

# SCOTTISH BORDERS COUNCIL CORPORATE PRIORITIES SUMMARY OF PERFORMANCE 2016/17 HOW ARE WE DOING?

In 2013, we published our Corporate Plan, with eight priorities to work towards over a five year period. This summary provides an overview of performance during 2016/17, under each of the 8 Corporate Priorities. We continue to make significant progress across a number of key areas such as the economy and education, but recognise that there are ongoing challenges to face in the coming years. Reviewing performance information regularly is a vital part of ensuring we stay focused on what is important; **ensuring the best quality of life for everyone in the Scottish Borders, prosperity for our businesses and good health and resilience for all our communities.** 

#### **KEY**

A mixture of performance information is provided under each priority:

The top half of each page contains high level performance indicators that show, for example, the general health of the economy. For comparison we have included last years figure and any Scottish data (where applicable). While the Council may have influence over these indicators, they are largely contextual in nature, and the information is displayed within a grey box.

<b>76.2%</b> of people <b>aged between 16-64</b> are now in employment					
Scotland	73.1%				
SB last year	78.3%				



The bottom half of each page contains performance indicators that we have more influence over, for example, how quickly we process planning applications.

Information for each indicator is displayed within a white box above a coloured section. This coloured section (where applicable) will be either Green, Amber or Red and shows where performance has improved or reduced against the **previous year**.

green - improved performance
amber - a minor change in performance
red - area for improvement

#### **OUR CORPORATE PRIORITIES**



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# **MAINTAIN AND IMPROVE**

# OUR HIGH QUALITY ENVIRONMENT

# **HOW ARE WE DOING?**

#### January 2016 - December 2016:

ROAD SAFETY

12
people were killed on our roads in 2016

SB last year 6

**ROAD SAFETY** 

people were seriously injured on our roads in 2016

SB last year 62

**HOUSEHOLD WASTE** 

**39.03%** of our household waste, on average, was recycled over the last 12 months

SB last year 36.89%

**HOUSEHOLD WASTE** 

**60.71%** of our household waste was sent

of our **household waste** was **sent to landfill,** on average, over the last 12 months

SB last year 62.23%

**HOUSEHOLD WASTE** 

0.26%

of our **household waste** required **'other' treatment**, on average, over the last 12 months

SB last year 0.27%

waste

spend to save

low carbon

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### Our performance during 2016/2017 (



**ROAD CONDITION** 

46.6%

of the **3,000km of roads** in the Scottish Borders should be **considered for maintenance** 

(up from 46.3% in 15/16)

COMMUNITY RECYCLING CENTRES

56,23%

of waste was recycled at SBC Community Recycling Centres, on average, over the last 12 months

(up from 51.06% during 2015/16)

# Case Study

#### Drivewise Borders 'Over 65s'

The Drivewise Borders project concentrates on the 'at risk' groups, according to road traffic accident statistics in the local Borders region.

The over 65s part of the project has seen a welcomed concentration of effort to some of the most vulnerable road users in our communities, updating and cementing their theoretical knowledge. The sheer enthusiasm and the level of engagement shown by attendees, with an uptake rate of Refresher Dives being around 96%, has been very encouraging. Reasons for uptake include widowed women who have lost confidence, and those with health issues returning to driving. Specific issues around day-to-day driving have emerged and topics affecting the older drivers have been freely discussed in a safe and open environment.



The plan to roll out the presentations across the Borders will allow as many members of our rural communities as possible to benefit.

During the sessions, the attendees are encouraged to take part in a 'Fun Theory test' and are given a free 'Highway Code' and local information book, which have been well received.



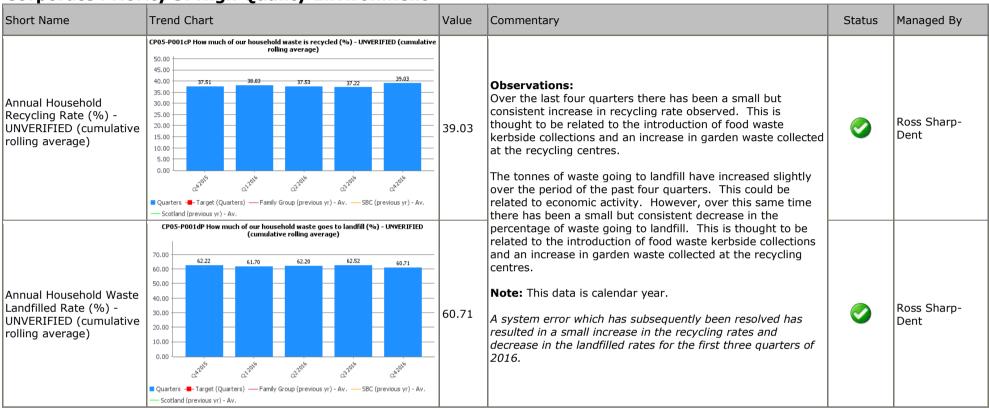
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\*Performance indicators with a quarter lag in data.

