

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.

T6.2% of people aged between 16-64 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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ENCOURAGE SUSTAINABLE ECONOMIC GROWTH

HOW ARE WE DOING?



EMPLOYMENT RATE*

74%

of people aged between 16-64 are now in employment

Scotland 72.9% SB last year 76.2% **CLAIMANT COUNT** (16-64YR OLDS)

1.8%

of working age people are now out of work and claiming benefits

Scotland 2.4% SB last year 1.8% **CLAIMANT COUNT** (18-24YR OLDS)

of young people are now out of work and claiming benefits

Scotland 3.6% SB last year 3.9%



PLANNING APPLICATIONS

1324

received during 2016/17



SB last year 1.286

Business Gateway

After operating successfully out of Ettrick Riverside in Selkirk for 16 years, the Business Gateway team moved to new premises at Tower Mill in Hawick in April. Not only has this enabled a private sector business to expand its office space in Selkirk, it helps support the aspirations of the Hawick Action Plan, developed through a partnership between Scottish Borders Council, Scottish Enterprise, Scottish Government, and the local business community, with Business Gateway now providing its services in a high street setting.

railway

connectivity

investment

skills

housing

railway

connectivity

investment

skills

Our performance during 2016/17



BUSINESS GATEWAY

231

new businesses were created with our help



(down from 247 in 15/16)

1085

businesses were supported in 2016/17



(up from 1042 in 15/16)

BUSINESS LOANS AND GRANTS

£71.2k

was approved in loans over 4 successful application to the **Scottish Borders Business Loan Fund**



(down from 162K in 15/16)

£129.4k

was approved in grants over

39 successful applications to the **Scottish Borders Business Fund**

(up from £108K in 15/16)

AFFORDABLE HOMES

131

affordable homes were delivered

(Over 5 years **598 affordable homes** have been delivered against a target of 500)

(above target of 100)

Invoices paid within 30 days

on average were paid within 30 **days** in 16/17

(down from 92% in 15/16)

AVERAGE TIME TO DETERMINE PLANNING APPLICATIONS*

By end of Q3 2016/17 average times were:

0.0

no major applications received

(SBC average 15/16 = 27.6)

6.9

weeks for non-householders

(SBC last year 17.4)

7.4 weeks for **householders**

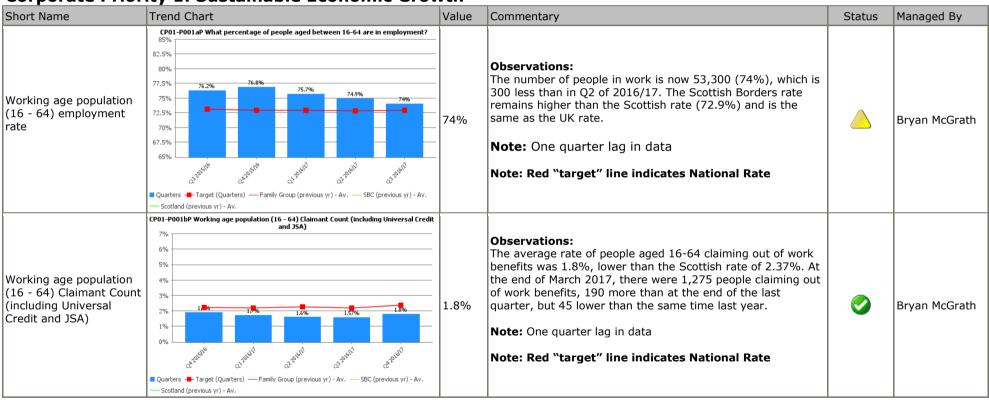
(SBC last year 6.7)



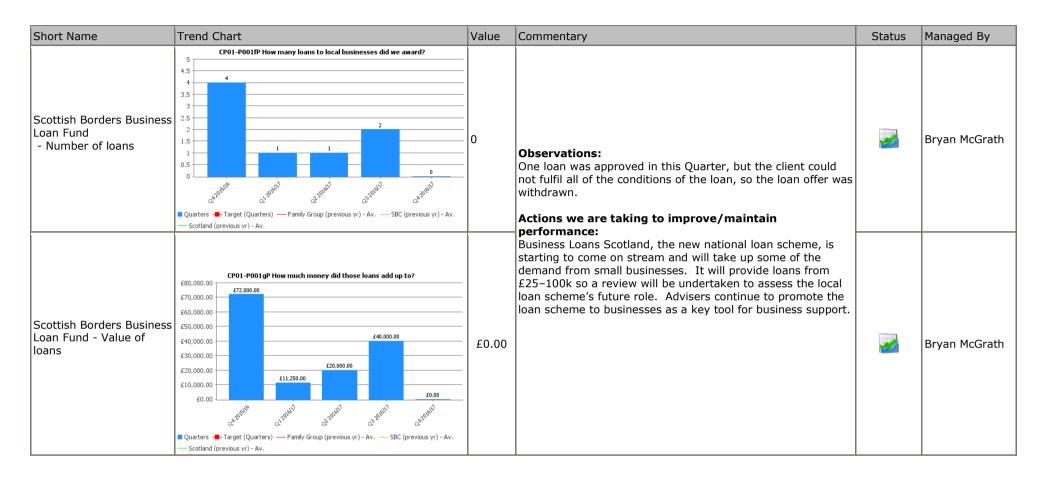
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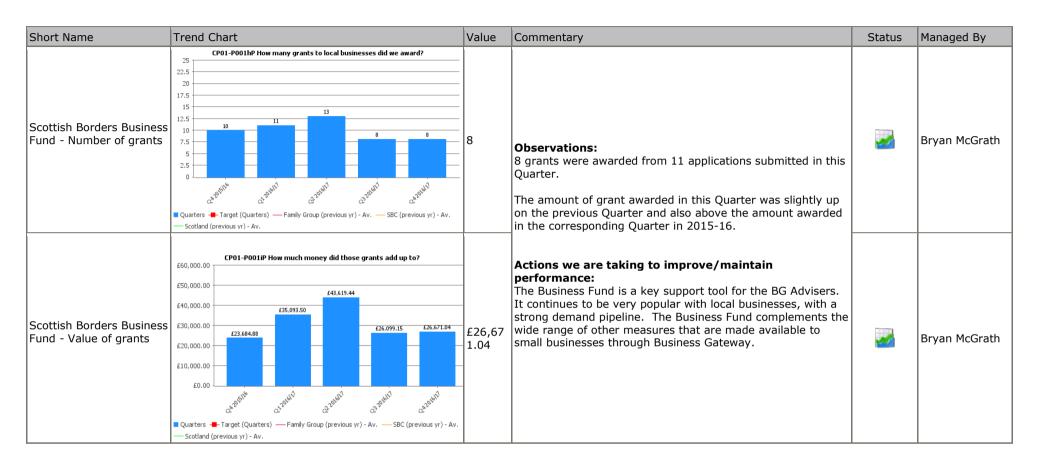
KEY Indicator is: Indicator is: Indicator is Indicator is: Just off target /off forecast, or For information or context On target and as forecast, or Off target & not as forecast, or In line with national trend, or Showing longer term trends that need Out of line with national trends, or only, or Showing a long term positive trend to be watched Showing longer term negative Difficult to set a target, due to trends factors out with our control

Corporate Priority 1: Sustainable Economic Growth



Short Name	Trend Chart	Value	Commentary	Status	Managed By
Working age population (18 - 24) Claimant Count (including Universal Credit and JSA)	CPO1-P001cP Working age population (18 - 24) Claimant Count (including Universal Credit and JSA) S% 4.5% 4.2% 3.73% 3.83% 3.53% 3.53% 3.79% 3.53% 3.53% 3.53% 3.79% 3.53%	3.7%	Observations: The average rate of people aged 18-24 claiming out of work benefits was 3.7% in the last quarter, higher than the Scottish rate of 3.43. At the end of March 2017, there were 295 young people claiming out of work benefits, 25 higher than the end of the last quarter, but 45 lower than the same time last year. Note: Red "target" line indicates National Rate	<u> </u>	Bryan McGrath
Number of new Business Start Ups -Through Business Gateway	CP01-P001dP How many new businesses has Business Gateway help create? 110 110 100 90 85 80 70 60 50 40 30 20 CREATING ARRIVED AND ARRIVED ARRIVED AND	71	How are we performing: This figure is slightly higher than previous quarters but includes the expected peak which comes at the start of each year. This is on forecast, however. Actions we are taking to improve/maintain performance: Start-up advisors continue to work hard to identify any growth potential but this is very dependent on the local economy.	②	Bryan McGrath
Business supported through Business Gateway	CP01-P001eP How many businesses has Business Gateway supported? 500 450 450 450 315 300 269 283 200 173 173 150 100 50 Quarters — Target (Quarters) — Family Group (previous yr) - Av. — SBC (previous yr) - Av. — Scotland (previous yr) - Av.	173	How are we performing: The 173 assists will include some start-up businesses, but the majority will be existing or growth businesses. We are able to provide more time to the businesses at this point due to European Regional Development Funding (ERDF). Actions we are taking to improve/maintain performance: We are still an adviser down so each adviser has less time to spend with individual businesses. This may see a temporary reduction in assists in coming months. The locality focus for advisors continues to have a positive impact in terms of business engagement and provision of support		Bryan McGrath





