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Dear Councillor

SOUTH HAMS OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE - THURSDAY, 14TH MARCH, 2024

I refer to the agenda for the above meeting and attach papers in connection with the following item(s).

Agenda No Item

9. Key Performance Indicators April 2023 - January 2024 (Pages 1 - 28)

Yours sincerely

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Agenda Item 9

Report to:		Overview and Scrutiny				
Date:		14 March 2024				
Title:		Key Performance Indicators April 2023 – January 2024				
Portfolio Area:		Councillor Nicky Hopwood Executive Lead for Council Performance				
Wards Affeo	cted:	All				
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Recommendations:

That the Overview and Scrutiny Committee:

1. notes the Key Performance Indicators for April 2023 – January 2024

2. agrees the revised suite of Key Performance Indicators as set out in Appendix A which will be implemented from 1^{st} April 2024.

1. Executive summary

- 1.1 As part of its Performance Management Framework, the Council has committed to providing at least three annual updates on Key Performance Indicators to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee.
- 1.2 The last report on performance was considered by the Committee in December 2023.
- 1.3 This report sets out key service performance up to 31 January 2024 (Appendix A Key Performance Indicators).
- 1.4 It also sets out the revised suite of KPI's for reporting to the committee from 1st April 2024.

2. Proposal and Next Steps

- 2.1 Overview and Scrutiny Committee are asked to consider the key operational performance report at Appendix A to this report.
- 2.2 As set out in the December 2023 report to the Committee, the KPI's have been reviewed with proposals for revised measures set out in Appendix B.

2.3 The proposal would be to implement the new or revised KPI's from 1^{st} April 2024.

3. Implications

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Implications	Relevant to proposals Y/N	Details and proposed measures to address
Legal/Governance	Y	Member Scrutiny of Key Performance Indicators is important to good governance of the Council.
Financial implications to include reference to value for money	Y	Setting our performance against key frontline services provides a demonstration of value for money. The report also sets out progress against Council Tax and NDR collection rates – key income streams for the Council.
Risk	Y	Monitoring key performance indicators (which is undertaken by the officer Performance Board on a monthly basis) enables us to manage the risk profile of the Council, identifying any areas of under performance and taking steps to address.
Supporting Corporate Strategy	Y	All
Consultation & Engagement Strategy	N	NA
Climate Change - Carbon / Biodiversity Impact	Y	The report sets out progress against waste recycling rates.
Comprehensive Im	pact Assess	sment Implications
Equality and Diversity		
Safeguarding		
Community Safety, Crime and Disorder		
Health, Safety and Wellbeing		
Other implications		

Supporting Information

Appendices:

Appendix A – Key Performance Indicators April 2023 – January 2024.

Appendix B - KPI's 2024/25

Background Papers:

Approval and clearance of report

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Key Service Performance

April 2023 – January 2024 Overview & Scrutiny



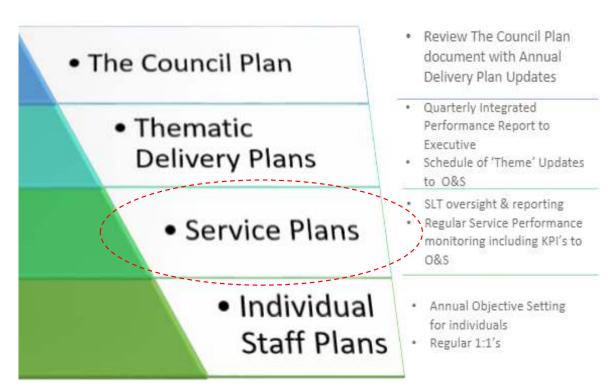


Introduction

The Council reports on performance in a number of ways as set out in our performance management framework. This report updates members on performance at the second tier – Service Level Performance.

