

ENVIRONMENT DEPARTMENT

Development Control Performance for 4th quarter of Year ending 5th April 2012 (covering the period: 6th April 2011 – 5th April 2012)

Table 1. Performance against targets for speed of decision

	Target:	Achieved:
% decisions issued in 8 weeks	80%	71%
% decisions issued in 13 weeks	90%	91%

Table 2. Performance against other indicators

Total number of valid applications received in report period.	1,973
Total number of applications decided in report period.	1,946
Refusal rate (refusals as % of total applications decided in report period)	8.6% (167 refusals)
Appeal rate (no. appeals received as % of applications refused in report period)	18% (30 appeals)
Appeal result (% planning appeals dismissed in report period)	59% (17 dismissed out of 29)

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). During the year staffing within the Development Control team was reduced through implementation of Financial Transformation Programme recommendations and vacancies.
3. 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.
4. Performance statistics for the 1st quarter of the year 2012/13 will be available in July 2012.