Short Name	Trend Chart	Value	Commentary	Status	Managed By
Number of Planning Applications Received	CP01-P001 jP How many planning applications do we receive? 400 350 300 321 327 300 250 200 150 100 50 Quarters — Target (Quarters) — Family Group (previous yr) - Av. — SBC (previous yr) - Av. — Scotland (previous yr) - Av.	385	Observations: The number of planning applications received in Q4 is significantly higher than it was both last quarter and at the same time last year which is very positive.		Brian Frater
Av.time (wks) taken to process all planning apps - Maj Dev ADJUSTED (cumulative)	CP01-P001kP How long in weeks does it take on average to process all planning applications for major developments? 175.0	0.0	Observations: There were no major applications determined in the third quarter of 2016/17. Note: One quarter lag in data	<u></u>	Ian Aikman
Av.time (wks) taken to process all planning apps - Local Dev (non- householder) - ADJUSTED (cumulative)	CP01-P001P How long in weeks does it take on average to process all planning applications for non-household developments? 55.0 50.0 45.0 45.0 40.0 35.0 30.0 17.1 14.8 10.0 15.0 0.0 0.0 17.1 14.8 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0	6.9	How are we performing: There has been a further reduction in the time taken to determine this category of application. The Q3 figure of 6.9 weeks relates well to the Scottish national average for that quarter of 11.4 weeks. Actions we are taking to improve/maintain performance: Our performance is influenced heavily by the number of legal agreements required under the developer contributions policy but improvement action to streamline this process is now bringing clear improvements in performance. Note: One quarter lag in data	⊘	Ian Aikman

Short Name	Trend Chart	Value	Commentary	Status	Managed By
Av.time (wks) taken to process all planning apps - Local Dev (householder) - ADJUSTED (cumulative)	CP01-P001mP How long in weeks does it take on average to process all planning applications for household developments? 9.0 8.0 7.0 6.5 5.4 6.5 6.7 6.0 2.0 1.0 0.0 Quarters - Target (Quarters) — Family Group (previous yr) - Av. — SBC (previous yr) - Av. — Scotland (previous yr) - Av.	7.4	How are we performing: There has been an increase in the time taken to determine householder applications this quarter to 7.4 weeks. The performance is still below the Scottish national average for this category of application of 7.5 weeks. Actions we are taking to improve/maintain performance: As above. Note: One quarter lag in data		Ian Aikman
% of Invoices paid within 30 days	CP01-P001rP How many invoices, received by us, were paid within 30 days of receiving the invoice? 100% 98% 95% 93% 90% 90% 88% 88% 85% 85% 85% 85% 85% 85% 85% 85	92%	How are we performing: 91% of invoices were paid within 30 days in 2016/17 consistent with 92% for 2015/16. Actions we are taking to improve/maintain performance: Given the significant impact our performance in this area can have in the local economy, this indicator is continuously monitored. However, with the introduction of new IT systems as part of the CGI contract, the whole invoice payment process is being examined to ensure that it is fit for purpose in the context of reducing resources.		David Robertson

Short Name	Trend Chart	Value	Commentary	Status	Managed By
How many additional homes were provided last year that were affordable to people in the Borders, based on our wages?	CP01-P001tP How many additional homes were provided last year that were affordable to people in the Borders, based on our wages? 250 225 220 175 150 125 113 131 22	131	Observations: During 2016/17, 131 affordable homes were delivered across Scottish Borders, exceeding our annual 100 unit target. • 22 homes for mid-market rent by Bridge Homes at Denholm, Kelso and Innerleithen • 3 homes for particular needs in Innerleithen by Scottish Borders Council • 38 homes for social rent in Denholm, Hawick and Galashiels by Eildon Housing Association • 38 homes for social rent in Hawick and Galashiels by Scottish Borders Housing Association • 4 homes for social rent in Coldstream by Berwickshire Housing Association • 26 individual house purchases assisted by Scottish Government Open Market Shared Ownership Scheme (OMSE)* *In terms of the 26 OMSE figure the final figure may be higher. These have not been released from the Scottish Government as yet.		Cathie Fancy

02



IMPROVE ATTAINMENT AND ACHIEVEMENT LEVELS FOR ALL OUR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE, WITH A FOCUS ON INCLUSION **HOW ARE WE DOING?**

2016 Annual Participation Measure:

SCHOOL LEAVERS POSITIVE DESTINATION 2015/16

94.2%

of the 1166 school leavers went into a **positive** destination

Scotland 93.3% 4.867

voung people age 16-19 year in the Scottish Borders (included in this measure).

New measure this year

91.4%

are participating in Education, Employment or Training

- **74.6%** in Education
- 15.0% in Employment
- 1.8% in Training & Personal Development

achievement

Scotland 90.4% 2.7% not participating in Education,

Employment or Training

- 1.7% Unemployed Seeking
- 1.0% Unemployed Not Seeking

Scotland 4.0%

inclusion

5.9%

Unconfirmed Status

attainment

Scotland 5.6%

Participation Measure

Recently Skills Development Scotland (SDS) has worked with the Scottish Government to develop the Participation Measure. The purpose of the Participation Measure is to identify what young people 16-19 are doing, to inform policy, planning and service delivery and determine the impact of the Scottish Government's Opportunities for All commitment.

The Participation Measure covers all those aged 16 to 19, not just the school leavers.

leadership

achievement

Our performance



attainment

S5 PUPIL ATTAINMENT 2015/16

38.2%

inclusion

achieved 3+ SCQF Level 6 (Higher) or above

S6 PUPIL ATTAINMENT 2015/16

achieved 3+ SCQF Level 6 (Higher) or above

ATTENDANCE (TO DATE, DURING 2016/17 SCHOOL YEAR)

Scottish average for 16/17 = 95.3%

95.3%

leadership

pupils attended their primary school

PRIMARY SCHOOL PUPILS **EXCLUDED**

50% reduction in the number of primary school exclusions

(up from 28.8% in 2010/11)

16.6%

achieved 5+ SCQF Level 6

(Higher) or above

up from 11.7% in 2010/11)

34_3%

achieved 5+ SCQF Level 6 (Higher) or above

(up from 25.5% in 2010/11)

(up from 38.1% in 2010/11)



91.9%

pupils **attended** their secondary school



SECONDARY SCHOOL PUPILS **EXCLUDED**

39.8% reduction in the number of **secondary school** exclusions

(Since 2013/14)

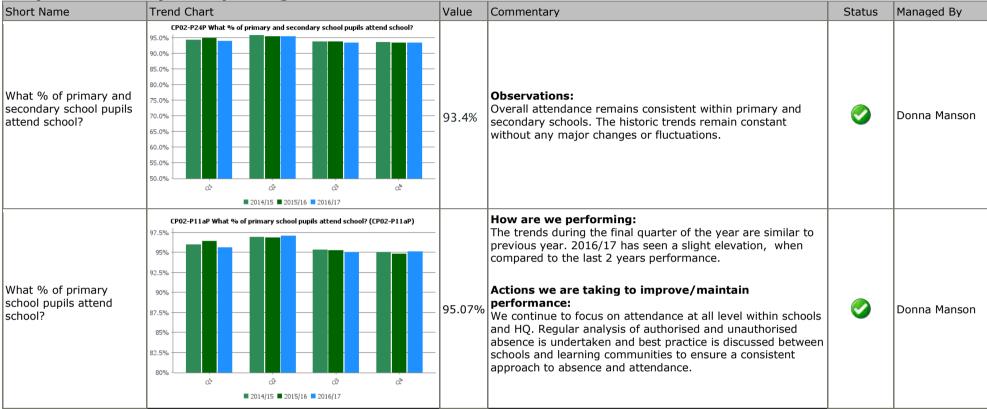
Scottish average for 16/17 = 91.9%

(Since 2013/14)

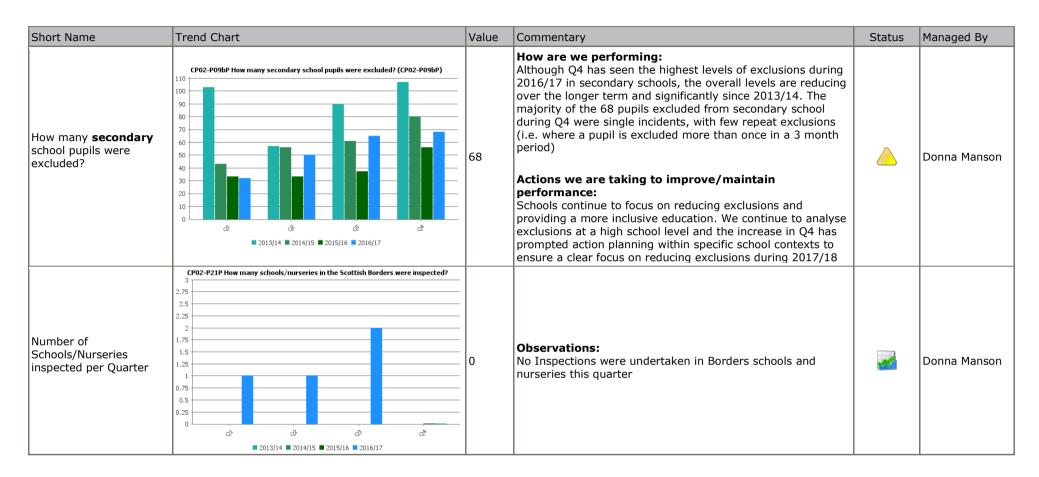
ECONOMY SERVICE EXCELLENCE **ATTAINMENT** ASSETS AND RESOURCES AND ACHIEVEMENT CARE, SUPPORT AND PROTECTION WORKFORCE ENVIRONMENT AND VOLUNTARY

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Corporate Priority 2: Improving attainment & achievement



