Sites and residents remaining at home during the lockdown period. There has also been a considerable amount of contamination in communal bins in some developments around the Borough. Officers have been working together with the landlords to promote the importance of recycling.

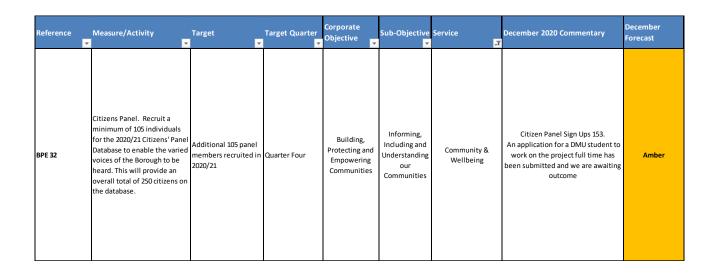


The below graph show there was a slight increase of green waste collected during the winter months.



# 5.12 Exception Reporting – Community and Wellbeing

In order to highlight potential areas for improvement, this section details the targets that have been given a "Red" or "Amber" status for the Community and Wellbeing Services.



# 6. Customer Service and Transformation Update

- 6.1 **Customer Service Centre** The Customer Service Centre closed to the public on 23 March 2020 and since then has been providing a 'business as usual service' virtually. The Customer Service Centre remains closed as at this time as it is not feasible to open in a COVID19 safe way.
- 6.2 The table below shows call volumes based on 2019 versus 2020. This would indicate that residents are utilising other methods to find out the necessary information they require.

#### **Call Volumes**

	October Call volume	November Call volume	December Call volume
Full Enquiries			
2019	2387	2639	1943
2020	3307	2972	1763
Telephone quick enquiries/switchboard redirection			
2019	2123	1789	1389
2020	1490	1423	969

### 6.3 **Customer Service Excellence Accreditation**

In December 2020 the Council were assessed for the Customer Service Excellence Achievement Award. There were 59 criteria which the Council were measured on. The grading is measured on four criterions; compliant plus, compliant, partial compliance and non-compliant. We passed the award and for our first year we received 4 compliant pluses, 54 compliants and 1 partial compliance.

# 6.4 **Improving Customer Satisfaction**

Complaints - As well as working on obtaining the Customer Service Excellence Award the Council has researched other innovative elements to help compliment the award that will help drive our cultural shift to a more customer focused Council.

We have therefore refined our complaints process by using our Customer Service Centre Technical Staff to triage calls. This enables us to do 'first time' resolution with callers and reduce their frustration and potential delay on what previously would have been put through as a full complaint. This process commenced in November 2020.

We have implemented two modules for staff for complaints training on our on-line Learning Pool. All staff are in the process of taking the course and it will be included for new starters as part of their induction process. There is an additional module for Managers which demonstrates how to respond to a complaint and explains the process in more detail.

Customer Satisfaction Surveys – We have introduced two new types of Customer Satisfaction Surveys.

The first is based on our CSC Technical Officers asking callers 6 specific questions on the service that callers have received when they called the CSC.

Customer Service Centre Satisfaction Surveys					
Month (only commenced in Nov 2020) Number completed Result					
November 67 98.0%					
December	59	96.0%			

The second survey type is measuring our other service areas across the Council. This can be completed on the phone, via e mail or text.

Service Area Satisfaction Sur		
Month (only commenced in Nov 2020)	Result	
November	22	19 very satisfied 3 satisfied
December	7	7 very Satisfied

# 6.5. **Service Level Agreements**

As part of our programme to ensure that we have continuous improvement to our services across the Council we have implemented Service Level Agreements across all service areas with targets and metrics and these are reviewed on a monthly basis and published on our website on a monthly basis for transparency with our residents and businesses.

# 6.6 Paying on Line – Move to CIVICA

The implementation date for CIVICA was delayed due to the Council not be happy with the testing phases. In December the implementation successfully took place on 17 November 2020, without diminishment to services and the general public.

