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SCOTTISH BORDERS COUNCIL CORPORATE PRIORITIES QUARTERLY PUBLIC PERFORMANCE REPORT: Q1 2015/16 (April-June) HOW ARE WE DOING?

In 2013, we published our 08 **Corporate Plan, with eight** priorities to work towards over a **ENSURE** five year period. This report gives excellent, adaptable, you an overview of our progress. collaborative and accessible public services For each priority, a selection of performance information has been 07 presented to let you see how we are doing. **DEVELOP OUR ASSETS AND** Where possible, guarterly (Q) data has been used, but this is not possible for RESOURCES every area of our work, for example, educational attainment. Some of the data presented may be 06 subject to minor amendments as end of year figures are compiled for reporting to the Scottish Government. **DEVELOP OUR** 05 WORKFORCE **KEY:** On target Q1 - Apr-Jun Q2 - Jul-Sep Just off target **Q3** - Oct-Dec Off target Q4 - Jan-Mar For information Position in Scotland

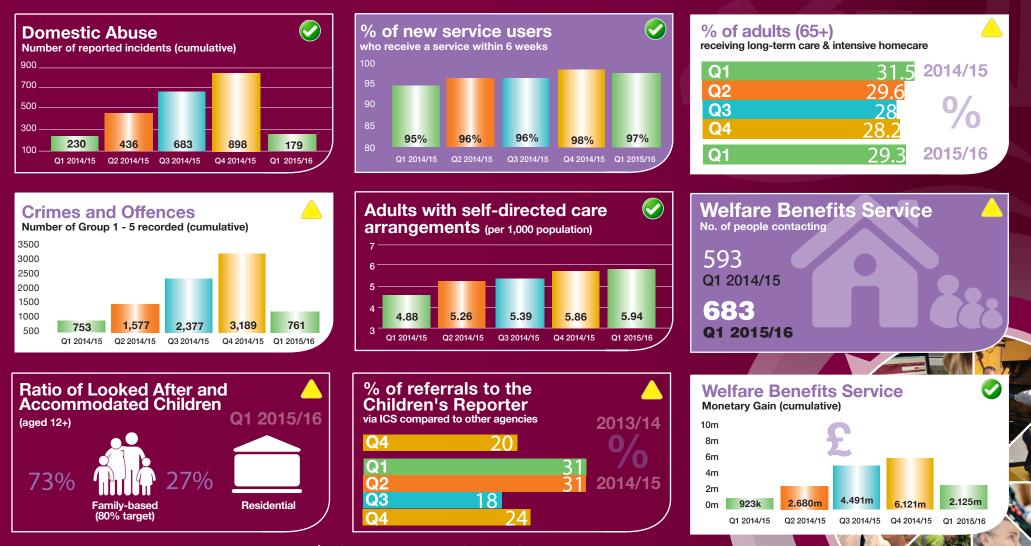


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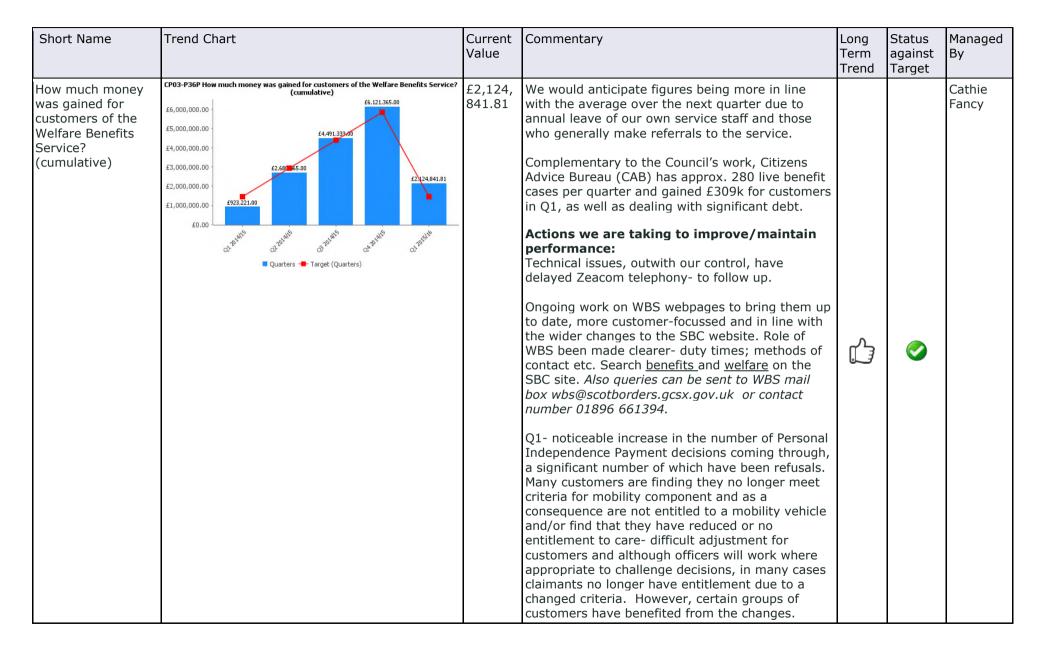
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Corporate Priority 3: Provide high quality support, care and protection to children, young people, adults, fa	amilies
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What % of people aged 65+ receive their care at home?	CP03-P02P What % of people aged 65+ receive their care at home? 40.0% 37.5% 35.0% 32.5% 30.0% 22.5% 22.5% 20.0% Quarters Target (Quarters)	29.3%	 How are we performing: In line with new business plans this indicator will, in the near future, be replaced with new measurements providing a clearer indication of performance within this area. The target has been revised downwards, reflecting the move to Self- Directed Support (SDS) Actions we are taking to improve/maintain performance: Further investigation to identify the best indicators which will focus efforts on how to design and delivery a home care service that can help prevent those most at risk of unplanned hospital admissions will be completed within the next quarter. 			Elaine Torrance
The number of adults with self- directed care (SDS) arrangements per 1,000 population	CP03-P04P The number of adults with self-directed care arrangements per 1,000 population 5.00 4.00 3.00 2.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 0	5.94	 How are we performing: This PI continues to increase with all new individuals being supported using SDS and existing clients are being moved from traditional methods to SDS. April 2015 was the first year anniversary of the introduction of the SDS approach and by 2017 all individuals are expect to be working with SDS. Actions we are taking to improve/maintain performance: Additional reporting of existing clients on traditional methods is being used to assist the movement towards all clients using the SDS approach. Any reassessments are conducted using the SDS approach and the movement of this PI in an upward direction continues to be our focus. 	ŗ_,		Elaine Torrance