Short Name	Trend Chart	Value	Commentary	Status	Managed By
What % of secondary school pupils attend school?	CP02-P11bP What % of secondary school pupils attend school? (CP02-P11bP) 95% 92.5% 90% 87.5% 85% 82.5% 82.5% 2014/15 2015/16 2016/17	91.73%	How are we performing: The trends during the final quarter of the year remain consistent. Quarter 4 2016/17 remains the same as quarter 4 for the past 3 years. Actions we are taking to improve/maintain performance: As above	⊘	Donna Manson
How many primary and secondary school pupils were excluded?	CPO2-P25P How many primary and secondary school pupils were excluded? 130 120 110 100 90 80 70 60 50 10 0 20 110 0 20 20 110 0 20 20 120 1314 ■ 2013/14 ■ 2015/16 ■ 2015/17	80	Observations: Similar to previous years, there has been slight increase in the number of pupils excluded between January and March this year. However, the numbers remain well below the levels experienced in 2013/14. 2015/16 showed the lowest levels in 3 years, so the increase this year has already prompted action planning with schools to ensure a return to a decreasing trend and a focus on inclusion.		Donna Manson
How many primary school pupils were excluded?	CP02-P09aP How many primary school pupils were excluded? (CP02-P09aP) 70 60 50 40 30 20 20 2013/14 2014/15 2015/16 2016/17	12	How are we performing: The number of pupils excluded from primary schools remains low and is now significantly lower than it was in 2013/14, despite the increase since last quarter and when compared to the same time last year. However, detailed analysis at school level has shown that the majority of the 12 exclusions were single incidents, demonstrating that restorative work is having an impact. Actions we are taking to improve/maintain performance: Detailed analysis has already prompted action planning within specific school contexts, with a clear focus on inclusion and on reducing exclusions during 2017/18		Donna Manson



Short Name	Trend Chart	Value	Commentary	Status	Managed By
School leavers in an Initial Positive Destination	### CP02-P01a School leavers in an Initial Positive Destination 97.5%	94.2%	This figure is as reported by Scottish Government in March 2017, for the academic year 2015/16 Nationally 93.3% of 2015/16 senior phase school leavers were in a positive destination approximately 3 months after leaving school (compared to 93% in 2014/15). The Scottish Borders has again exceeded the nation figure with 94.2% of leavers in a positive destination. A new measurement is under development which shows the level of participation of 16 to 19 years old in education, training or employment. This measurement will, in time, become more relevant than the Initial Positive Destinations information. Nationally in 2016, 90.4% of 16-19 years old were participating in education, training or employment. The Scottish Borders exceeded the national trend with 91.3% of its 16 to 19 years old in education, training or employment.		Donna Manson

03



PROVIDE HIGH QUALITY SUPPORT, CARE AND PROTECTION

TO CHILDREN, YOUNG PEOPLE, ADULTS, FAMILIES, AND OLDER PEOPLE **HOW ARE WE DOING?**

April 2016 - March 2017:

SELF-DIRECTED SUPPORT **APPROACH**

59%

of adults are using the **Self-Directed** Support approach (2016/17)

SB last year 20.6% **DOMESTIC ABUSE**

871

reported incidents of domestic abuse

SB 15/16

CRIMES AND OFFENCES

3,053

group 1-5 crimes and offences were recorded

health

SB last year 2,916 WELFARE BENEFITS SERVICE

2,949

people contacted our Welfare Benefits Service receiving over £8.4m in additional benefits

SB last year 2.754

Supporting Victims of Domestic Abuse

The Pathway 2 Project (2017-20) continues to provide specialist domestic abuse support to victims and their families. Funding has been secured from the Big Lottery, Scottish Government (pending) and partner agencies such as SBC. Police Scotland. NHS Borders. Borders Housing Alliance and Children1st. The funding has enabled the development of two new resources - a "Court Advocate" and "Community Engagement Officer", identified as gaps in the current response and will provide vital support for both victims and communities.

support

independence

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support

independence

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health

Our performance during Q3 2016/17



CARE AT HOME

76%

of adults (aged 65vrs+) received care at home compared to a care home /residential setting (2016/17)

(above our target of 70%)

NEW SERVICE USERS

100%

of **new service users** received a service within 6 weeks of **assessment** [2016/17]

(up from 95% in 2015/16)

LOOKED AFTER CHILDREN

251

looked after and accommodated children

(at end 2016/17)

(up from 215 at end 2015/16)

children looked after on 31 July 2016 as a percentage of the 0-17vr old population

1.0% Scottish Borders

Scotland

1.1% Family Group*

(up from 0.9% at end of July 2015)

87%

of looked after children facross all ages) were living within a community family-based placement (at end 2016/17)

(up from 85% at end 2015/16)

76%

of looked after children aged 12yrs+ were living within a community family-based **placement** (at end 2016/17)

(up from 72% at end 2015/16)

CHILD PROTECTION

53

inter-agency discussions (Initial Referrals Discussions) concerning the safety of a child held, on average, a month (Apr'16-Mar'17)

(up from 40 from Apr' 15 - Mar' 16)

54

children on the Child **Protection Register** (2016/17)

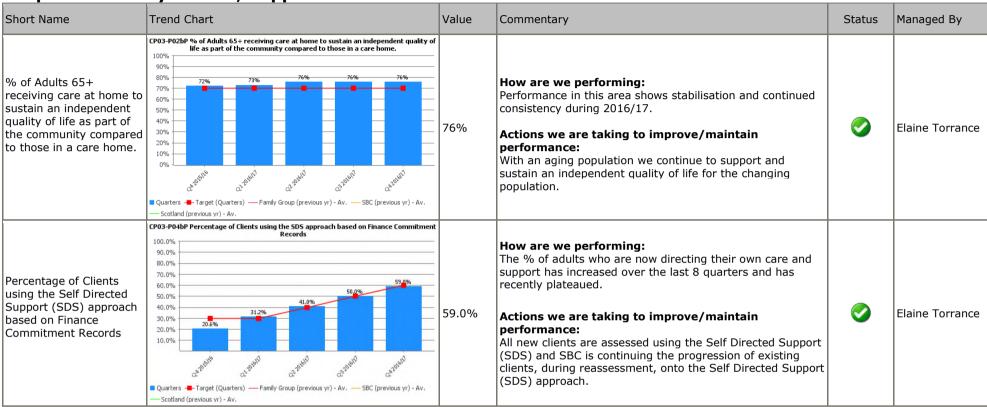


(up from 28 in 2015/16)



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Corporate Priority 3: Care, Support and Protection

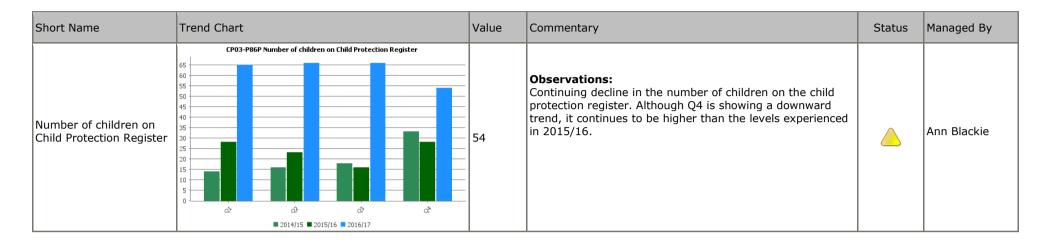


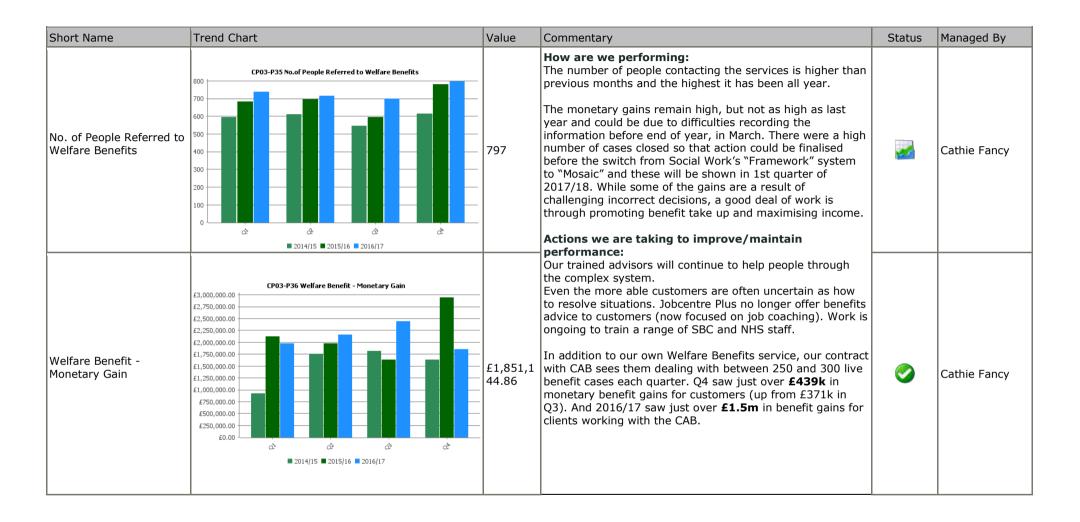
Short Name	Trend Chart	Value	Commentary	Status	Managed By
Adults with self-directed care arrangements per 1,000 population	25.00 20.00 15.00 10.10	15.58	Observations: Continuing increase in existing and new clients being assessed using the SDS approach. This is shown as the rate of individuals using SDS arrangements per 1,000 population increases. Expectation is that all clients will be assessed using the SDS approach by the end of 2018	⊘	Elaine Torrance
Proportion of new service users who receive a service within 6 weeks of assessment (year to date)	CP03-P28P What % of people contacting Social Work receive a service within 6 weeks of their assessment? 100% 97.5% 95% 95% 95% 96% 92.5% 80% 82.5% 80% Quarters — Target (Quarters) — Family Group (previous yr) - Av. — SBC (previous yr) - Av.	100%	How are we performing: The % of new service users receiving a service within 6 weeks of assessment continues to meet and exceed target. Actions we are taking to improve/maintain performance: With new process embedded and methods of recording assessments understood this indicator has shown a steady recovery and is now maintained above the target of 95%.	②	Elaine Torrance
Adult protection - Number of Concerns	CP03-P149 Adult protection - Number of Concerns 60 40 30 20 10 Quarters — Family Group (previous yr) - Av. — SBC (previous yr) - Av. — Scotland (previous yr) - Av.	41	Observations: Small reduction in the number of concerns raised during Q4. This trend matches last year.		Elaine Torrance