# 6.7. **Exception Reporting – Customer Service and Transformation**

In order to highlight potential areas for improvement, this section details the targets that have been given a 'Red' or 'Amber' status for Customer Service and Transformation. There are no red or amber statuses for Customer Service and Transformation.

# 6.8. **Exception Reporting – Customer Service and Transformation**

There is no exception reporting for Customer Service and Transformation.

# 7. Law and Democracy Update

# 7.1 **Corporate Assets**

The new Cemetery Policy (Rules and regulations) was implemented in April completing KPI BPE1. The updated Policy has been well received by staff, funeral directors and cemetery users and a short form of the document is sent out deed holders each time a new grave is sold. The document is also available on the Council web site.

The redesign of the play area inspection programme (BPE20) is complete. New inspection forms are now in use; the revenue repair budgets have been amalgamated and passed from Grounds Maintenance and Brocks Hill over to a single budget that sits with Corporate Assets. Inspections are still undertaken by Grounds Maintenance staff who repair where they can or report to Corporate Assets who arrange for maintenance work to be undertaken. The new process is being monitored but is working well so far.

Work is on-going with development of a strategy for parks, play area and open spaces (BPE19). The aim is to circulate an initial (first) draft amongst officers by the end of February and a second draft to Members by the end of March 2021.

# 7.2 Environmental Health and Licensing Teams

The Environmental Health and Licensing Teams were perhaps the most severely impacted teams during the pandemic with officers being pulled away from routine work to focus specifically on Covid related issues. Despite that officers were able to increase the number of HMO's registered from 8 in May to 16 in June (GBE6) and although delayed have continued and now accelerated the implementation of the Selective Licensing scheme in South Wigston (GBE7) which means that full implementation remains on target for March 2021. Likewise the Licensing Team met their statutory target of ensuring all licensing applications were dealt with in accordance with statutory time scales (PES20). The team were also able to harness information provided to the council as part of the governments' business support packages to identify 63 premises that fall within the Miscellaneous Licensing definition.

Physical food safety inspections (BPE3) were placed on hold by the Food Standards Agency (FSA) however officers have continued to engage with businesses providing up to date guidance and support. Further lock down has been identified by the FSA and revised guidance provided to undertake remote audits and reduce physical inspections subject to Covid risk assessment and complaint work in none compliant premises (0, 1 &2) ratings the last inspection uploaded was the 3rd November 2020. The Leicestershire Food group agreed to a common approach until Government advise changes to allow physical inspections. At the time of writing, It has been advised by the FSA that they will undertake a revised LEAMS report this year due to the difficulties with undertaking inspections in accordance with the updated FSA guidance.

### 7.3 **Electoral and Democratic Services**

The current regulations permitting Councils to hold Council meetings remotely are due to expire on 6 May 2021. The Association of Democratic Service Officers (ADSO) & Lawyers in Local Government (LLG) have served notice to obtain a declaration from the courts that pre-existing legislation would allow remote meetings to continue to be held. The outcome of this process will have a direct bearing on both the timing and content of the next bi-annual review of the constitution (PES22) and the ability to resume efforts to progress towards paperless migration which is currently static (PES19). In respect of PES22, the Leicestershire Monitoring Officer's Group is also currently reviewing the draft LGA Model Code of Conduct, with a view to adopting a consistent approach across the County, which will be incorporated into the next review.

Governance structure arrangements (PES21) are currently under review, and a draft revised Committee structure is under consideration which provides for a strengthening of the Council's Scrutiny function. The December PFD Committee was cancelled due to the ongoing national lockdown, therefore the Ethical Indicator Standards (PES23) for quarters 1, 2 & 3 will be included with the agenda for the next scheduled meeting on 16 March 2021.

# 7.4 Exception Reporting – Law and Democracy

In order to highlight potential areas for improvement, this section details the targets that have been given a "Red" or "Amber" Status for the rest of the Council.

