## **ENVIRONMENT DEPARTMENT**

## Development Control Performance for Year 6<sup>th</sup> April 2010 – 5<sup>th</sup> April 2011

Table 1. Performance against targets for speed of decision

	Target:	Achieved:
% decisions issued in 8 weeks	70%	72%
% decisions issued in 13 weeks	80%	90%

Table 2. Performance against other indicators

Total number of valid applications received 6 <sup>th</sup> April 2010 – 5 <sup>th</sup> April 2011	2,055
Total number of applications decided 6 <sup>th</sup> April 2010 – 5 <sup>th</sup> April 2011	1,908
Refusal rate (refusals as % of total applications decided 6 <sup>th</sup> April 2010 – 5 <sup>th</sup> April 2011)	10%
Appeal rate (no. appeals as % of applications refused 6 <sup>th</sup> April 2010 – 5 <sup>th</sup> April 2011)	26%
Appeal result (% planning appeals dismissed 6 <sup>th</sup> April 2010 – 5 <sup>th</sup> April 2011)	76%

## 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. An additional 'appeal rate' statistic has been included in the report this year to show the proportion of refused applications which were subject of appeal to the Planning Appeals Panel.
- 4. The 'appeal result' statistic has been changed from previous reports and now measures the proportion of dismissed appeals relative to all appeal decisions (including any appeals conceded) on an annual basis, rather than since commencement of the new appeals system in 2009. This will enable any trend year on year to be identified. Dismissed appeals are those decided in favour of the Department.
- 5. The Department's targets for speed of decision for planning applications will increase by 10% in each category from 6<sup>th</sup> April 2011. The 8 week target will therefore be 80% and the 13 week target will be 90%. Performance statistics for the first guarter of the year 2011/12 will be available in July 2011.