

DEVELOPMENT CONTROL PERFORMANCE MONITORING

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To inform Members of Development Control Performance for the first quarter of 2010/11 (1 April – 30 June) against Best Value Performance Indicators

Recommendation: That the report be noted.

Resource Implications: Nil

1.0 SUPPORTING INFORMATION.

1.1 Speed of Determination of Planning Applications – the following results were achieved:-

1st Quarter (April – June)

PI 157 (a)	100%
Major planning applications dealt with <13 weeks	(7 out of 7)*
Target is 60%	
Top quartile is 81.64%	

PI 157 (b)	97.67%
Minor planning applications dealt with < 8 weeks	(42 out of 43)
Target is 65%	
Top quartile is 84.04%	

PI 157 (c)	97.26%
Other planning applications dealt with <8 weeks	(71 out of 73)
Target is 80%	
Top quartile is 92.12%	

*Comprises 2 "largescale" majors and 5 "smallscale" majors

- 1.1.1 It can be seen that top quartile performance has again been achieved in respect of all three categories of planning applications, maintaining Copeland's standing as one of the best performing authorities in the country.

1.2 Percentage of Planning Appeals Allowed

All three planning appeal decisions received this quarter were dismissed. These related to signage at Pelican Service Station, Loop Road North, Whitehaven; a dwelling at Blyth Place, Seamill Lane, St Bees and two dwellings on the site of the former Miners Welfare Hall, Pica.

- 1.3 In summary, top quartile status for the determination of all three categories of planning applications is in line with Service Plan objectives and has been greatly assisted by the current rate of 88% delegated decisions.

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Background Papers: Supporting documentation is available for inspection in the Development Control office