Reference	Measure/Activity	Target	Target Quarter ▼	Corporate Objective	Sub-Objective	Service	December 2020 Commentary	December Forecast
BPE 2	To enable us to understand our environmental issues, we will ensure installation and activation of Air Quality Monitoring Station in Blaby Road South Wigston		Monitoring to begin Q2	Building, Protecting and Empowering Communities	Delivering High Quality and Healthy Lifestyles in Communities	Law and Democracy	Additional data provided to Western Power and ET	Amber
BPE 3	Undertaking Food safety inspections in accordance with the food safety plan	156	Quarter Four	Building, Protecting and Empowering Communities	Delivering High Quality and Healthy Lifestyles in Communities	Law and Democracy	Revised guidance and liaison with Leicestetrshire Food Group for unified response across Leicestershire. Only 0, 1 and 2 rated premises and complaints to be investigated	Amber
BPE 19	Develop a strategy for refurbishment of parks, play areas and open spaces that can be used to target \$106 money	Approved and in place by 31 March 2021	Quarter Four	Building, Protecting and Empowering Communities	Delivering High Quality and Healthy Lifestyles in Communities	Law and Democracy	Work is in progress but behind schedule due to impæct of covid related work	Amber
PES 19	To continue to facilitate the migration towards 'paperless committees'	100% of members and officers by 31 March 2021		Providing Excellent Services	Improving how we work	Law and Democracy	It is hoped that the successful transition to virtual meetings during lockdown will have the effect of encouraging more Members to embrace the benefits of paperless working and continue progress towards achievement of this target.	Red

# HRA Capital Programme 2020-21 - Financial Summary Quarter Three

Scheme Description	Budget 2020/21	Actual and Committed Expenditure to Third Quarter	Proportion of Budget Spent
Annual Programmes Included Each Year	£2,067,700	£1,526,655.27	74%
One Off Projects for 2020-21	£118,000	£107,000	85%
Total	£2,185,700	£1,633,655.27	75%

# HRA Capital Programme 2020-21 - Scheme by Scheme Financial Summary Quarter Three

Annual Programmes Included Each Year	Budget	Actual and Committed Expenditure to Third Quarter	Total Projected Expenditure Full Year	Status
Central Heating and	£120,000	£81,132.92	£120,000	On Track
Boiler Replacements		nt boiler and central heating replacements as part of the		
Door and Window Replacement	£83,000	£42,979.66	£83,000	On Track
Programme	The door and window 2021	replacement programme having prev	riously been put on hold is due	e to recommence in March

Annual Programmes Included Each Year	Budget	Actual and Committed Expenditure to Third Quarter	Total Projected Expenditure	Status		
Major Voids	£500,000	£494,635.63	£500,000	On Track		
	Works to repair minor voids (revenue) to achieve the lettable standard continued throughout the lockdown peri with works to refurbish major voids re-commencing on Monday 15 June 2020 having been on hold since Friday March 2020. Expenditure to date includes both completed works and identified works for which a finance commitment has been made.					
Major Adaptations	£85,000	£2,257.88	£85,000	On Track		
	Major adaptations have been on hold for a period of 11 months. Requests are now being released with a view undertaking major adaptations to council owned properties					

Annual Programmes Included Each Year	Budget	Actual and Committed Expenditure to Third Quarter	Total Projected Expenditure	Status			
Car Hardstandings	£6,000.00	£0	£6,000.00	On Track			
	There are no applications that currently meet the requirements registered for the installation of a car hardstanding.						
Home Improvement Programme	£1,000,000	£784,985.04	£1,000,000	On Track			
	The Home Improvement Programme re-commenced on Wednesday 5 August 2020 having been on hold since Friday 20 March 2020						
Fire Safety Works	£150,000	£0	£150,000	On Track			
		The 2020-21 programme of fire risk assessments has now been completed. A programme of remedial works will be implemented from March 2021					

Annual Programmes Included Each Year	Budget	Actual and Committed Expenditure to Third Quarter	Total Projected Expenditure	Status		
Housing Block Improvements	£120,500	£0	£120,500	On Track		
	A programme of works to undertake improvements to communal areas and the surrounding environment to blocks of flats across the Borough during 2020-21 has been finalised and is scheduled to start in March 2021					
One Off Projects for 2020-21	Budget	Actual and Committed Expenditure to Third Quarter	Total Projected Expenditure	Project Manager Status		
Asset Management Systems Upgrades	£118,000	£107,961.00	£118,000	On Track		
		the installation of a new asset managimproved service delivery has been 2021.				



