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# Introduction

Every year the council publishes its plans identifying activities for the year ahead, and reporting on what was achieved in the previous year and what wasn't. Before this year this was done in the form of an annual Local Performance Plan. From this year we have moved to a 3 year planning approach in our Corporate Plan 2007/8 - 2009/10. This sets out our direction and focus over a 3 year period, but will be updated with plans and achievements on an annual basis.

We also report on our achievement against performance indicators (PIs) for our services in the Corporate Plan. Some of these indicators are nationally set by the Department for Communities and Local Government and apply to all Councils to allow comparisons nationally. They are called Best Value Performance Indicators (BVPIs). Others are set locally to give more detail about the specific services and issues relevant to our council. They are called Local Performance Indicators (LPIs).

This report shows how we have performed against our targets from April 1<sup>st</sup> 2007 – 30<sup>th</sup> September 2007. Performance is summarised by Council Directorate first, and then performance of each indicator is detailed in the information following.

Occasionally information is discovered following the publication of our Plans that affects the performance indicators published. Changes to data following publication of our Corporate Plan are detailed under the 'Data Changes' section below.

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# **Data Changes**

Changes were identified after the Corporate Plan was published that affected the figures for the following BVPIs:

# BV082ai % household waste recycled:

Published figure: 17.32% changed to: 17.62% (target 18%) (final overall recycling rate including composting 18.25%)

In final reconciliation with East Sussex County Council, a small under reporting in our recycling figures was identified. This has also made a small difference to the following indicators due to the change in recycling tonnage:

BV082aii Tonnes Household Waste Recycled:

Published figure: 5,470 changed to: 5,589

BV084a kg Overall Household waste collected / head:

Published figure: 373.4 changed to: 374.9

BV084b Household Waste collection % change: Published figure: -2.84% changed to: -2.45%

#### BV106 % new homes built on Brownfield sites

Published figure: 87% changed to: 86% (target 60%)

The planning application for one area being developed contains a Brownfield site and a Greenfield site, and 3 units completed on the Greenfield site were counted as Brownfield. Applications like this with mixed types of sites are unusual, but our recording system has been changed to accurately record sites like this in future.

#### **L027 Number of customers in Information Centres**

Published figure: 345,819 changed to: 338,942 (target 295,000)

A beam counter was installed at the Old Town Information Centre last year, and there was an error recording the figures around the time it was installed. Figures for this year and last have been checked, and readings will be confirmed throughout this year.

# **Summary of half-year performance**

By 30<sup>th</sup> September 2007 for the council overall:

29 of 41 Best Value Performance Indicators met their targets (71%) 29 of 40 Local Performance Indicators met their targets (73%) Overall 58 of 81 indicators met their targets (72%)

This is broken down by Council Directorate below as follows:

#### A - Environmental Services

3 of 4 Best Value Performance Indicators met their targets (75%) 13 of 16 Local Performance Indicators met their targets (81%)

# **B** - Community Wellbeing

7 of 10 Best Value Performance Indicators met their targets (70%) 6 of 11 Local Performance Indicators met their targets (55%) Overall 13 of 21 met their targets (62%)

# C - Regeneration and Planning

12 of 13 Best Value Performance Indicators met their targets (92%) 7 of 10 Local Performance Indicators met their targets (70%) Overall 19 of 23 met their targets (83%)

#### **D** - Corporate Resources

7 of 13 Best Value Performance Indicators met their targets (54%) 3 of 3 Local Performance Indicators met their targets (100%) Overall 10 of 16 indicators met their targets (63%)

#### Details of all indicators for the council

The information below details the performance of each indicator for each of the directorates in the council against targets for the half-year. The following information is reported:

#### **Status**

This indicates whether or not the indicator met its target for progress at September 30<sup>th</sup> 2007. Information is not available for some indicators until the end of the year. Status for these indicators is identified as 'Yearend'. For some indicators that have been introduced this year targets have not been set where that has not been sufficient information to base targets on. Status is blank for these.

### Improvement Direction

This indicates whether a higher or lower score is better for the indicator. For example for the amount of household waste recycled 'Bigger is Better' and an actual score that is equal or greater than the target would count as meeting it. For the total amount of waste collected though, 'Smaller is Better' and an actual score that is equal to or less than the target would count as meeting it. Some indicators are indicated as 'Target is best', in which case it is better to be close to the target, rather than over or under it.