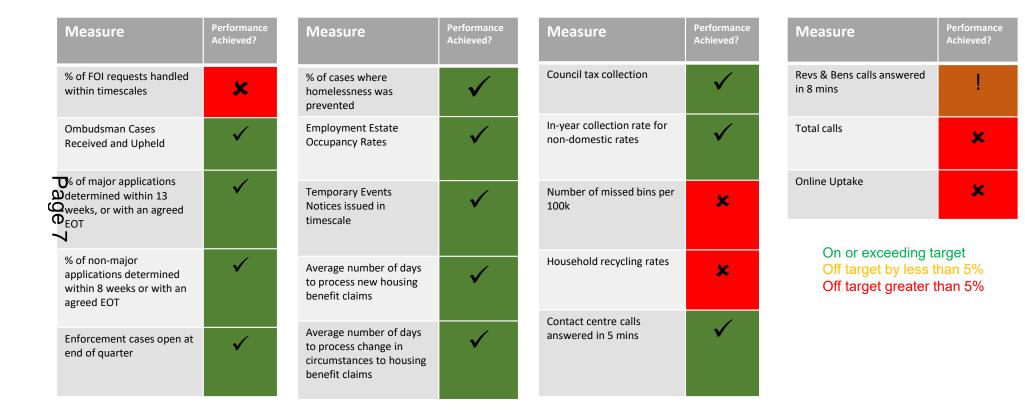
^OThis performance is also considered Oby the Senior Leadership Team on a regular basis as part of ongoing service performance review discussions.

Over the coming pages, we set out an overview of key service performance including performance history.



Monitoring Progress:

Performance on a Page





South Hams % of FOI requests handled within timescales

National Benchmark	ark Looks Like		23 / 2024	How its calculated	Performance History		
(and source)		Target	December 2023				
90% as set by the ICO	Higher than target	90%	81.39%	Number of cases started / number of cases completed within 20 working days	86.00%		
Aplanation of Aperformance this period	Information December 20 the time this	Commission 023 perform report is co	ers Office which n ance – all FOI sub nsidered.	d to an FOI request as set out by the neans that this measure reports on mitted during December being due by rted of which 35 were completed on	82.00% 80.00% 78.00% 76.00% 74.00% 72.00% 70.00% 68.00% April - May July August September October November December - June		



Ombudsman Cases Investigated and Upheld

National Benchmark	Good Looks Like	202	3 / 2024	How its calculated	Performance History (Complaints received vs complaints upheld)
(and source)		Target	January 2024		
<51% is the Ombudsman comparator for similar Councils	Lower than target	<51%	0%	1 received but not investigated	100%
Explanation of performance this period	have been in assessed.	vestigated –	2 were not uphe	to the Ombudsman since April, only 3 eld and the third is currently being held, which is positive.	20% 20% 10% 0%



% of major applications determined within 13 weeks, or with an agreed EOT

National Benchmark (and	Good Looks Like	2023 / 2024		How its calculated	Performance History
source)		Target	January 2024		
This is a National Target (60%) Page 10	Above Target	70%	100%	Divide the number of applications determined in line with agreed extension of time by total number determined. 2 Major applications have been determined. 1 in time and the other with an agreed EoT	
Explanation of performance this period	determinatio timeframe is There was a the adoptior determined	on of Major 60%. dip in perfo n of the plan within the a d that more	Applications within rmance in July that ning charter all maj greed timeframe si	ational Target for the 13 weeks or an agreed was monitored and along with or applications have been nce August. will need an extension of time if	20% 0%



% of non-major applications determined within 8 weeks or with an agreed EOT

National Benchmark (and	Good Looks			How its calculated	Performance History
source)	Like	Target	January 2024		
This is a National Target (70%) Page 11	N/A	80%	96%	Divide the number of applications determined in line with agreed extension of time by total number determined over the measurement period. 74 non major applications were determined during November. 71 of which were determined in time or with an agreed extension of time (29 were determined in time and 42 in accordance with an agreed extension of time).	97% 96% 95% 94% 93% 92% 91% 90% 89% 88%
Explanation of performance this period		performance cal target (80		well above the National Target (70%)	87%