Short Name	Trend Chart	Value	Commentary	Status	Managed By
Adult protection - Number of Investigations	CP03-P150 Adult protection - Number of Investigations 40 35 30 25 20 15 10 Quarters — Family Group (previous yr) - Av. — SBC (previous yr) - Av. — Scotland (previous yr) - Av.	26	Observations: Increasing number of investigations during the final quarter of the year. In the previously year we have seen a reduction during the last quarter. However this year's trend matched 2 years prior, with an increase within the final quarter.		Elaine Torrance
Adult protection - Number of Case Conferences	CP03-P151 Adult protection - Number of Case Conferences 11 10 9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 1 Quarters — Family Group (previous yr) - Av. — SBC (previous yr) - Av. — Scotland (previous yr) - Av.	10	Observations: Increase in the number of cases which progressed to conference in the final quarter of the month. This is a similar trend to previous years. However the total number is the highest experienced over the past 3 years.		Elaine Torrance

Short Name	Trend Chart	Value	Commentary	Status	Managed By
Looked After Children (aged 12+) in family- based placements compared to those in residential placements	CP03-P06P What % of children (aged 12+) are accommodated with family rather than residential placements? 90% 85% 80% 75% 76% 76% 76% 76% 76% 60% Quarters — Target (Quarters) — Family Group (previous yr) - Av. — SBC (previous yr) - Av. — Scotland (previous yr) - Av.	76%	How are we performing: This indicator has now reached the point where it been 76% for the last 3 quarters. Continued action is underway to increase the number of children in family-based placements in comparison to residential. Actions we are taking to improve/maintain performance: The target of 80% is ambition and continues to drive this performance area. We have seen a continued increase in the number of foster carers within the Scottish Borders. In the past year we have increased and maintained the number of foster carer and with continued support and recruitment the ambitious target of 80% will be achievable.		Ann Blackie
Looked After Children (All ages) in family-based placements compared to those in residential placements	CP03-P06bP Looked After Children in family-based placements compared to those in residential placements 90% 87% 86% 86% 86% 86% 87% 86% 87% 86% 87% 86% 87% 86% 87% 86% 87% 86% 87% 86% 87% 86% 87% 86% 87% 80% 70% 65% 70% 65% 60% Target (Quarters) — Family Group (previous yr) - Av. — SBC (previous yr) - Av. — Scotland (previous yr) - Av.	87%	Observations: Continued stabilisation in this indicator, above target.		Ann Blackie

Short Name	Trend Chart	Value	Commentary	Status	Managed By
Number of Looked After Children (LAC)	CP03-P83P Number of Looked After Children (LAC) 250 225 200 175 150 25 25 200 25 25 200 25 200 25 200 25 200 25 200 25 200 2016/17	251	Observations: Q4 has seen a further increase in the number of looked after children. This figure is a "snap shot" from the last month of the quarter and fluctuates thought out the time period.		Ann Blackie
% of children looked after as a % of 0-17 year old population (with national comparators)	1.5% 1.25% 1.25% 0.8% 0.8% 0.8% 0.8% 0.9% 0.5% 0.25% 0.5% 0.5% 0.5% 0.5% 0.5% 0.5% 0.5% 0.	1%	Observations: While there is a slight increase in the %, our Looked After Children rate continues to be significantly less than the National % and the "Family Group" average (other local authorities similar to us)	<u></u>	Ann Blackie
Number of Inter-agency Referral Discussions (IRDs) held about a child	CP03-P85P Number of Inter-agency Discussions (IRDs) held 175 125 100 75 50 25 100 2014/15 ■ 2015/16 ■ 2016/17	161	Observations: The number of Interagency Referral Discussions (IRD) continues to fluctuate over the quarters. Q4 2016/17 (161) is less than the previous years Q4 2015/16 (180). As IRDs are established they continue to be ratified as being appropriate via the scrutiny of Child Protection Reviewing Officers (CPROs) as well as being audited at the IRD review group.		Ann Blackie





Short Name	Trend Chart	Value	Commentary	Status	Managed By
Number of reported incidents of domestic abuse (cumulative)	CP03-P37P How many incidents of domestic abuse are reported to Police Scotland? (cumulative) 900 400 300 200 2014/15 ■ 2015/16 ■ 2016/17	871	How are we performing: There has been a 33 incident decrease when compared to the same time period in 2015/16. Actions we are taking to improve/maintain performance: The Pathway 2 project (2017-20) is a continuation of Pathway (2012-17), maintaining the advocacy service (DAAS) and the community project (DACS) for victims of domestic abuse and their families. The funding secured from Big Lottery, Scottish Government (pending) and partner agencies such as Scottish Borders Council, Police Scotland, NHS Borders, Borders Housing Alliance and Children1st also enables the development of two new resources – a Court Advocate and Community Engagement Officer. These new resources have been identified as gaps in the current response and will provide vital support for both victims and communities.		Elaine Torrance
Number of Group 1-5 recorded crimes and offences (cumulative)	CP03-P39P How many crimes and offences are recorded by Police Scotland? (cumulative) 3,250 3,000 2,750 2,500 2,250 1,750 1,500 1,250 1,000 1,250 1,000 250 0 ■ 2014/15 ■ 2015/16 ■ 2016/17	3053	Observations: A 4.4% increase in crimes in 2016/17 when compared to 2015/16. This equates to 130 additional victims. There has been an increase in sexual crimes and crimes of dishonesty in 2016/17 that has resulted in the overall increase in crime rates. Within the crimes of dishonesty category shoplifting, motor vehicle crime and fraud have shown the largest increases in 2016/17. A high profile and nationally recognised rural crime initiative has seen a 62% reduction in the value of property stolen. It is planned to repeat this initiative in 2017/18. Actions we are taking to improve/maintain performance: Police Scotland have introduced a model that is focused on crime prevention and tackling inequalities. The model takes best practice examples from throughout Scotland and applies these consistently within local areas with the aim of preventing crime and reducing offending. The rural crime initiative in Scottish Borders is one such example of best practice.		Elaine Torrance

04

BUILD THE CAPACITY AND RESILIENCE

OF OUR COMMUNITIES AND VOLUNTARY SECTOR

HOW ARE WE DOING?

April 2016 - March 2017:

The following funding has been awarded in 16/17

£33.6k

£67.2k

Schemes Fund

Total Funding

Quality of Life Fund

Neighbourhood Small

£304.6k

£141.5k

National Lottery

£37.4 k

Community Grants Scheme

£25.0k

Scottish Landfill

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The following funding has been awarded in 16/17

£142.5k

National Lottery

£40.9k

Community Grants Scheme

£33_2k

Scottish Landfill

£72.0k

Schemes Fund

Total Funding

Neighbourhood Small

£307.6k

£19.1k Quality of Life Fund

£20.9k

Community Grants Scheme

£30_0k Scottish Landfill

CHEVIOT

The following funding has been awarded in 16/17

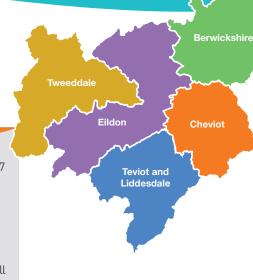
£21.4k £538.3k

Quality of Life Fund National Lottery

£51.2k

Neighbourhood Small Schemes Fund

> £661.7k Total Funding



Participatory Budgeting - Burnfoot Bids Together

Burnfoot Community Futures (BCF) received £39k from the Scottish Government's Community Choices Fund last year to undertake a Participatory Budget project. The BCF Board worked with SBC, NHS Healthy Living Network, Burnfoot School and the local Early Years Centre.

To deliver the project, a volunteer-led Community Steering Group was formed, aiming to have funds dispersed to the community by April 2017. An overwhelming response was received with over 40 applications. A vetting process was carried out by the group, resulting in 26 applications being shortlisted and considered by the community at a voting event held on Sunday, 16 March 2017.

The Steering Group organised the voting event, which included a live music band, children's activities, and free refreshments.

At the event 307 votes were received and 13 projects were successful.

These included:

- Burnfoot Rugby Team
- Equipment & uniforms for Boys Brigade, Girls Brigade and Brownies
- Cinema for all
- Funky Monkeys Hub Adventure
- Burnfoot Community School Playground Proiect

- Fit for all
- Bikeability
- Boxing Breakfast
- **Driving Theory Tuition**
- Senior Activity Club
- Firework display
- Special Fun Together
- Police Scotland Friday evening activities

This is great example of community led capacity building, engagement and development within Scottish Borders.



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04

BUILD THE CAPACITY AND RESILIENCE

OF OUR COMMUNITIES AND VOLUNTARY SECTOR

HOW ARE WE DOING?

April 2016 - March 2017:

BERWICKSHIRE

The following funding has been awarded in 16/17

£543.5k

National Lottery

£22.1k

Community Grants Scheme

£53.4k

Scottish Landfill

£11.2k

Quality of Life Fund

£48.2k

Neighbourhood Small Schemes Fund

£678.3k

Total Funding

TEVIOT & LIDDESDALE

The following funding has been awarded in 16/17

£19.6k

£45.1k

Schemes Fund

Total Funding

Neighbourhood Small

£503.3k

Quality of Life Fund

£361.4k

National Lottery

£23.2k

Community Grants Scheme

£54.0k

Scottish Landfill

BORDERS WIDE PROJECTS

The following funding has been awarded in 16/17

£1,067.6k £0.0k

National Lottery

Quality of Life Fund

£11.8k

Community Grants Scheme

£0.0k

Scottish Landfill

£0.0k

Total Funding

Neighbourhood Small Schemes Fund



Building community capacity and resilience: Town Centres

Town centres are at the heart of our communities and help make the Scottish Borders, and our towns, distinctive and special. They are a central component of a successful local economy, offering a base for small business and jobs, and community life.