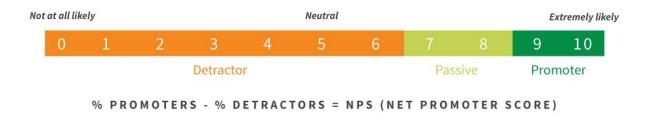
# STAR TRACKER DASHBOARD REPORT FOR WAVE 1 - 2019/20



BOROUGH COUNCIL				Walt being completed
	Wave 1	Wave 2	Overall	Work being completed  10%  10%
Sample bases	50	0	50	
Service Areas				90%
Satisfaction with information received before start of the work	60%		60%	
Satisfaction with the products made available	52%		52%	Wave 1 Wave 2 Overall
Satisfaction with the choice of products given	75%		75%	wave 1 wave 2 Overall  ■ Yes ■ No
Satisfaction with being kept informed well during the works	49%		49%	Being given choice of products
Satisfaction that the contractor kept home clean and tidy during the works	53%		53%	4%
Satisfaction with the time taken to complete the work on the property	47%		47%	51%
Satisfaction with the council dealing with the reported issues	67%		67%	
Satisfaction with the contractor dealing with the reported issues	39%		39%	44%
Ease of contacting the council if work related information was needed	64%		64%	Wave 1 Wave 2 Overall
Satisfaction with quality of the finished work	56%		56%	■ Yes ■ No ■ Don't know
Satisfaction with the overall service provided by the contractor	58%		58%	Reported Home Improvement Issues to
Net Promoter Score	22		22	24% 24%
Areas of Improvement				47%
Dissatisfaction with information received before start of the work	29%		29%	
Dissatisfaction with the products made available	36%		36%	62%
Dissatisfaction with the choice of products given	5%		5%	Wave 1 Wave 2 Overall
Dissatisfaction with being kept informed well during the works	40%		40%	■ Yes to Contractor ■ Yes to Council ■ Did not report any ■ Don't know/not sure
Dissatisfaction that the contractor kept home clean and tidy during the works	33%		33%	Net Promoter Score
Dissatisfaction with the time taken to complete the work on the property	47%		47%	
Dissatisfaction with the council dealing with the reported issues	24%		24%	51%
Dissatisfaction with the contractor dealing with the reported issues	36%		36%	20%
Ease of contacting the council if work related information was needed	24%		24%	22 29%
Dissatisfaction with quality of the finished work	27%		27%	Wave 1 Wave 2 Overall
Dissatisfaction with the overall service provided by the contractor	36%		36%	Promoters Passives Detractors NPS

# What is the Net Promoter Score customer satisfaction measurement?

Net Promoter Score®, or NPS®, measures customer experience. This is a proven metric and now provides a core measurement for customer experience management programs around the world.



# The NPS Calculation

Calculating NPS using the answer to a key question, using a 0-10 scale: How likely is it that you would recommend Oadby and Wigston Borough Council as a service provider?

Respondents are grouped as follows:

- **Promoters** (score 9-10) are loyal to us and will promote how good we are.
- **Passives** (score 7-8) are satisfied but unenthusiastic customers who will not push the status quo.
- **Detractors** (score 0-6) are unhappy customers who can damage us by negative word-of-mouth.

Subtracting the percentage of Detractors from the percentage of Promoters yields the Net Promoter Score, which can range from a low of -100 (if every customer is a Detractor) to a high of 100 (if every customer is a Promoter).



