

**3rd Quarter Performance Summary 2012-13:  
Planning, Environment & Conservation - Cllr Ackerley**

Lead Officers: Norman Proudfoot, Steve Pointer, Adrian Eastwood, Matt Bradford  
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**Key Achievements**

- Work has been undertaken in developing a Tenancy Strategy, updating the Homelessness Strategy and reviewing the Councils Social Housing Allocations Policy through joint working with other authorities in the Leicestershire Choice Based Letting Group. A Housing Partnership consultative event took place on 22 November 2012. This will inform development of the Housing Strategy which will now be completed in the first quarter of 2013/14.
- Planning consents granted for major developments including: Leaders Farm, Lutterworth; Northampton Road, Market Harborough and Stobart Ltd. Adjacent Magna Park.
- Achievement of a 5 year supply of land for housing (October 2012 calculation)
- Timely decision on proposal for 122m wind turbine Carlton Curlieu and housing, Leicester Road, Fleckney.
- Response to Government consultation on 'Relaxation of Permitted Development for extensions'.
- Reduction in the number of empty homes listed on the Council Tax register through intervention work of Regulatory Services.
- Completion of a joint procurement for a Countywide Home Improvement Agency .
- Introduction of new recycling arrangements throughout the district. New fortnightly recycling collections commenced on 19<sup>th</sup> November 2012. The roll-out required the delivery of 37,000 wheeled-bins to households throughout the district. Initial participation in the scheme is high and the overall feedback has been positive. Under the new arrangements, recycling bring sites have been removed and the food waste collections stopped with little adverse feedback. The new arrangements will deliver a £200,000 per year saving and increase our recycling rates.

**Key Challenges**

- Potential changes arising from Government review of planning and building regulations.
- Consultation phase on the North West Market Harborough SDA Masterplan is due to begin in March. A new governance structure for the project has been approved. The Developers Partnership Group is preparing a detailed Masterplan for presentation to a Community Partnership Group and Project Board. Early drafts of the Masterplan have been considered by officers and comments submitted. The consideration of development options in September proved challenging and it is expected that the next round of consultation will be equally so – but it is intended to ensure that this exercise is as comprehensive as possible.

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**Key Areas of Work in Progress**

- Creation of a New Local Plan. In December, Council approved the preparation of a new Local Plan to incorporate a refreshed Core Strategy and Strategic Allocations to create a single plan which fits better with the new National Planning Policy Framework. As part of this work a Housing Requirements Study was commissioned to provide an updated estimate of the amount of new housing needed every year. The start of this process is a consultation on the scope of the Plan which is planned for March- April 2013.
- Development of the Community Infrastructure Levy. Viability assessment work has been subject to further consultation which is being considered by consultants. There are outstanding gaps in the Infrastructure Schedule which require completion. Reports to be considered by CMT on 11 January 2013 and Member Task Panel on 23 January. A presentation on the issue of CIL will be given to an all Member Workshop on 6 March prior to reporting to Executive on the issue.
- Neighbourhood Planning. Four Neighbourhood Areas have been designated. A Neighbourhood Planning Conference was held to promote community planning. Liaison with Lubenham Parish Council has taken place over inclusion of SDA area in Neighbourhood Plan.
- Planning applications for housing requiring decisions at Billesdon and Broughton Astley.
- Production of an Empty Property Housing Strategy.
- Joint working with Leicestershire Fire Service to ensure the effective enforcement of unlawful Houses in Multiple Occupation within the District.
- Participating in the 4 Ways 2 Warmth Campaign and the Countywide Warm Homes project following the successful bid for funding from Department of Health and the Department for Climate Change.
- Development of the new Trade Waste Recycling Service to start from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2012.



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Performance Measurement	Year to Date Position	Target Status	Target for 2012-2013	Which Way is Good?	Comment	Year to Date Trend Graph
NI 156 Number of households living in temporary accommodation	10	-	-	-	Quarter 3 = 3 households None of these in B&B accommodation	
LPI 109 Housing Advice Service: preventing homelessness (% of casework undertaken by HHS that directly assists in prevention of homelessness)	16.5%	-	-	↑		
LPI 110 Repeat Homelessness Acceptances	0	-	-	↓		N/A
LPI 605 Number of private sector homes occupied by vulnerable people made decent	5		5 (By end March '13)	↑	Work on a further 2 properties should be completed by the end of the financial year	
NI 157i % of major applications determined within 13 weeks	68.6%		60%	↑		
NI 157ii % of minor applications determined within 8 weeks	64.8%		65%	↑		
NI 157iii % of other planning applications determined within 8 weeks	81.5%		80%	↑		

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LPI 107 Customer Satisfaction with the Planning Service	94.8%		80%	↑		
LPI 108 % of Appeals Allowed	25%		30%	↓		
Total tonnage of household waste arising - percentage recycled and composted	57.35%		60%	↑	This data is a guideline only and is subject to change. It does not include MBT recycling tonnage which has generally increased. MBT tonnage is not currently available for this quarter. More accurate information will become available in due course.	