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What % of people contacting Social Work receive a service within 6 weeks of their assessment?	CP03-P28P What % of people contacting Social Work receive a service within 6 weeks of their assessment?	97%	 How are we performing: Over 95% of people contacting Social Work receive a service within 6 weeks of assessment. This figure has remained consistently over 95% for the past 2 years. Actions we are taking to improve/maintain performance: Continued maintenance and development of reporting within this PI to further enhance and identify any issues has allowed the PI to remain above target. Early recognition of any drop in service is quickly picked up and resolved 			Elaine Torrance
What % of children (aged 12+) are accommodated with family rather than residential placements?	CP03-P06P What % of children (aged 12+) are accommodated with family rather than residential placements? 90% 90% 87.5% 85% 85% 85% 80% 90% 77.5% 75% 75% 74% 70% 74% 67.5% 72% 60% 20% 00% 0 00% 0 00% 0 72% 74% 73% 73% 75% 73% 60% 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 72.5% 0 60% 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	73%	How are we performing: Small downward fluctuation within this indicator. Actions we are taking to improve/maintain performance: Continued action is underway to increase the number of children in family-based placements in comparison to residential. This includes increasing kinship care (which has increased steadily over the last 4 years) and the ongoing recruitment of foster carers. The target of 80% is ambitious and continues to drive this performance area.			Ann Blackie

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What % of referrals to the Scottish Children's Reporter Administration are made through Integrated Children's Services?	CP03-P30P What % of referrals to the Scottish Children's Reporter Administration are made through Integrated Children's Services?	24%	Observations: We are currently awaiting the Q1 2015/16 Childrens Report which will be available shortly. Over 2014/15 we have maintained and exceeded the 20% target for three of the four quarters.	Ģ		Ann Blackie
How many people have received advice or advocacy through Welfare Benefits Service? (cumulative)	CP03-P35P How many people have received advice or advocacy through Welfare Benefits Service? (cumulative) 3,000 2,750 2,500 2,500 2,500 1,750 1,500 1,500 1,500 1,500 2,000 2,000	683	How are we performing: The Welfare Benefits Service statistics are considerably higher than would have been anticipated for the first quarter. A large settlement for a customer through Industrial Injuries; a member of staff leaving and proactively closing cases prior to departure, attendance by the team at a number of PACE events where they have given benefits and tax credits advice, and generally an increase in the number of people looking for advice and advocacy, are all likely factors in the increase over this period.			Cathie Fancy