# Lightbulb Management Board Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2021

# Quarter 3 (October - December 2020/21) DFG Performance report

# **Purpose**

This paper provides an overview of the performance dashboard for Quarter 3 2020/21. It provides additional information to the charts and explains variances in data.

#### **Performance Overview**

Attached to this report is:-

- A dashboard showing actual data available from Lightbulb October 20 to the end of December 20
- Comparator data (baselines) where available and appropriate against the financial year

#### Chart 1:

This Chart compares the average time taken, for individual districts, from a complete application for a DFG, to works being completed.

Given all the difficulties with service delivery during the pandemic, all DFG's in quarter 3 are still within the 20 week KPI, which reflects, that mitigations put in place are having a positive impact. The average across all Districts stands at 13 weeks.

Lightbulb operational managers keep a close watch and continue to put in reactive measures to ensure services continue to be delivered throughout restrictions

### Chart 2:

This Chart previously showed the types of DFG's completed in the quarter by category – A,B and C. Following changes in the national DFG return and discussion with District representatives, this Chart now displays completed DFG's by value.

The Categories are:-

- £0 £5,000
- £5,001 £15,000
- £15,001 £30,000
- £30,000+

We have noted that there is increased demand for higher costing DFG's generally, indicating the need for more intervention. It is not clear as to whether this is a direct or indirect effect or both, of COVID19. However comparison to the same quarter last year show completions are down as expected, but the number of completions in the higher costing categories has increased.

The reduced completions are due to a number of reasons including a slow down by construction companies to ensure health and safety on site, residents worried about risk and deferring works as well as a change in the type of DFG required.

### Chart 3 & 4: Customer Outcomes (Not included in dashboard)

There have been few questionnaires returned during this period and therefore unable to provide conclusive charts. However there has been some insightful feedback from customers:-

**Case Study 1 HSC** – The initial referral was for equipment for a couple. The wife has been supporting husband to get up and out of seated positions and also stand in shower. Equipment was ordered and instantly helped with independence and transfers.

Through conversation, it was uncovered that the wife / carer was anxious and depressed, she was struggling with a recent bereavement of her son and due to covid was isolated and couldn't obtain support to grieve. She was also anxious about carers coming in as she felt she would have to be around as husband has sight and hearing impairments adding to stress and anxiety.

The HSC talked through options available and referred the couple to Assistive Tech. They received light and bed sensors to provide her piece of mind. A referral was also made to the local LAC for befriending and sliverline to help her not to feel alone. As a result of interventions she was then able to reengage with hobbies such as gardening to help unwind and help to stop carer's fatigue.

Statement from Service Users wife / carer 'I didn't know that all of this help was available and that everyone had been so nice'.

**Case Study 2 HSG** – A single elderly lady applied for help to replace her front door. Following a telephone assessment, further information was obtained and in fact both the front and back doors were insecure and rotten. The back door was being propped shut with a chair, there had been a problem as they required a specialist glazer.

Within a month of applying for the grant, both doors had been replaced, the team advised and supported the resident with the process of finding a specialist contractor.

We have had some lovely messages in from residents thanking the Technical Officers for their professional conduct.

A service user phoned to say she had received the Approval letter that morning and as she was feeling a bit down we had now made her day so happy!!. [Paul]

"Thank you for your quick response. I have been very impressed with how quick and efficient this process has been." [Simon]

"I'm grateful for your support ..... Appreciate all your help and kindness" [Simon]

#### Charts 5 and 6:

Graphs 5 and 6, show the drop-out rate across Lightbulb DFG's and the reasons for dropout. Graph 5 shows the percentage dropout and Chart 6 the reasons for dropout.

The average dropout rate is 9% across all districts for quarter 3 20/21. The drop-out rate has reduced from last quarter. The drop out reasons have also changed to deceased being the highest reason followed by proceeding without assistance to enquiry withdrawn.

