

WYRE FOREST DISTRICT COUNCIL

PLANNING (DEVELOPMENT CONTROL) COMMITTEE
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Monthly progress report on
performance against BV109 targets for
determining planning applications

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APPENDICES:	None

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To provide Members with a monthly progress report on performance against national best value performance indicators (BV 109).

2. RECOMMENDATION

- 2.1 **That the report be noted**

3. BACKGROUND

- 3.1 At Full Council in May 2006 it was agreed as part of the Recovery Plan that a report on the performance against best value performance indicators (BVPI 109) be reported to the Planning (Development Control) Committee on a monthly basis. The first of the series of monthly reports was reported to the Planning (Development Control) Committee on 13th June 2006.

- 3.2 The national targets for determining planning applications are as follows:

BV109 a (Major applications)	-	60% within 13 weeks.
BV109 b (Minor applications)	-	65% within 8 weeks.
BV109 c (other applications)	-	80% within 8 weeks.

- 3.2 In addition to these national targets there are new Local targets set out within the Business Plan for 2007/08. These are as follows:

Major applications	-	65% within 13 weeks.
Minor applications	-	80% within 8 weeks.
Other applications	-	90% within 8 weeks.

4. **PERFORMANCE**

4.1 At the meeting in April, the monthly progress report included Trajectories to show the annual performance to the period ending 31st March 2007. Performance for the period 1st April to 30 June 2007 was reported to the last meeting but only included figures recorded up to 1st May 2007.

Major applications

4.2 The following table shows the quarterly performance figures for major applications for the period from 1st January 2006 to 31st March 2007. It also shows the performance to date within the 1st Quarter of 2007/08 although the relevant period does not end until 30th June 2007 and as such these figures will be subject to further change. It is clear from the figures that performance on major applications has exceeded the national target of 60% since January 2006. For the current period the figure is below the national target however there is sufficient time length within this Quarter for this figure to improve.

Quarter	No determined	No determined within 13 weeks	% determined Within 13 weeks
1 Jan – 31 Mar 06	8	6	75%
1 Apr - 30 June 06	13	12	92.31%
1 July – 30 Sept 06	8	7	87.5%
1 Oct – 31 Dec	1	1	100%
1 Jan – 31 Mar 07	4	3	75%
1 Apr – 30 June 07 (figures taken 1/6/07)	2	1	50%

Minor applications

4.2 The following table shows the quarterly performance figures for minor applications for the period from 1st January 2006 to 31st March 2007. It also shows the performance to date within the 1st Quarter of 2007/08 although the relevant period does not end until 30th June 2007 and as such these figures will be subject to further change. Although the figures for the last Quarter are lower than the previous periods, the current figures show an improvement in performance within this category.

Quarter	No determined	No determined within 8 weeks	% determined within 8 weeks
1 January – 31 March 06	61	50	81.97%
1 Apr - 30 June 06	54	48	88.89%
1 July – 30 Sept 06	51	45	88.24%
1 st Oct – 31 st Dec	56	48	87.51%
1 Jan – 31 Mar 07	47	37	78.72%
1 Apr – 30 June 07 (figures taken 1/6/07)	42	34	80.95%

Other applications

- 4.2 The following table shows the quarterly performance figures for other applications for the period from 1st January 2006 to 31st March 2007. It also shows the performance to date within the 1st Quarter of 2007/08 although the relevant period does not end until 30th June 2007 and as such these figures will be subject to further change. As with the minor applications, although the figures for the last Quarter are below those in the previous periods. Although the figures for the last Quarter are lower than the previous periods, the current figures show a slight improvement in performance within this category.

Quarter	No determined	No determined within 8 weeks	% determined Within 8 weeks
1 Jan – 31 Mar 06	171	165	96.49%
1 Apr – 30 June 06	234	217	92.74%[
1 July – 30 Sept 06	186	179	96.24%
1 st Oct – 31 st Dec	175	164	93.71%
1 Jan – 31 Mar 07	159	139	87.42% (as corrected)
1 Apr – 30 June 07 (figures taken 1/6/07)	140	124	88.57%

5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

5.1 There are no financial implications.

6. LEGAL AND POLICY IMPLICATIONS

6.1 There are no legal or policy implications.

7. CONCLUSION

7.1 The figures above show that the national and local targets have been met for all three categories of applications.

8. RISK MANAGEMENT

8.1 There are no risk management issues relating to this report.

9. CONSULTEES

9.1 None

10. BACKGROUND PAPERS

Report on Recovery Plan (Full Council) – May 2006
Monthly progress report – Planning (DC) Committee June 2006
Monthly progress report – Planning (DC) Committee July 2006
DCLG – Planning Performance Statistics – Planning (DC) Committee
August 2006
Monthly progress report – Planning (DC) Committee September 2006
Monthly progress report – Planning (DC) Committee October 2006
Monthly progress report – Planning (DC) Committee November 2006
Monthly progress report – Planning (DC) Committee December 2006
Monthly progress report – Planning (DC) Committee January 2007
Monthly progress report – Planning (DC) Committee February 2007
DCLG – Planning Performance Statistics – Planning (DC) Committee
February 2007
Monthly progress report – Planning (DC) Committee March 2007
Monthly progress report – Planning (DC) Committee April 2007
Monthly progress report – Planning (DC) Committee May 2007