

ENVIRONMENT DEPARTMENT

Development Control Performance for 1st and 2nd quarters of Year ending 5th April 2013 (covering the period: 6th April 2012 – 5th October 2012)

Table 1. Performance against targets for speed of decision

	Target:	Achieved:
% decisions issued in 8 weeks	80%	70%
% decisions issued in 13 weeks	90%	89%
% decisions on householder applications issued in 8 weeks	90%	78%

Table 2. Performance against other indicators

Total number of valid applications received in report period.	989
Total number of applications decided in report period.	1056
Refusal rate (refusals as % of total applications decided in report period)	9.6% (101 refusals)
Appeal rate (no. appeals received as % of applications refused in report period)	17.8% (18 appeals)
Appeal result (% planning appeals dismissed in report period)	65.6% (10 dismissed)

Notes:-

1. The figures above relate to planning applications and appeals made under the Land Planning and Development (Guernsey) Law, 2005 ('The 2005 Law').
2. Speed of decision is measured in terms of the period between receipt of the valid application and the actual issue (i.e. posting out) of the formal decision notice (not the time between receipt of the application and the making of the decision, which will be slightly shorter).
3. A new statistic is included this quarter relating to speed of decision on 'householder' applications. These are generally more minor applications for domestic development. The target relates to the recommendation of the Shepley Report into the Planning Service (2008) that the Department takes a structured approach to monitoring the flexibility and 'attention to detail' applied to minor applications.

4. The “appeal result” statistic measures the proportion of dismissed appeals relative to all appeal decisions on planning applications (including any appeals conceded) over the report period. Dismissed appeals are those decided in favour of the Department.
5. Performance statistics including the 3rd quarter of the year 2012/13 will be available in January 2013.