### Chart 7:

This chart shows the overall time take for DFG's and the time taken for key stages in between. The averages for each part of the process are shown below:-

There is a decrease in end to end times apart from initial enquiry to OT assessment and OT to SS127 which has increased. This is reflective of the restrictions imposed due to the pandemic described previously and staffing.

#### Chart 8:

Chart 8 shows current funds spent on DFGs, with committed spend for each district. The estimated value of all 'new' jobs has been included in green and the DFG allocation for 20/21 is shown by the dark purple line.

This year 45K has been agreed to be pooled to fund a Hoarding project for Leicestershire via the Better Care Fund. This has been taken off the total allocation for 20/21.

District reps have been sent out a detailed report on all cases with costs associated to provide the detail requested at last Management Board.

## **Regulatory Reform Order Elements:**

Work is ongoing in developing the performance data for the RRO elements and spend associated.

So far we are able to update that:-

For Home Support Grants across Leicestershire £40,000 was spent in quarter 3, which is considerable as each grant equates to a maximum of £5,000.

Also for children's cases we are able to report that the average DFG application to completion time is 30.64 weeks (excluding Charnwood data).

## Recommendations:-

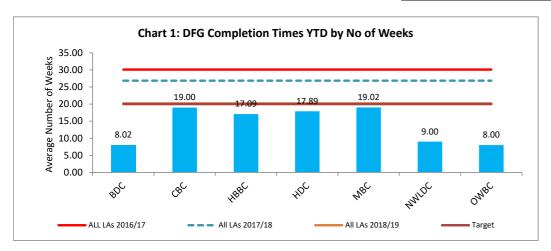
- Note the contents of this report and that mitigations have meant that LB are under KPI's for DFG delivery
- Note that COVID 19 restrictions will have ongoing affects to the data over at least the next 18 months

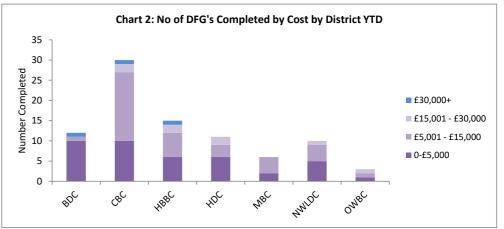
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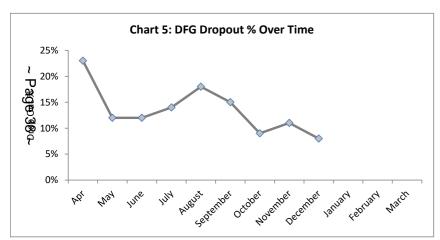
- The attached dashboard has been designed for the Lightbulb Programme and was agreed by the Programme Board of 22nd March, 2017.(With a modification on Chart 2 14th November 2019) It aims to provide Board and Delivery Group members with an overview of key areas of high level performance. The service will use this data to improve service performance, particularly where process changes may deliver more effective service for the customer e.g. response times.
- The target of 20 weeks was agreed as part of the presentation of the mock dashboard to the programme board at their 22<sup>nd</sup> March meeting. This will be across Lightbulb (all localities) and based on equalling the best district performance across Leicestershire.

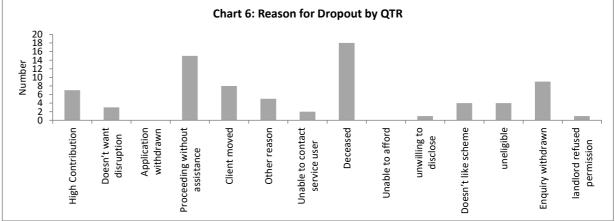
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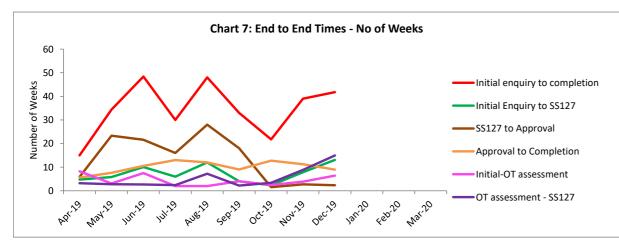
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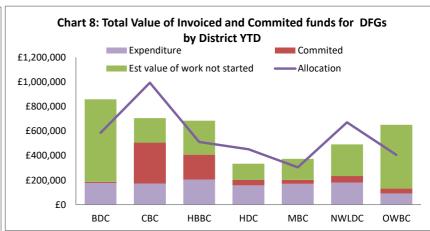