A rolling three-year Town Centre Regeneration Action Plan has been developed, which targets resources, actions and key projects in a selection of priority towns. These include:

Jedburgh

- £1.3m Conservation Area Regeneration Scheme (CARS) programme
- Town centre marketing support

• Development of modern business space in the town centre

Inward investment marketing pilot

Development of a Townscape Heritage bid and Conservation Area Regeneration Scheme (CARS) bid

Eyemouth

Hawick

- Town centre regeneration programme, including progress and implement Eyemouth Harbour Road Masterplan
- Town centre review with local community and partners

Galashiels

- Inward investment marketing pilot
- Burgh Yard development
- Borders Railway Ambassadors project
- Support Galashiels Business Improvement District Scotland (BIDS) proposal
- Masterplanning for town centre

Selkirk

- Deliver streetscape works
- Progress Sir Walter Scott Courthouse project
- Support Selkirk BIDS proposals



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Short Name	Trend Chart	Value	Commentary	Status	Managed By
SB Alert - No. of people registered	CP04-P001n SB Alert - No. of people registered 4,500 4,000 3,500 3,000 2,500 2,000 1,500 1,000 500 0 Quarters — Family Group (previous yr) - Av. — SBC (previous yr) - Av. — Scotland (previous yr) - Av.	4,502	How are we performing: There are now 4502 people signed up to SBC's messaging service, During a recent Resilient Communities evening held by SBC, SB Alert was highlighted to the members of the public and examples shown of situations where the messaging system has provided valuable and timely information to people across a huge area – an increase in the number of registered users was noted after the Resilient Communities evening in April. Actions we are taking to improve/maintain performance: Further evenings are being scheduled over the coming months which should again impact positively on both the increase of active resilient communities and their activity, and also SB Alert members.		Jim Fraser
Landfill Communities Fund - Number awarded	CP04-P001g Landfill Communities Fund - Number awarded 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 0 Catabril Cata	0	How are we performing: The Scottish Landfill Communities Fund is a tax credit scheme linked to Scottish Landfill Tax, which encourages Landfill Operators to voluntarily participate in providing funding to facilitate community and environmental projects in areas affected by landfill activity. Berwickshire Community Councils' Forum (BCCF) Environmental is the Approved Body registered to receive funding generated by the scheme. BCCF Environmental has reported that only one application has been progressed through the administration and decision making processes since the beginning of Q4 2016/17. An award has been made to Eastgate Theatre, Peebles (£5,195) but as yet the offer has		Shona Smith

Short Name	Trend Chart	Value	Commentary	Status	Managed By
Landfill Communities Fund - Value of funds awarded	E125,000 £100,000 £50,000 £50,000 £25,000 £0 Quarters — Family Group (previous yr) - Av. — SBC (previous yr) - Av. — Scotland (previous yr) - Av.	£0	not been formally accepted. BCCF Environmental has confirmed that 15 applications are currently progressing towards decision-making stage. Actions we are taking to improve/maintain performance: The fund is promoted via the SBC website and where possible, applications which appear to meet the criteria for Scottish Landfill Communities Fund are directed to BCCF Environmental for progression.		Shona Smith
Landfill Communities Fund - Total Project Cost	E800,000 £700,000 £700,000 £600,000 £900,000 £100,000 £100,000 £0 Quarters — Family Group (previous yr) - Av. — SBC (previous yr) - Av. — Scotland (previous yr) - Av.	£0			Shona Smith

Short Name	Trend Chart	Value	Commentary	Status	Managed By
Community Grant - No. of grants awarded	CP04-P001a Community Grant - No. of grants awarded 45 40 35 30 25 20 15 10 5 0 Quarters — Family Group (previous yr) - Av. — SBC (previous yr) - Av. — Scotland (previous yr) - Av.	6	How are we performing: The number of applications received this quarter is lower than equivalent Q4 2015/16. This is due to lack of available budget towards the end of 2016/17. Three areas (Eildon, Teviot & Liddesdale and Tweeddale) have been fully utilised and only minimal funding available in the remaining Berwickshire (£160) and Cheviot areas (£90). £986 remains in the generic Borders budget. The value of awards is also lower than in Q4 2015/16 for this reason. Where appropriate, applicants have been re-directed down other sources of funding. There are currently 8 applications awaiting decision in early April 2017 (Peebles Golf Club, Walkerburn Bowling Club, Galashiels Camera Club, Stow Community Park, Earlston Community Council, Selkirk Football Club, Rowlands (Selkirk) and Kelso Chamber of Trade) when more CGS funding becomes available.		Shona Smith
Community Grant - Value of funding granted	Exec - Community Grant Scheme: Grants / Total Project Value 1532,2// 1530,000 1530,000 1530,000 1510,000 1510,000	£13,211	Total value of project costs is higher than in Q4 2015/16. This is due to Community Grants Scheme match-funding being required for a major project in Peebles (Peebles Lawn Tennis Club - £198,948). Total value of project costs for CGS can fluctuate due to the flexibility of CGS accommodating both small community projects and large projects requiring match-funding.		
Community Grant Award - Total Project Cost	£100,000 £95,235 £686.627 £50,000 £36.669 £30.130 £24,246 £13,211 £0 £24,246 £13,211	£214,247	Total cost of project funding is higher this quarter than in equivalent Q4 2015/16. This is due to CGS match-funding being required for a major project in Peebles (Peebles Lawn Tennis Club - £198,948).		

Short Name	Trend Chart	Value	Commentary	Status	Managed By
National Lottery Funds - Overall Award Total	E1,000,000.00 E750,000.00 E0.00 Catabase C	£1,141,4	How are we performing: The number of grants is higher in Q4 2016/17 than in Q4 2015/16 by around £34k. In 2015/16 only 7 awards were made but in 2016/17 12 awards were made. Diminished internal funds has prompted groups to explore external funding options.	⊘	Shona Smith
National Lottery Fund - Total Awards made up to £10,000	E125,000 E100,000 E75,000 E50,000 E25,000 E25,	£88,668	Actions we are taking to improve or maintain performance: We continue to promote external funding streams on SBC's website along with internal funds to maximise leverage of funding into Scottish Borders. Where possible groups are directed to external funding streams to maximise limited internal funding and generate more income into Scottish Borders.	⊘	Shona Smith
National Lottery Fund - Total Awards made over £10,000	E1,000,000 E900,000 E	£1,052,7 45	How are we performing: The awards total is significantly higher in Q4 2016/17 than in Q4 2015/16. 5 awards were made overall, 2 were over £200k (Newcastleton Fuel Project and SBC Pathway 2 Projects) and one over £100k (PND Borders). This is in comparison to last year's Q4 total of £669,832 with 7 awards made however only 2 of these were over £100k. Actions we are taking to maintain or improve performance: We continue to work closely with local Trusts, The Bridge and SBC Officers to provide assistance and support towards the development of major projects in the area to secure large scale funding. We also promote lottery larger	⊘	Shona Smith

Short Name	Trend Chart	Value	Commentary	Status	Managed By
			schemes via the SBC website and undertake regular webinars with Big Lottery Funding Officers. There are currently 109 projects in the pipeline at present, approximately 40 are large scale projects progressing towards funding applications or awaiting decision.		
Quality of Life Fund – Total value of funds awarded (cumulative)	E110,000.00 £100,000.00 £90,	£113,424 .00	Observations: In Q4, £28.5k was allocated to "Quality of Life" projects, covering all 5 localities. This takes the total for the year to £113.4k across 87 projects, inclusive of a number of projects carried over from 2015/16. Average funding in the		Jason Hedley
Neighbourhood Small Schemes Fund – Total value of funds awarded (cumulative)	E250,000.00 E250,000.00 £100,000.00 £100,000.00 £50,000.00 £250,000.00 £100,000.00 £250,000.00 £50,000.00 £50,000.00	£288,747	year was £1,304 per project and allocations ranged from £60 to £10,000. Q4 saw £75.0k allocated to Small Schemes. For the full year 142 schemes were allocated funding totalling £288.7k, inclusive of a number of projects carried over from 2015/16. Average funding in the year was £2,033 per project and allocations ranged from £50 to £24,090.	⊘	Jason Hedley

Short Name	Trend Chart	Value	Commentary	Status	Managed By
No. of Active community resilience plans (cumulative)	Exec - Community Resilience Plans - Active and Progressing 40 35 35 36 37 38 25 20 15	12	Observations: A resilient community coordinator evening was held in Duns in April. All active and progressing resilient community coordinators and deputies from the Berwickshire area were invited to attend this information evening to provide them with an update on the role of SBC in supporting resilient communities and their teams. This meeting also provided	②	Jim Fraser
No. of Progressing community resilience plans (cumulative)	15 10 5 0 CP04-P0011 ■ CP04-P001m		n opportunity for discussion in other areas of the Borders round the resilient community intuitive and how to in/expand and what provisions are provided etc. This vening was a pilot event for the roll out of similar meetings overing all other active areas of the Borders, with the hope increasing interest and promoting the scheme.	②	Jim Fraser
The number of people carrying out volunteer work with SBC	CP04-P001o The number of people carrying out volunteer work with SBC 250 200 150 100 50 Quarters — Family Group (previous yr) - Av. — SBC (previous yr) - Av. — Scotland (previous vr) - Av.	84	Observations: Due to staff changes and staff leaving within the SBC Community Learning and Development (CLD) service, some youth clubs didn't take place in the last quarter and consequently the number of young people volunteering fell to none. Walk It - Four new walks started in January and four new Walk Leaders joined additional walls and logged longer hours.		Shona Smith

05

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

65

people were seriously

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**

on average, was recycled over the last 12 months

SB last year 36.89%

HOUSEHOLD WASTE

60.71%

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

waste

spend to save

low carbon

waste

spend to save

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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Corporate Priority 5: High Quality Environment

Short Name	Trend Chart	Value	Commentary	Status	Managed By
Annual Household Recycling Rate (%) - UNVERIFIED (cumulative rolling average)	CPUS-P001cP How much of our household waste is recycled (%) - UNVERIFIED (cumulative rolling average) S0.00	39.03	Observations: Over the last four quarters there has been a small but consistent increase in recycling rate observed. This is thought to be related to the introduction of food waste kerbside collections and an increase in garden waste collected at the recycling centres. The tonnes of waste going to landfill have increased slightly over the period of the past four quarters. This could be related to economic activity. However, over this same time	⊘	Ross Sharp- Dent
Annual Household Waste Landfilled Rate (%) - UNVERIFIED (cumulative rolling average)	CP05-P001dP How much of our household waste goes to landfill (%) - UNVERIFIED (cumulative rolling average) 70.00 60.00 62.22 61.70 62.20 62.52 60.71 0.00 20.00 20.00 20.00 20.00 20.00	60.71	there has been a small but consistent decrease in the percentage of waste going to landfill. This is thought to be related to the introduction of food waste kerbside collections and an increase in garden waste collected at the recycling centres. Note: This data is calendar year. A system error which has subsequently been resolved has resulted in a small increase in the recycling rates and decrease in the landfilled rates for the first three quarters of 2016.	②	Ross Sharp- Dent

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.	⊘	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	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.	⊘	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

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% Penily Group - Av. — Family Group (previous yr) - Av. — SBC (previous yr) - Av. — Scotland - Av. — Scotland (previous yr) - Av.	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

DEVELOP OUR WORKFORCE

HOW ARE WE DOING?

