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Indicator	Comment	Frequency	Result T	arget	Status	Short Trend	Long Trend	
% Major and County Matter applications determined within 13 weeks/ agreed timescale	Delays will be addressed under new working approaches in new Local Plan	Monthly	60.00	75		0	۲	
Core Strategy HRAs completed (#)	Null	Annually	100.00	100		\bigcirc		
Decisions overturned on appeal (#)	Perfect performance	Monthly	00.00	5				
Enforcement cases within 13 wks (%)	New enforcement approach being drafted in revised local strategy	Monthly	66.20	85		۷	۷	
Major and County Matter apps on time (%)	Strong performance	Quarterly	75.64	65		Ø	Ø	
Major and County Matter planning decisions made in 2 yrs 9m prior allowed at appeal (%)	Null	Quarterly	01.54	10		0	Ø	
Minor planning apps 8wks (%)	Low performance, but post-new LP steps will assist	Monthly	56.92	75		۷	۷	
Neighbourhood Planning Regs (%)	Humshaugh Parish designated (March 2022).	Quarterly	100.00	100			•	
Net additional homes (#)	The target of 651 is the local housing need for Northumberland (2020-2030) as at 31 March 2020 based on the new 2014-based household projections, together with the 2019 affordability ratio. The 2020/21 outturn of net additional homes exceeds the target of 651 houses by 626 units. This indicator reports an exceeded target for the year. Thereby significantly contributing to the North of Tyne Combined Authority Devolution Deal to accelerate housing delivery in the area above Local Housing Need figures.	Annually	1277.00	651		\bigcirc	۷	
Net affordable homes provided (# pa)	Overall there were 162 affordable homes delivered in 2020/21 through the planning system, however the net affordable homes figure was 136 due to 26 affordable homes being demolished in 2020/21. This figure of 136 will also require a further downward adjustment to account for 52 dwelling completions previously recorded as being affordable units, but which updated monitoring has subsequently identified that plot substitutions meant their tenures had been changed to no longer be affordable homes.	Annually	136.00	374		\bigcirc	۷	
% new houses granted planning permission that are affordable homes	The percentage of new homes granted planning permission that are affordable for 2020-2021 was 15%. During the year there were a number of applications that provided an affordable financial contribution rather than physical units. This accounts for the lower than target percentage.	Annually	15.18	17		\bigcirc	Ø	
Non-Major decisions in 2 year period 9 m prior allowed at appeal (%)	Excellent performance	Quarterly	00.69	5			۲	
Other apps within 8 weeks (%)	Weak performance but measures in place to address	Monthly	60.58	85		۷	۲	
Pre-app enquiry and advice (%)	New system about to launch	Monthly	55.84	85		0	۲	
Preparation of Local Plan (%)	During Q4, the Council received the Inspectors' Report on the examination of the Northumberland Local Plan (NLP), which concluded that the NLP was sound and capable of adoption, subject to main modifications. The NLP came into effect on 31 March 2022, following agreement to adopt the NLP, with the recommended main modifications, at Cabinet on 29 March 2022 and Full Council on 30 March 2022.	Quarterly	100.00	100				
Scheme of delegation apps (%)	Slight dip. Contextual only	Monthly	92.17	95		۷	۲	
Threshold - Non major app decisions made (rolling 2 yrs) (%)	Slightly under stretch targets	Quarterly	74.33	75	•	0	۷	

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