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			Work planned with CAB in Q2 to monitor the direct financial impact of welfare reform on customers			
How many incidents of domestic abuse are reported to Police Scotland? (cumulative)	CP03-P37P How many incidents of domestic abuse are reported to Police Scotland? (cumulative)	179	 How are we performing: 51 fewer reported domestic abuse incidents than at the same point in 2014/15, which equates to a 22.2% reduction. The aim is to encourage reporting of domestic abuse therefore ideally we would like to see the number of incidents to be increasing not decreasing. Actions we are taking to improve/maintain performance: The Pathway Project continues to be delivered addressing the needs of high risk victims, in addition to providing longer term community support and a groupwork programme for children and their mothers. Evaluation scheduled for Sep Multi-agency risk assessment (MARAC*) has now been implemented, Coordinator post secured for a further year. Meetings held every 4 weeks, and on average discuss 8 high risk cases. The STEPS project is now fully staffed and receiving referrals weekly. Over 40 referrals have been received for the Safe Housing Options service since April - this has meant victims of domestic abuse having a wider range of housing options, and all have received a home security assessment. Partner agencies are working well with the project to ensure that the response is coordinated and delivering tangible safety and housing outcomes. The Outreach Advocacy service is working with some of the hardest to reach clients, using a 			John Scott;

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			 proactive outreach model, and building relationships with key partner agencies eg pharmacies. This service works to reduce risks associated with rural isolation, language barriers, and other vulnerabilities such as mental health, substance use, offending behaviour, etc. The <u>Pathway project</u> funding has been extended by Big Lottery and Scottish Government to March 2016, this allows continuation of all three services - Domestic Abuse Advocacy Support service, and the CEDAR Groupwork programme. There is currently no information from either funder as to the future availability of funding post 2016. It is expected that announcements will be made in the later autumn. The extension was based on an excellence performance by the Pathway project and across all three services all targets and outcomes being exceeded. An early Stage 1 bid has been made to the Big Lottery for <u>CEDAR</u> as it fits with their 21st Century 			
			Life programme, this fund ended June 2015. An "in principle" commitment to match funding 50% of the CEDAR Groupwork programme has been made within Place dept of SBC			

* The Annual Report for **MARAC** is in its final draft, and the evidence from the first 12 months of operation show significant impact on reducing the risk of further harm to victims of domestic abuse and their children. The overwhelming majority ie 98% of victims are female, with 89 children being identified through the MARAC process. Staff training continues with a further 40 staff being trained to undertake risk assessment for MARAC, and this is returning an increase in the number of partner agencies making referrals. It is expected that the rate of referrals to MARAC will increase over the coming year, to the maximum of 10 per meeting. Data suggests that we should expect approximately 200 high risk cases of domestic abuse per year in the Scottish Borders.

MARAC has also enabled an increase in referrals to the Police Scotland MATAC process - a multi-agency meeting, intelligence led, to address the behaviour of the highest tariff domestic abuse perpetrators in J Division. Scottish Borders makes on average 2 referrals to MATAC each month.

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How many crimes and offences are recorded by Police Scotland? (cumulative)	CP03-P39P How many crimes and offences are recorded by Police Scotland? (cumulative) 1,000 2,000 1,500 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	761	 How are we performing: Quarter 1 saw an increase in crime by 18 offences (2.4%) compared to the same time period last year. However, there has been a month on month reduction in crimes since May 2015 and if this trend continues we should be on course to meet our target for the year. The detection rate for the quarter ending 30/06/2015 was 54.1% compared to 52.4% for the same time period in the previous year, which is positive. Vandalism and malicious mischief continue to have lower detection rates than other crime groups but detections rates for this crime group have improved in this quarter when compared to the same time period last year. Actions we are taking to improve/maintain performance Continued delivery of the Local Policing Plan and a recent refresh of local Multi-Member Ward Plans have identified local issues and concerns in the community that will be tackled in the coming year. This includes all aspects of reported crime. Partnership work continues with a focus on preventing violence against women, reducing Antisocial Behaviour, Injury Prevention and reducing the impact of drugs and alcohol in our communities. 			John Scott