SBC Modern Apprentices 2016/17







Siobhan receiving her Apple watch prize alongside Gordon Mackie (from CGI) and David Robertson (SBC).

Case Study

Work Opportunities

To promote "Scottish Apprenticeship Week", SBC's IT partner CGI ran a photo competition in conjunction with SBC, open to all our Modern Apprentices (MAs). Our MAs were asked to send in a photo of their daily working life that encapsulated their apprenticeship and showed that apprenticeships are changing. The winner was Siobhan Murphy from the Environment and Infrastructure team and she won an Apple watch.

benefits

communication

staff development

flexibility

benefits

communication

staff development

Our performance during 2016/2017



SBC ABSENCE RATE*

3.8%

of working days were lost, on average, due to absence as of December 2016

(down from 4.1% in Dec 15/16)

WORK OPPORTUNITIES

50

work opportunities are being supported by SBC through our "Work Opportunities **Policy"** as of March 2017



(down from 56 in March 15/16)

APPRENTICESHIPS

36

apprentices are employed with SBC as of March 2017 **APPRENTICESHIPS**

67% male **33%** female across various departments such as Human Resources, Engineering, Finance

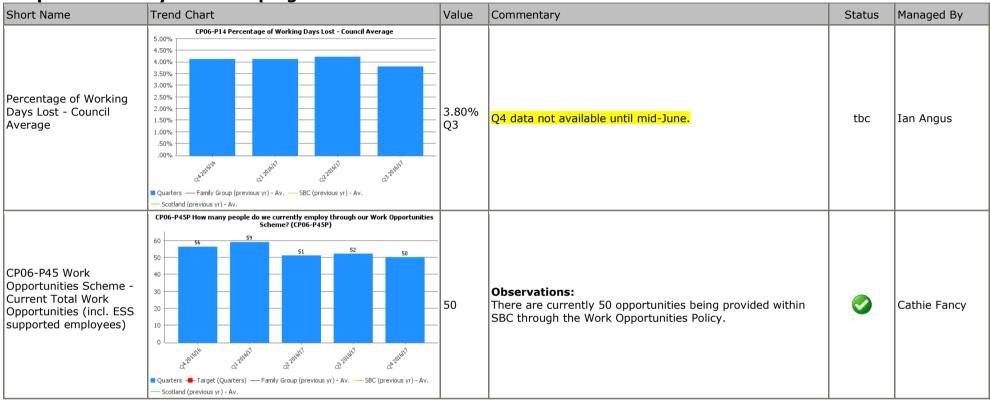
(73% male in March 15/16) (27% female in March 15/16)

(37 in March 15/16)

ECONOMY SERVICE **EXCELLENCE ATTAINMENT** AND ACHIEVEMENT CARE, SUPPORT AND PROTECTION WORKFORCE ENVIRONMENT COMMUNITIES AND VOLUNTARY SECTOR

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Corporate Priority 6: Developing our Workforce



Short Name	Trend Chart	Value	Commentary	Status	Managed By
CP06-P31 Work Opportunities Scheme - Current Employability Fund Posts	Executive - Supported Employment excl. ESS 45 40 37 36 36 36 36 36	0	SDS employability fund posts within SBC-2 individuals have benefited from a Employability Fund work placement within SBC this year. Other Employability Fund placements are delivered externally within large and small businesses throughout the Scottish Borders.		Cathie Fancy
CP06-P32 Work Opportunities Scheme - Current Student Placements	30 25 20 10 10 9 7	3	Student Placements - Students continue to approach SBC for paid work experience during the summer break and unpaid work experience from September as part of their studies.		Cathie Fancy
CP06-P37 Work Opportunities Scheme - Current Modern Apprentices employed within SBC	0 0 1 1 0 0 3 0 3 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	36	Apprentices – There are currently 24 male and 12 female apprentices employed by SBC.	<u>~</u>	Cathie Fancy
CP06-P44 Work Opportunities Scheme - Current Other SBC opportunities	CP06-P44P How many other work opportunities do we currently have? (CP06-P44P) 11 15 10 10 23 25 25 45 40 15 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 1	11	11 individuals benefitted from "other" opportunities e.g. work experience, through the Work Opportunities Scheme during this quarter.		Cathie Fancy

DEVELOP OUR ASSETS AND RESOURCES HOW ARE WE DOING?

April 2016 - March 2017:

CAPITAL RECEIPTS

£1,437,000 was received from selling our **fixed assets** such as buildings in

SB 2015/16 £847.711 **OCCUPANCY RATES**

88.8% of industrial and commercial properties owned by the council were **occupied** as of March 2017

SB 2015/16 93%

Locality Property Plans

High-level property plans are being developed for each of the five localities (Berwickshire, Cheviot, Eildon, Teviot & Liddesdale and Tweeddale). These will form part of the wider "Locality Plans" and look at how public sector investment can be better focussed to meet community needs. The initiative seeks to ensure that diminishing resources are used to best effect and will help address resource challenges.



In February and March this year, a series of pre-consultation events were held across the Borders to hear first-hand about local issues, initiatives and priorities. Feedback is being used to inform first drafts of the Locality Property Plans and further consultation will be held before publication in October. The plans support the "Asset Transfer" section of the Community Empowerment Act and the Council's approach to achieving savings.

buildings

2016/17

energy efficiency

capital investment

buildings

energy efficiency

capital investment

buildings

Our performance during 2016/17



COUNCIL PROPERTIES

19

properties are no longer required

properties are advertised for sale

properties are currently under offer

http://www.scotborders.gov.uk/ sale lets

COUNCIL TAX

96.63%

of Council Tax due was collected in 2016/17

(up from 96.5% in 15/16)

CAPITAL PROJECTS

99

number of projects ongoing across the council of which

93 are on target

4 are slightly behind target

2 is not on target

ENERGY CONSUMPTION* 2016/17

kilowatt hours of electricity at a

cost of **£0.984m**

(down from 9,439,496 in 15/16) (down from £1.015m in 15/16)

ENERGY CONSUMPTION* 2016/17

we used 11,989,056 kilowatt hours of gas at a

cost of **£0.266m**

(down from £0.365m in 15/16)

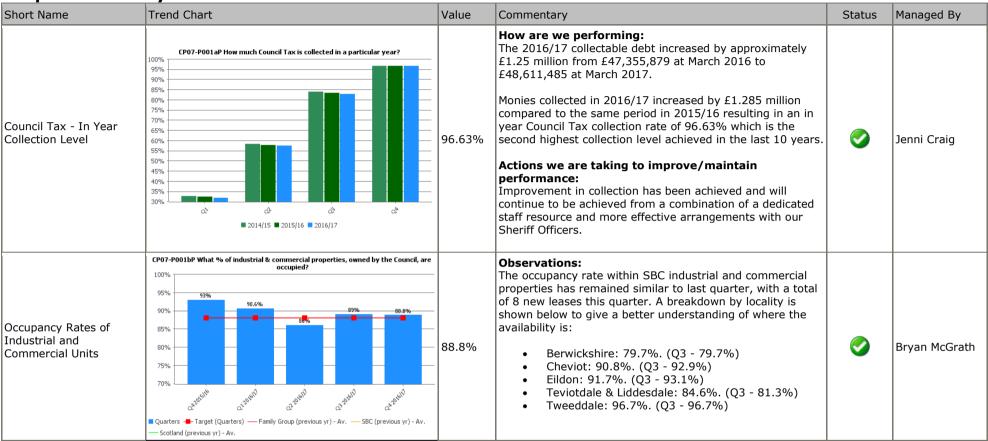
(down from 12,856,850 in 15/16)

*The energy consumption figures are based on 26 sites across the council which account for approximately 50% of the energy used across the council, and is therefore representative of the energy use across the council as a whole.

