

Major application determination times

From 1 Oct 2015 to end Sept 2017

The time taken to process major applications, which is assessed over a two year period, shows that performance still significantly exceeds required levels.

The government requirement is for 50% of major applications to be determined within an agreed time frame. This performance requirement is set to rise to 60% in 2018.

Last time performance figures were reported to this Committee 88% of major applications were determined in time. Performance then rose to 91.4% at the end of June 2017. Current performance, at the end of Sept 2017, is 86% as shown below.

All major applications in the Planning Service have an allocated case officer, i.e. there are no unallocated major cases.

Number of applications	Total number in time	Quarter
5	2	Jan - March '15 Q4
4	3	April - June '15 Q1
7	7	July - Sept '15 Q2
10	8	Oct - Dec '15 Q3
7	6	Jan - March '16 Q4
8	7	April - June '16 Q1
3	3	July - Sept '16 Q2
2	2	Oct - Dec '16 Q3
2	2	Jan - March '17 Q4
8	8	April - June '17 Q1
3	1*	July - Sept '17 Q2
TOTAL	43	37 = 86%

Previous quarter shown as crossed through.

*One application used an Extension of Time (16/1148 Erection of agricultural building and associated works at Newhouse Farm, Lea End Lane) in order that design improvements could be achieved.

Applications 16/1085 and 16/1087 (developments at Longridge East for new dwellings and associated works and community facility) went out of time due to negotiations around section 106 contributions.