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# **Quarter 3 (October - December 2020/21) HSC Performance Report**

## **Purpose**

This paper provides an overview of the Lightbulb HSC Performance dashboard for Quarter 3 2020/21. It provides additional information to the charts and explains variances in data.

#### **Performance Overview**

Attached to this report is:-

- A dashboard showing actual data from Lightbulb October 2020 to the end of December 2020
- Comparator data (baselines) where available and appropriate against the financial year
- All data in this report, may not reflect the new methods phone assessments, for more info this in available in item 4A

### Chart 1: \*Data taken from LAS system

This Chart shows the total number of cases started by HSC's per month over all districts, per month. An average of 199 cases were started per month, in quarter 3 according to the LAS system. This figure is lower than last quarter however it is reflective of fewer referrals as the trays have no one waiting longer than 3 months (apart from Charnwood).

This is being monitored and regular review with management internally and referral partners

# Chart 2: \*Data taken from LAS

Chart 2 has changed slightly due to the new reporting measures on Tableau. The Chart shows the number of days a case is open for, on average this is 35 days for all cases including major, minor referrals, equipment, signposting and picking up cases that require a full housing MOT. This is well below the CAT contract average.

# Chart 3:

This Chart shows the performance measures for Housing MOT's, specifically:-

- The Referral to MOT time is 5.3 weeks
- The start of an MOT to the when the MOT is complete had an average of 5.5 days

The length of time from referral to MOT has decreased significantly. The average completion time for MOT's has increased by a day, which is less than anticipated as Officers now deliver a mixture of telephone assessment, video assessment and home visit.

#### Chart 4:

This Chart shows the breakdown of Major and Minor referrals by district for quarter 3. The number of major's referrals has reduced for a number of reasons

- COVID 19 and social distancing laws
- Finding new ways to carry out assessments suitable to individual customers
- Alternatives or temporary fixes found to avoid admissions as construction works have not been possible
- Cases being more complex as all the straight forward cases were processed in earlier quarters, during the period when restrictions were greater.

#### Chart 5

This Chart shows the referrals generated by the housing MOT and the number of pieces of equipment ordered. This has decreased in comparison to previous quarters for a number of reasons

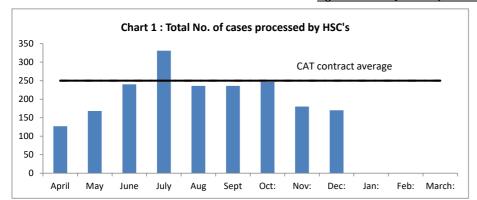
- COVID 19 changes in hospitals meant that distribution of equipment was prioritised to ensure swift discharges
- Lack of access for physical assessments in homes
- Changing to a new method of working i.e video calls / phone assessments which do require more support form family / friends or longer appointments to support customers
- Some customers purchasing alternatives, moving or sadly passing away.

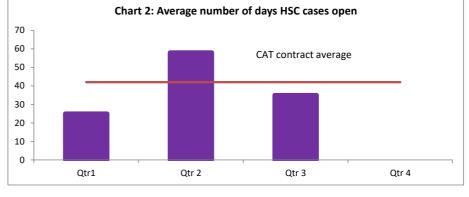
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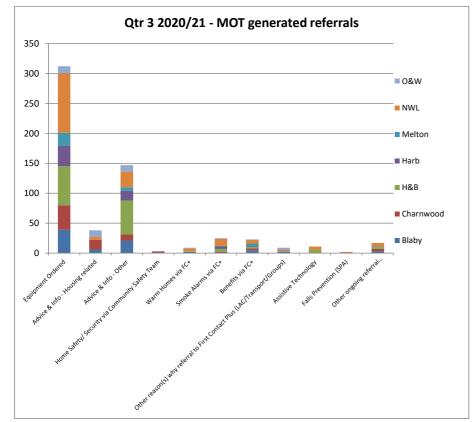
 The attached dashboard has been designed for the Lightbulb Programme and has been presented to Delivery group on the 14<sup>th</sup> November 2019 for sign off