#### Appendix 2 Scottish Borders Council Executive Committee – Quarterly Public Performance Report, June 2017 (Q4 2016/17)

**Corporate Priority 5: High Quality Environment** 



## Appendix 2 Scottish Borders Council Executive Committee – Quarterly Public Performance Report, June 2017 (Q4 2016/17)

Short Name	Trend Chart	Value	Commentary	Status	Managed By
Annual Household Waste 'Other Treatment' Rate (%) - UNVERIFIED (cumulative rolling average)	CP05-P001eP How much of our household waste requires other treatment (%) - UNVERIFIED (cumulative rolling average)	0.26%	Observations: The percentage of waste going to 'other treatment' has remained steady over the last four quarters. This is a small percentage and is related to material that was sent off for recycling but which identified as contamination through the sorting process.  Note: This data is calendar year.	<b>⊘</b>	Ross Sharp- Dent
Annual Average Community Recycling Centre (CRC) Recycling Rate (%) (cumulative rolling ave)	CP05-P001fP How much of our waste do we recycle at Community Recycling Centres?  60.00  55.00  51.06  52.41  54.74  56.46  56.23  50.00  45.00  40.00  35.00  25.00  20.00  15.00  10.00  0.00  10.00  0.00  Quarters — Target (Quarters) — Family Group (previous yr) - Av. — SBC (previous yr) - Av.	56.23%	Observations: There has been an increase in the recycling centre recycling rates. This is related to increased garden waste tonnages being brought to the sites to be recycled, and also some improvements in the way that we obtain weights from sites where we cannot separately weigh recycling centre tonnages.  Note: This data is calendar year.	<b>⊘</b>	Ross Sharp- Dent
Number of people killed on Border Roads	CP05-P001aP How many people are killed on our roads?  7  6  5  4  3  2  1  Quarters — Target (Quarters) — Family Group (previous yr) - Av. — SBC (previous yr) - Av. — Scotland (previous yr) - Av.	1	Observations: In relation to roads in the Scottish Borders there was one fatality in the final quarter of 2016.  There were a total of 13 serious casualties as a result of roads accidents in the Scottish Borders in Q4 of 2016. This was down on the previous two quarters. In order to meet national reduction targets, there should be 13 or less serious casualties per quarter.		David Girdler

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Short Name	Trend Chart	Value	Commentary	Status	Managed By
Number of people seriously injured on Border Roads	CP05-P001bP How many people are seriously injured on our roads?  30 27.5 25 22.5 20 17.5 10 12.5 10 7.5 5 2.5 0 Quarters — Target (Quarters) — Family Group (previous yr) - Av. — SBC (previous yr) - Av. — Scotland (previous yr) - Av.	13			David Girdler
What condition are our roads in? (% of roads requiring maintenance)	CP05-P001 gP What condition are our roads in?  60% 55% 50% 45% 41.7% 41.7% 43.5% 46.6%  46.6%  80% 25% 20% 15% Epite Delive Deli	46.6%	How are we performing:  The % of roads now considered as requiring maintenance has only increased by 0.3 percentage points since last year, and is comparable to many other rural local authorities with similar road network challenges.  Actions we are taking to maintain or improve performance:  During the financial year 2016/17, a mid-year review led to an extra £2.4m being committed to roads and infrastructure. When SBC agreed its capital plan in February this year, an extra 32.5% was committed towards roads and infrastructure for the period 2017/18 to 2019/20 (equating to an increase of almost £7m over the 3 years). A mid-year review will be undertaken during 2017/18 and will establish if additional investment is possible.  However, SBC will continue to balance its capital investments priorities across the entire asset base and in future of years will look to shift the balance of investment in roads to planned rather than reactive works. The Roads service will continue to monitor condition and invest where appropriate to avoid further deterioration.		David Girdler