'Actual' information - "06/07 Yearend Actual" and "2007/08 Half year Actual" refer to the actual score for the indicator at the end of March 2007, and at the end of September 2007.

'Target' information - "07/08 Half year Target" and "07/08 Yearend Target" give the targets for the indicator at the end of September 2007, and for the end of March 2008.

# **B** - Community Wellbeing

BV002a The level of the Equality Standard for Local Government to which the authority conforms

Status Yearend

Improvement direction Bigger is better

06/07 Yearend Actual 2

07/08 Half year Actual 07/08 Half year Target 07/08 Yearend Target 3

BV002b The duty to promote race equality

Status Yearend

Improvement direction Bigger is better

06/07 Yearend Actual 94.7%

07/08 Half year Actual

07/08 Half year Target

07/08 Yearend Target 100%

BV011a The percentage of top 5% of earners that are women

Status Met

Improvement direction Bigger is better

 06/07 Yearend Actual
 25%

 07/08 Half year Actual
 26.92%

 07/08 Half year Target
 21%

 07/08 Yearend Target
 21%

BV011b The percentage of top 5% of earners that are from black & ethnic minority backgrounds

Status Not Met

Improvement direction Bigger is better

06/07 Yearend Actual 6% 07/08 Half year Actual 3.84% 07/08 Half year Target 6% 07/08 Yearend Target 6% BV011c The percentage of the top paid 5% of staff who have a disability

Status Not Met

Improvement direction Bigger is better

06/07 Yearend Actual 4% 07/08 Half year Actual 3.84% 07/08 Half year Target 5% 07/08 Yearend Target 5%

BV012 - The proportion of working days/shifts lost due to sickness absence

Status Met

Improvement direction Smaller is better

06/07 Yearend Actual 11.79 07/08 Half year Actual 4.66 07/08 Half year Target 5 07/08 Yearend Target 10

BV014 - The percentage of employees retiring early (excluding ill-health retirements) as a percentage of the total workforce

Status Met

Improvement direction Smaller is better

 06/07 Yearend Actual
 0.35%

 07/08 Half year Actual
 0%

 07/08 Half year Target
 0.4%

 07/08 Yearend Target
 0.75%

BV015 - The percentage of employees retiring on grounds of ill health as a percentage of the total workforce

Status Met

Improvement direction Smaller is better

 06/07 Yearend Actual
 0.69%

 07/08 Half year Actual
 0%

 07/08 Half year Target
 0.25%

 07/08 Yearend Target
 0.55%

BV016a - The percentage of authority employees declaring that they meet the Disability Discrimination Act 1995 disability definition

Status Met

Improvement direction Bigger is better

 06/07 Yearend Actual
 5.21%

 07/08 Half year Actual
 5.85%

 07/08 Half year Target
 5%

 07/08 Yearend Target
 5%

BV016b % Economically active disabled people in the authority area

Status Yearend

Improvement direction Target is best

06/07 Yearend Actual 17.9%

07/08 Half year Actual

07/08 Half year Target

07/08 Yearend Target 17.9%

BV017a - The percentage of employees from minority ethnic communities within the authority's workforce

Status Not Met

Improvement direction Bigger is better

 06/07 Yearend Actual
 4.34%

 07/08 Half year Actual
 3.78%

 07/08 Half year Target
 4.3%

 07/08 Yearend Target
 4.3%

Other indicators for Community Wellbeing reported to Services Overview and Scrutiny Committee

# **D** - Corporate Resources

BV008 - The percentage of invoices for commercial goods and services which were paid by the authority within 30 days of such invoices being received by the authority

Status Met

Improvement direction Bigger is better

 06/07 Yearend Actual
 90.25%

 07/08 Half year Actual
 94.61%

 07/08 Half year Target
 92%

 07/08 Yearend Target
 92%

BV076b (2003) Housing Benefit Security: The number of fraud investigators employed, per 1,000 caseload

Status Met

Improvement direction Target is best

06/07 Yearend Actual 0.41 07/08 Half year Actual 0.4 07/08 Half year Target 0.4 07/08 Yearend Target 0.4