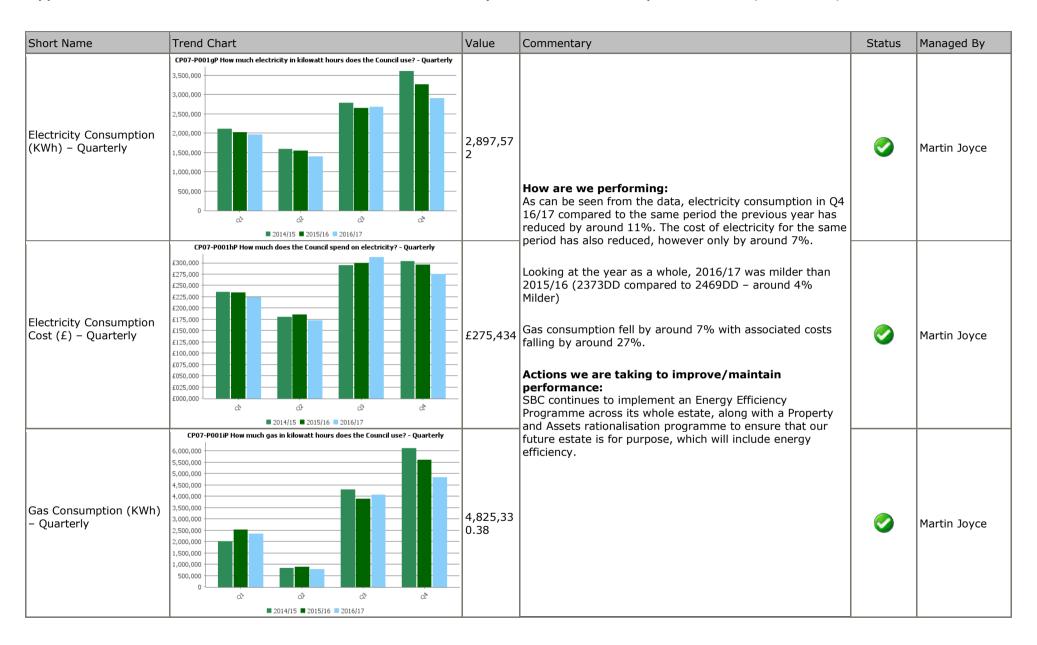


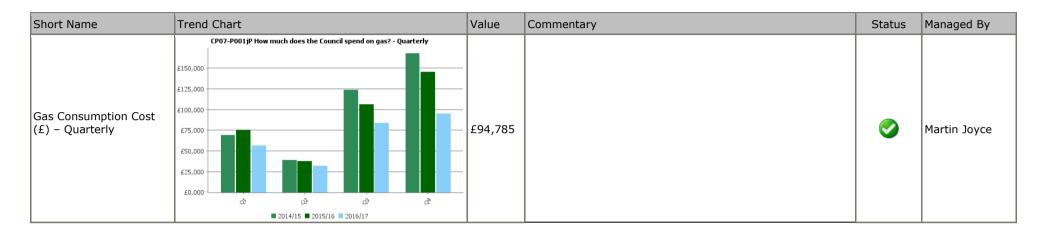
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Corporate Priority 7: Assets and Resources



Short Name	Trend Chart	Value	Commentary	Status	Managed By
Capital Receipts Generated (cumulative)	E1,500,000.00 E1,250,000.00 E1,000,000.00 E750,000.00 E250,000.00 E250,000.00 E0.00 E0	£1,437,0 00.00	How are we performing: A total of four properties have been sold over the reporting period (16/17) resulting in a total of £1.437 million of capital receipts 2016/17. Actions we are taking to improve/maintain performance: Properties advertised for sale are now being marketed with planning permission for change of use in place, where it is felt that this will enhance the property value. This will also result in offers no longer being conditional upon obtaining planning permission for change of use.	②	Neil Hastie
Total no. of properties surplus to requirements		19	How are we performing: Nineteen properties are surplus to the Council's requirements. Seven properties are actively being marketed		Neil Hastie
Total no. of properties actively being marketed	Executive - Properties no longer required 25 22 21 20 19	7	through the Councils selling Agents. A further eight properties are under offer, two to Community Groups. Settlement dates have been set for two of these in the next reporting period.		Neil Hastie
Total no. of properties under offer	18 15 10 10 7 8 7 8 8 7 7 8 8 7 8 8 7 8 8 7 8 8 7 8 8 7 8 8 7 8 8 7 8 8 7 8 8 7 8 8 7 8 8 7 8 8 7 8 8 7 8 8 8 7 8 8 8 7 8 8 8 7 8 8 8 8 7 8 8 8 8 7 8	8	Actions we are taking to improve/maintain performance: The performance of the selling agent is monitored closely ensuring that particulars and web details are produced timeously and updated according to the status of the marketing period. Regular contact is maintained with the selling agent during the marketing process so that closing dates are set when interest is strong. Where missives are conditional realistic and workable timescales and deadlines are put in place to ensure that there is no slippage between financial years with properties under offer		Neil Hastie





Short Name	Trend Chart	Value	Commentary	Status	Managed By
Number of Capital Projects where RAG status is "Green"		93	Observations: Of the 99 capital projects currently being managed by SBC, 2 have been assessed as <u>red</u> in terms of progress being made to deliver the project (time, quality, & budget) These	②	
Number of Capital Projects where RAG status is "Amber"		4	 Wilton Lodge Park: The café project has experienced budget and project pressures as a direct consequence of 3rd party contractual performance failures. SBC is working to expedite completion <i>and</i> recover the 	Ø	
Number of Capital Projects where RAG status is "Red"	Executive - Capital Projects 110 108 100 99 95 95 93 80 70 40 30 20 16 11 1 1 1 3 0 4 0 4 2 CPO7-POO1IP CPO7-POO1IP CPO7-POO1IMP	2	 New Easter Langlee Waste Transfer Station: as planning consent was refused the project is now delayed and is likely to incur significant additional cost. 4 have been assessed as Amber: Street Lighting Energy Efficiency Project: final phase of project delayed due to a procurement challenge which was successfully defended. Duns Primary School & Locality Support Centre:		Martin Joyce

Short Name	Trend Chart	Value	Commentary	Status	Managed By
Total Number of Contracts Awarded with Community Benefit Clauses (CBC) included	CP07-P002aP Total Number of Contracts Awarded with Community Benefit Clauses (CBC) 15 12.5 10 7.5 5 4 2.5 0 11 Quarters — Target (Quarters) — Family Group (previous yr) - Av. — SBC (previous yr) - Av. — Scotland (previous yr) - Av.	1	How are we performing: During the reporting period, the following contract has awarded with a Community Benefits clause •Mental Health Housing Support Service Actions we are taking to improve/maintain performance: Each contract opportunity is fully considered for added value. It should be noted that the number of the contracts awarded and start dates of those contracts will be subject to natural variation dependant on the timing of contract award, scope and scale of contract opportunities from the Council. It is therefore not possible to trend this indicator on a short term basis.		Kathryn Dickson; Shona Smith
Number of new Employment and Skills opportunities delivered as a result of Community Benefit Clauses (CBC)	CP07-P002bP Number of new Employment and Skills opportunities delivered as a result of Community Benefit Clauses (CBC) 18 15 15 12 18 7.5 5 2.5 Quarters — Target (Quarters) — Family Group (previous yr) - Av. — SBC (previous yr) - Av. — Scotland (previous yr) - Av.	18	How are we performing: During this period of Quarter a further 32 opportunities have been delivered. • 11 new jobs created; • 2 apprenticeship starts; • 5 work experience opportunities. Further benefits created through Council contracts include: • Engagement with over 1,400 school pupils at a variety of events in Kelso, Hawick and Galashiels schools; • Earlston Paths Group benefited from the supply of 20 tonnes of aggregate for their projects. Actions we are taking to improve/maintain performance: Monitoring of all contracted community benefit clauses is in place to ensure delivery is achieved.		Kathryn Dickson; Shona Smith



ENSURE EXCELLENT, ADAPTABLE, COLLABORATIVE AND ACCESSIBLE PUBLIC SERVICES

HOW ARE WE DOING?

April 2016 - March 2017:

CUSTOMER INTERACTIONS

172,078

interactions with the public were handled by our Customer Service staff via email, face to face contact, phonecalls and mail in 2016/17

SBC 2015/16

175,333

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUESTS (FOI)

1246

requests for information under the Freedom of Information Act

were received in 2016/17

SBC 2015/16 1147

COMPLAINTS

563

customer complaints were handled by SBC in 2016/17

SBC 2015/16 564

SOCIAL WORK
SERVICE COMPLAINTS

89

ICT

complaints received regarding the **Social Work service** in 2016/17

SBC 2015/16 71

Compliments during 2016/17

SBC receives many unsolicited compliments covering a range of services:

"Thank you for the speedy response to the broken drain cover."

"Many thanks for your welcome initiative; your actions have restored my faith in SBC.
Looking after an elderly parent is not easy and I greatly appreciate your willingness to quickly investigate and resolve this straightforward issue."

".... was very professional, and drafted a letter explaining everything succinctly and to the point. He listened intently to (the customer)".

"The service at the Eshiels Site has improved radically over the last few months."

"Please accept and pass on my thanks for the thorough and very professional job which was completed a few days after my request. Great Service!"
"I'm very happy with the new Food waste collection service- it means my kitchen bin is odour free and can be put out less often as the decaying food is kept separate".

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Our performance during 2016/17



CUSTOMER INTERACTIONS

62,470

face to face interactions were logged by our

Contact Centres

during 2016/17

(down from 67,949 in 2015/16)

103,761 phone interactions were logged by our Contact Centres in 2016/17

(up from 102,342 in 2015/16)

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION

92.5%

of **FOI requests** were **completed on time** in 2016/17

(up from 88% in 2015/16)

SOCIAL MEDIA

The number of engagements during 2016/17.