Enforcement cases open at end of month

	National Benchmark (and	Good Looks Like			How its calculated	Performance History
2	source)		Target	January 2024		
	N/A Page 12	Lower than the target	400	369	The total number of enforcement cases open at the end of the month. During January, 33 new enforcement cases were received and 48 were closed	410
	Explanation of performance this period	number of new	cases. a recent im		number of closed cases exceeding the ormance as more cases have been	360 350 July August September October November December January



Average temporary accommodation use per month

National Benchmark	Good Looks Like	2023 / 2024		How its calculated	Performance History
(and source)		Target	January 2024		
^{N/A} Page 13	Reducing trend	For trend purposes only	42.16	Average number of households in temporary accommodation at any one time over the period.	45 40 35 30 25 20
Explanation of performance this period	been an increa move-on optio The additional	ase in care leavers	, people accessing e to cold weather	d to other areas in Devon but there has g severe weather provision and a lack of r may lead to an increase in short stays	15 10 5 0 July August September October November December



National Benchmark	Good Looks Like	2023 / 2024		How its calculated	Performance History
(and source)		Target	January 2024		
2021-22 Average positive outcomes for the South West is CD.5% CD	Higher than target	60%	65%	Of the total number of households assessed as eligible for a prevention or relief of homelessness service from us – the % of these that are made and accepted.	90% 80% 70% 60% 50%
Explanation of performance this period	homeless successfu therefore harder to become h We have	ness but the a lly securing ac working with prevent, resu nomeless to se seen no reduc es remaining l	availability of housing in commodation before people for a longer du liting in us working wit eek to relieve their hon ction in the cost of priv	are approaching as at risk of In the area is resulting in them not they become homeless. We are uration and cases are becoming In many people after they have nelessness. ate rented accommodation with reliance on social housing to meet	40%



Employment Estate Occupancy Rates

National Benchmark	Good Looks Like			How its calculated	Performance History
(and source)		Target	January 2024		
N/A Page 15	Higher than target	90%	93%	Number of Occupied Commercial Assets Against Total Number	120% 100% 80% 60% 40%
Explanation of performance this period	months. There is con	tinued stror	ng demand coupl	above target over the last 12-18 ed with effective Estate taining strong occupancy levels.	20% 0%



Temporary Events Notices issued in timescale

National Benchmark	Good Looks Like	2023 / 2024		How its calculated	Performance History		
(and source)		Target	January 2024				
Statutory requirement Page 10	On target	100%	100%	Percentage of applications issued compared to number received	120% 100% 80% 60% 40%		
Explanation of performance this period	working day fro licence applica	om the receip tions due to t	ot of the application the statutory requ	tory requirement to be issued in one on. These are prioritised against all other irement for TENS and that if the Council I receive tacit consent.	20% 0% 		



Average number of days to process new housing benefit claims

National	Good	2023 / 2024		How its calculated	Performance History	
Benchmark (and source)	Looks Like	Target	January 2024			
National performance figures are published quarterly. Whilst there isn't an equivalent target, during Q3 the agerage national erformance was days.	Below target	17 days	15.39 days	It is the average time taken to process a new housing benefit claim. This is calculated as the average (mean) processing time in calendar days, rounded to the nearest day.		
Explanation of performance this period	There wa	s a slight incre		III. of time taken to process new claims in over claims were processed in January.	2 O April - May July August September October November December January - June	



Average number of days to process change in circumstances to housing benefit claims

National Benchmark (and	Good Looks	2023 / 2024		How its calculated	Performance History	
source) \	Like	Target	January 2024			
National performance figures are published quarterly. The average number of days taken to process a counge in circumstances to existing housing benefit im during Q3 was 8 calendar days.	Below target	6 days	2 days	It is how long it takes to process as change of circumstances to an existing housing benefit claim. It is the average time taken, calculated as the average (mean) processing time in calendar days, rounded to the nearest day.		
Explanation of performance this period	Automated proc	esses have	been established	nan target throughout the year. for pensioner income changes. This ember. 1037 claims were processed	1 O April - May July August September October November December January - June	