BV076c (2003) Housing Benefit Security: The number of fraud investigations, per 1,000 caseload

Status Met

Improvement direction Bigger is better

 06/07 Yearend Actual
 38.47

 07/08 Half year Actual
 20.3

 07/08 Half year Target
 20

 07/08 Yearend Target
 40

BV076d (2003) Housing Benefit Security: The number of prosecutions & sanctions, per 1,000 caseload

Status Met

Improvement direction Bigger is better

06/07 Yearend Actual 2.52 07/08 Half year Actual 2.57 07/08 Half year Target 1.5 07/08 Yearend Target 3

# BV156 - The percentage of authority buildings open to the public in which all public areas are suitable for and accessible to disabled people

Status Met

Improvement direction Bigger is better

06/07 Yearend Actual 64.7% 07/08 Half year Actual 64.7% 07/08 Half year Target 64.7% 07/08 Yearend Target 70.6%

#### L106 Unique visits to Borough website

Status Met

Improvement direction Bigger is better 06/07 Yearend Actual 1,117,234 694,166 67/08 Half year Target 575,000 1,150,000

# L107 Total number of pages served

Status Met

Improvement direction Bigger is better 06/07 Yearend Actual 8,821,693 7,511,216 07/08 Half year Target 4,500,000 9,000,000

## BV009 - Percentage of Council Tax collected

Status Met

Improvement direction Bigger is better

06/07 Yearend Actual 95.3% 07/08 Half year Actual 62.96% 07/08 Half year Target 62.3% 07/08 Yearend Target 95.5% BV010 - The percentage of non-domestic rates due for the financial year which were received by the authority

Status Not Met

Improvement direction Bigger is better

 06/07 Yearend Actual
 98.5%

 07/08 Half year Actual
 63.41%

 07/08 Half year Target
 63.5%

 07/08 Yearend Target
 98.6%

BV078a - Speed of processing: Average time for processing new claims

Status Met

Improvement direction Smaller is better

 06/07 Yearend Actual
 30.96

 07/08 Half year Actual
 25.93

 07/08 Half year Target
 29

 07/08 Yearend Target
 29

BV078b - Speed of processing: Average time for processing notifications of changes of circumstances

Status Not Met

Improvement direction Smaller is better

06/07 Yearend Actual 12.34 07/08 Half year Actual 13.09 07/08 Half year Target 12 07/08 Yearend Target 12

BV079a - Accuracy of processing: Percentage of cases for which the calculation of the amount of benefit due was correct on the basis of the information available for the determination for a sample of cases checked

Status Not Met

Improvement direction Bigger is better

 06/07 Yearend Actual
 99.2%

 07/08 Half year Actual
 94.8%

 07/08 Half year Target
 99%

 07/08 Yearend Target
 99%

BV079bi The amount of Housing Benefit overpayments (HB) recovered as a percentage of HB overpayments

Status Not Met

Improvement direction Bigger is better

 06/07 Yearend Actual
 76.07%

 07/08 Half year Actual
 69.73%

 07/08 Half year Target
 77%

 07/08 Yearend Target
 77%

BV079bii Housing Benefit (HB) overpayments recovered as a percentage of the total amount of HB overpayment debt outstanding at the start of the year, plus amount of HB overpayments identified during the year

Status Unavailable Improvement direction Bigger is better

06/07 Yearend Actual 31.54%

07/08 Half year Actual

07/08 Half year Target 35% 07/08 Yearend Target 35%

BV079biii Housing Benefit (HB) overpayments written off as a percentage of the total amount of HB overpayment debt outstanding at the start of the year, plus amount of HB overpayments identified during the year

Status Unavailable Improvement direction Target is best

06/07 Yearend Actual 5.79%

07/08 Half year Actual

07/08 Half year Target 5% 07/08 Yearend Target 5%

L075 % new Housing Benefit claims determined within 14 days of receipt of all information.

Status Met

Improvement direction Bigger is better

 06/07 Yearend Actual
 88.1%

 07/08 Half year Actual
 95.61%

 07/08 Half year Target
 90%

 07/08 Yearend Target
 90%