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186,846

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87,704

COMPLAINTS

Our average response times for complaints for 2016/17 were as follows:

Stage 1 complaints

3.9 days

(down from 4 in 2015/16)

Stage 2 complaints

17.5 days

(up from 17.2 in 2015/16)

Escalated complaints 17.0 days

(up from 16.7 in 2015/16)

In 2016/17 we closed:

84.3%

of **complaints** at **stage 1** within **5 working days**

(down from 85.2% in 2015/16)

84%

of **complaints** at **stage 2** within **20 working days**

(up from 77.5% in 2015/16)

69.2% of escalated complaints within **20 working days**

(down from 83.3% in 2015/16)

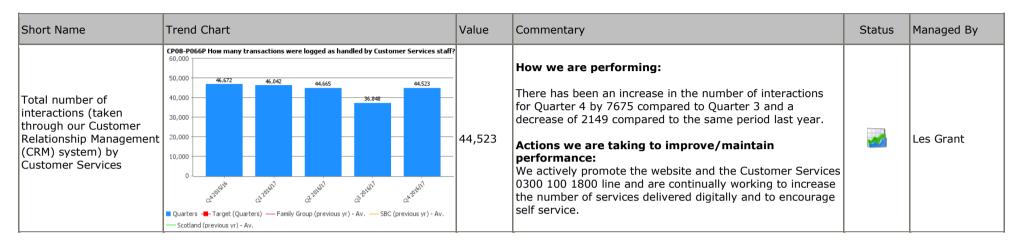


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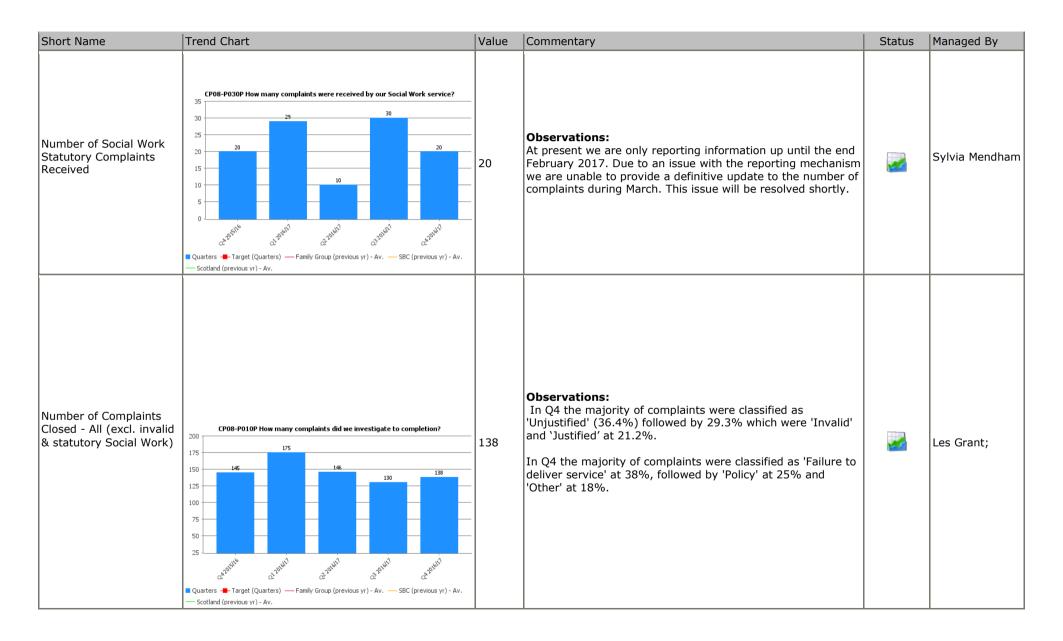
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*Performance indicators with a quarter lag in data.

Corporate Priority 8: Excellent Public Services



Short Name	Trend Chart	Value	Commentary	Status	Managed By
Face-to-Face interactions (taken through CRM) by Customer Services (CP08-P63)	Exec - Customer Services Interactions logged on CRM 35,000 30,000 28,266 28,663 26,625 26,876 21,657	16,185	How are we performing: There has been an increase of 2,526 in the number of Faceto Face interactions taken through CRM than the previous quarter. In comparison to quarter 4 of 2015/16 there has been a reduction of 524 Face-to-Face interactions. Actions we are taking to improve/maintain performance: Work is ongoing to move our services on-line	<u></u>	Les Grant
Voice interactions (taken through CRM) by Customer Services (CP08-P65)	15,000 10,000 5,000	26,876	How are we performing: The number of voice interactions in Quarter 4 has decreased by 1390 over the number taken in Quarter 4 2015/16. Actions we are taking to improve/maintain performance: We actively use media campaigns to promote our services and the Customer Services 0300 100 1800 line. We continue to promote the Customer Relationship Management (CRM) system corporately. Work on training new starts and existing staff is on-going. We are also working to channel shift customers to on-line self-service options.		Les Grant



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Average times: the average time in working days to respond to complaints at stage one (SPSO-04a)	SPSO-04a Average times: the average time in working days to respond to complaints at stage one (SPSO-04a) 5 4.5 4.5 4.5 2.5 2.5 2.6 1.5 0.5 0 Quarters — Family Group (previous yr) - Av. — SBC (previous yr) - Av. — Scotland (previous yr) - Av.	4.5	How are we performing: There has been a slight increase in the average number of days taken to respond to complaints at stage one, compared with the same quarter last year. A few unexpected staff absences during the quarter has resulted a small number of complex complaints running over time and not being closed within the required time scale. Actions we are taking to improve/maintain performance: We use the Customer Relationship Management (CRM) System to manage complaints within the allocated timescales. We also provide refresher training where necessary.		Les Grant
Average times: the average time in working days to respond to complaints at stage two (SPSO-04b)	SPSO-04b Average times: the average time in working days to respond to complaints at stage two (SPSO-04b) 17.5 15 12.5 2.5 2.5 Quarters — Family Group (previous yr) - Av. — SBC (previous yr) - Av. — Scotland (previous yr) - Av.	17.6	How are we performing: There has been an increase in the average number of days taken to respond to complaints at stage two, when compared to the same quarter last year. (Should be responded to within 20 days) Actions we are taking to improve/maintain performance: We use the Customer Relationship Management System to manage complaints within the allocated timescales. We also provide refresher training where necessary.		Les Grant

Short Name	Trend Chart	Value	Commentary	Status	Managed By
Average times: the average time in working days to respond to complaints after escalation (SPSO-04c)	SPSO-04c Average times: the average time in working days to respond to complaints after escalation (SPSO-04c) 20 17.5 12.5 12.5 2.5 2.5 2.5 Quarters — Family Group (previous yr) - Av. — SBC (previous yr) - Av. — Scotland (previous yr) - Av.	18.1	How are we performing: There were 13 stage two complaints that were escalated .The average time taken to respond to the customer has increased compared to the previous quarter but slightly decreased compared to the same quarter last year. Actions we are taking to improve/maintain performance: We use the Customer Relationship Management System to manage complaints within the allocated timescales. We also provide refresher training where necessary.	⊘	Les Grant
Performance against timescales: the number of complaints closed at stage one within 5 working days as % of total number of stage one complaints (SPSO-05a)	SPSO-05a Performance against timescales: the number of complaints closed at stage one within 5 working days as % of total number of stage one complaints (SPSO-05a) 80% 70% 60% 50% 40% 90% 10% 00% 10% Quarters — Family Group (previous yr) - Av. — SBC (previous yr) - Av. — Scotland (previous yr) - Av.	84.3%	How are we performing: There has been a slight decrease of 1.2% in comparison to the same quarter last year, however overall the figure continues to remain fairly consistent. Actions we are taking to improve/maintain performance: We use the Customer Relationship Management System to manage complaints within the allocated timescales. We also provide refresher training where necessary		Les Grant

Short Name	Trend Chart	Value	Commentary	Status	Managed By
Performance against timescales: the number of complaints closed at stage two within 20 working days as % of total number of stage two complaints (SPSO-05b)	SPSO-05b Performance against timescales: the number of complaints closed at stage two within 20 working days as % of total number of stage two complaints (SPSO-05b) 90% 80% 70% 40% 30% 20% 10% 0 42 Again Caracters 42 Again Caracters 43 Again Caracters 55 C (previous yr) - Av. — Scotland (previous yr) - Av.	84%	How are we performing: There has been an increase of 5.4% in comparison to the same period last year. Actions we are taking to improve/maintain performance: We use the Customer Relationship Management System to SPSO manage complaints within the allocated timescales. We also provide refresher training where necessary.		Les Grant
Performance against timescales: the number of escalated complaints closed within 20 working days as a % of total number of escalated stage two complaints (SPSO-05c)	SP50-05c Performance against timescales: the number of escalated complaints closed within 20 working days as a % of total number of escalated stage two complaints (SP50-05c) 80% 70% 60% 40% 30% 10% 0% Quarters — Family Group (previous yr) - Av. — SBC (previous yr) - Av. — Scotland (previous yr) - Av.	69.2%	How are we performing: There were 13 complaints within stage two that were escalated, Actions we are taking to improve/maintain performance: We use the Customer Relationship Management System to manage complaints within the allocated timescales. We also provide refresher training where necessary.		Les Grant

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Freedom of Information (FOI) Requests Received	CP08-P053 FOI Requests Received 350 300 250 200 150 100 50 Quarters — Family Group (previous yr) - Av. — SBC (previous yr) - Av. — Scotland (previous yr) - Av.	372	Observations: The number of FOI requests received each quarter continues to rise, in line with national trends. Each FOI requires officer time to collate responses and depending on the request, can take significant amounts of time.		Nuala McKinlay
% of FOI Requests Completed on Time	CPO8-P054P What percentage of requests for information received, under the Freedom Information Act, did we complete on time? 100% 90% 849% 92% 92% 92% 80% 70% 60% 50% 40% 30% 20% 10% 0% CARBERT ACT OF THE POST OF THE POS	92%	How are we performing: SBC has made good progress over the year, and steady progress over the longer term. Whilst we strive to reach 100%, many of the requests are very complex, and require information held across a number of departments. Actions we are taking to improve/maintain performance: All staff must undergo training on dealing with FOIs, and the streamlining of processes within departments, as well as the availability of information on SBC's new website, means that we can respond to the majority of FOI requests quickly and efficiently		Nuala McKinlay
Number of Facebook Engagements	CP08-P159 Number of Facebook Engagements 80,000 70,000 60,000 50,000 20,000 10,000 0 Cartiful	84,143	Observations: On Facebook, SBC posts reached an estimated 509,483 people, with 84,143 engaging (liking, commenting, sharing) with posts. Over Q4 the number of Facebook followers rose by over a thousand to 14,174. The most popular Facebook posts in Q4 were posts connected to Storm Doris and the "teaser" video ahead of the opening of Wilton Lodge Park playpark.	<u></u>	Tracey Graham