Council Tax Collection

National Benchmark	Good Looks	ks 2023 / 2024		How its calculated	Performance History
(and source)	Like	Target	January 2024		
DLUHC require a Quarterly Return of Council Taxes and Non-Domestic Rates (QRC4) to be submitted annually which is published as estatistical Belease. Returns are so submitted in estatistical so submitted in estatistical	On target	75-95%	92.10%	The in-year collection rate is the amount of council tax due for the financial year that is received by 31 March shown as a percentage of the net collectable debit in respect of that year's council tax. i.e it is how much council tax is collected as a percentage of the amount we would have collected if everyone liable had paid what they were supposed to.	100%
Explanation of performance this period	liability. Reduction on 202 accounts due to f	2.10% = £85,379,178.91 collected out of £92,702,145.15 2023/24 net on 2022/23: in September 2022 £208,050 was posted on to Council Tax due to £150 Energy Rebate scheme. This potentially increased the rate from September 2022 onwards by around 0.24%			10%



National Benchmark	Good Looks	2023 / 2024		How its calculated	Performance History
(and source)	Like	Target	January 2024		
DLUHC require a Quarterly Return of Council Taxes and Non-Domestic Rates (QRC4) to be Dimitted annually Which is published as tatistical release. Returns are also Dimitted in Q1-3, but the content is not published.	On target	75-95%	89.28%	The in-year collection rate is the amount of non-domestic rates due for the financial year that is received by 31 March shown as a percentage of the net collectable debit in respect of that year's non-domestic rates.i.e it is how much non-domestic rates is collected as a percentage of the amount we would have collected if everyone liable had paid what they were supposed to.	100% 90% 80% 70% 60% 50% 40% 30% 20% 10% 0%
Explanation of performance this period	liability. Difference on 2 on to accounts	022/23 - in Septe	mber 2022 CARI ncial year, poten	of £26,549,257.89 2023/24 net Frelief of £1,613,239.22 was posted tially increasing the September 2022	hold wat use in August september october hoverhoe becenter innard

In-year collection rate for non-domestic rates



Number of missed bins per 100k

National Benchmark (and source)	Good Looks Like	2023 / 2024		How its calculated	Performance History
sourcey		Target	January 2024		
80 per 100,000 Page 21	Below target	80	191	Number of missed bins per 100,000	400 350 300 250 200
Explanation of performance this period		n increase in missed collections or		wer the festive period but overall ove the target.MonthTotal number of missed collections AprilApril197May169June241July231August235September224October300November259December1162January643	150 100 50 0 0 100 50 0 0 100 50 0 50 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0



Household Recycling rates

National Benchmark (and	Good Looks Like	2023 / 2024		How its calculated	Performance History
source)		Target	December 2023		
Legal requirement for attLocal Authorities O D N N N N N N N N N N N N N N N N N N	Above target	57%	47%	Data supplied by SH to DCC for verification against disposal points.	50% 48% 46% 44% 42% 40% April - May - July August September October November December
Explanation of performance this period			are pending from [ent ahead of the D	DCC. AS rollout and have improved since.	June



Contact centre calls answered in 5 mins

National Benchmark (and	enchmark (and Looks burce) Like		3 / 2024	How its calculated	Performance History
source)			January 2024		
N/A	60-80%	60-80%	82%	Total calls (Non-Revs & Bens) with wait time over 5 mins divided by total calls	120% 100%
Page 23					80% 60% 40%
Explanation of performance this period	The CST Team are no longer taking any benefit calls and supporting Revs with the low wait calls (over 10 mins). Automated switchboard has gone live with over 75% using it. Along with almost 95% being answered in 5 mins (despite increased demand from SH waste), over 55% are answered in less than 1 minute.				20% 0%
	Performanc two month		l slightly due to sta	ff absence due to sickness over the last	



Revs & Bens calls answered in 8 mins

National Benchmark	Good Looks Like	xs 2023 / 2024		How its calculated	Performance History
(and source)		Target	January 2024		
N/A Page 24	Above target	80%	77%	Revenues and Benefits calls answered in less than 8 mins/Total RevBens calls.	90% 80% 70% 60% 50% 40%
Explanation of performance this period	of calls were a	answered w esources an	ithin 60 seconds	cross all calls was below 8 minutes and 25% g of wait times has meant that the Year.	30% 20% 10% 0%