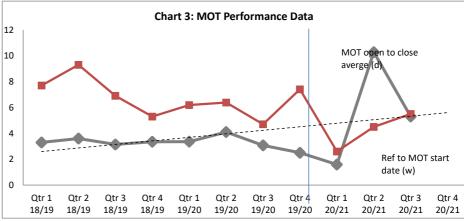
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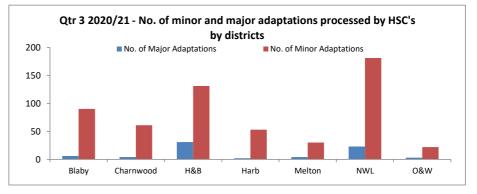
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# Lightbulb Management Board – 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2021 <u>Information Report</u>

#### **OVERVIEW**

This report will provide an update on ongoing activity and future work streams for the Lightbulb Service:

In light of the Covid 19 pandemic, the usual highlight report has been replaced with a briefing and update on changes to business as usual.

# **Lightbulb Status Update**

- Work continues, although notably slower due to all the restrictions
  - o Access visits (external visits) with no customer contact continue
  - Site visits with contractors are conducted by phone, attend anywhere and if necessary on site with PPE and complying with social distancing
  - Assessments carried out by phone, attend anywhere and where necessary a short site visits with full PPE
- There is a vacancy within OT's that will be recruited to shortly
- Staff have all been booked in or have received their first vaccine.
- We are continuing to work with Leicestershire County Council and Charnwood in relation to finalising budget contributions for 2021/22.
- Additional DFG funding allocated to all districts on the 9<sup>th</sup> December 2020.

### **RECOVERY PLANNING UPDATE**

- Attend anywhere up and running staff utilising for elements of assessments to ensure customers are safe, a new protocol is being developed as telephone and video assessments proving more efficient and likely to be rolled forward as BAU
- Lightbulb website soft launch went well, working with google analytics to obtain info on site visitors to enable improvements for customers. We are in Phase 2, which is increase the platform for professional online referrals and development of logo link for partners to put on their websites to direct customers

# PERFORMANCE & PROCESSES

- HSC's referrals are waiting no more than 3 months (apart from Charnwood).
- Residents waiting for DFG's have no more than 3 month on waiting lists in Melton, North West Leicestershire and Hinckley & Bosworth.
- Resource is being aligned with dealing with the increased number of urgent referrals in Harborough, Blaby and Oadby and Wigston which has had a knock on effect on routine cases.

### **HET STATUS UPDATE**

- January is always a busy time for referrals to HET but this year we have since the highest number, 90 referrals in comparison to 70 the same time last year.
- Although demand for the service has been very high since the start of the pandemic, by implementing new risk assessments, new procedures and new remote working technology, we have suffered no loss of service and have been able to meet the additional demand whilst maintaining the good outcomes our service users receive.

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- Five out of the seven staff have received vaccines.
- The team have been supporting the Mental Health Rehab sites in LLR for twelve months now, this funding is currently in place till March but there is a possibility it will be extended.

# **NEXT PERIOD PRIORITES**

# Strategic

- To align recovery work and work plan for 2020/21
- To ensure that the Lightbulb service is responsive to changes with Health and Social care to support residents in conjunction with partners

# Operational

- To look at the future streams of work and expansion of the Hospital Housing Team and Lightbulb
- To continue to trial new ways of working to allow referrals to be processed and customers get their adaptations
- To look to new technology to support frontline staff to be able to carry out assessments