Total Calls

National Benchmark (and	enchmark (and Like		2024	How its calculated	Performance History
source)		Target	January 2024		
^{N/A} Page 25	Decreasing o ver time Less than the same time period last year	Below same quarter in previous year	7,360 calls	Total calls to CST	8,000 7,000 6,000 5,000 4,000 3,000 2,000
Explanation of performance this period	Focus on Right First Time and channel shift continues to reduce demand.				1,000 1,000 - - - - - - - - - - - - -



Online Uptake: processes started online vs through the Contact centre

National Benchmark (and	Good Looks			How its calculated	Performance History
source)	Like T		January 2024		
N/A Page 26	Above target	80%	72%	Percentage of processes started online by customer vs by Contact centre	100%
Explanation of performance this period	arriving in acceptable	reasonably h e. If less than	igh levels. As this	nost half of these processes and are still is by design the temporary drop is inquiries were dealt with at first point of target.	20% 10% 0%



Proposals

- Report monthly updates to each O&S meeting with new suite of KPIs (as below)
- Annual review of performance comparison to Oflog metrics (including consideration of future changes)

2023 – 2024 KPI	Proposal	2024 – 2025 KPI
% of FOI requests handled within timescales	Narrative to include split between businesses and individuals	% of FOI requests handled within timescales
Ombudsman Cases Investigated and Upheld	Report on corporate complaints performance only and link to Oflog metric. Remove Ombudsman from KPI report as update is provided to A&G Committee.	 Number of complaints that received a response within the timeline – Stage 1 and 2 Number of complaints upheld per 10,000 – Stage 1 and 2
% of major applications determined within 13 weeks, or with an agreed EOT	Narrative to include split for those with / without an extension and which side requested extension	% of major applications determined within 13 weeks, or with an agreed EOT
% of non-major applications determined within 8 weeks or with an agreed EOT	Narrative to include split for those with / without an extension and which side requested extension	% of non-major applications determined within 8 weeks or with an agreed EOT
Enforcement cases open at end of month	The new planning software offers additional data and reports.	 Number of Enforcement Cases received and closed Average number of days for closure Reason for closure Number of Notices served (quarterly)
Housing Delivery within the area	No change – annual report	Housing Delivery within the area
Average temporary accommodation use per month	No change	Average temporary accommodation use per month
% of cases where homelessness was prevented	Change of data to offer explanation of prevention and relief of homelessness.	 Successful homeless prevention cases as a % of prevention cases Successful relief cases as a % of relief cases
Employment Estate Occupancy Rates	Narrative to include % of rent collected (total possible income).	Employment Estate Occupancy Rates

Temporary Events Notices issued in timescale Energy Grant Installations Completed	There is a statutory requirement for TENs to be issued in one-working day from the receipt of application. Proposal to remove KPI and replace with Food Safety Inspections as a better reflection of the work of the EH&L Service Area. Measurement of receipt and delivery of National	 % of high-risk inspections completed 1. Installations received 2. Installations completed
	Government Grant schemes.	
Average number of days to process new housing benefit claims	No change	Average number of days to process new housing benefit claims
Average number of days to process change in circumstances to housing benefit claims	No change	Average number of days to process change in circumstances to housing benefit claims
Council Tax Collection	No change	Council Tax Collection
In-year collection rate for non- domestic rates	No change	In-year collection rate for non- domestic rates
Number of missed bins per 100k	No change	Number of missed bins per 100k
Household Recycling rates	No change	Household Recycling rates
Contact centre calls answered in 5 mins	No change – excludes Revs & Bens calls	Contact centre calls answered in 5 mins
Revs & Bens calls answered in 8 mins	Separate KPIs to enable better analysis of calls and performance.	 Revs calls answered in less than 8-minutes Bens calls answered in less than 8-minutes
Total Calls	No change	Total Calls
Online Uptake: processes started online vs through the Contact centre	Clarify the metric to show how many online forms are completed by residents	 Online uptake by residents Satisfaction with online processes