Report to:	Outsourced Services Scrutiny Panel
Title:	End of Quarter 1 2018/19: Key Performance Indicator (KPI) Report
Date of meeting	19 September 2018
Report of:	Head of Corporate Strategy and Communications

- 1.0 Summary
- 1.1 Watford BC's Corporate Plan sets out the council's priorities and corporate work programme to 2020. Underpinning the plan is a suite of key performance indicators. These measures support the delivery of good quality services (both internal and external) by highlighting areas of good performance and, more importantly, under performance.
- 1.2 The attached report (Appendix A) shows the results for these key performance indicators at the end of Q1 2018/19. The report, therefore, shows:
 - The result for end of Q1 (unless highlighted otherwise)
 - The results for the previous quarter (Q4 2017/18)
 - The results for the same quarter last year (Q1 2017/18)
 - The target that was set for 2018/19 and for Q1 these are often the same, particularly where a target is set as a percentage
 - Whether the indicator result is above, below or on target (shown by the green, red or orange arrows)
 - Benchmarking information, where available, against Hertfordshire authorities or all England authorities. As this collates national information, it lags behind that collected by the council and so, in most cases is Q4 2017/18

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2.0 Risks

2.1 Nature of Risk Consequence Suggested Response **Risk Rating** Control (Treat, (the Measures tolerate, combination terminate, of severity and transfer) likelihood) Failure to Potential for Treat 6 Robust scrutinise performance scrutiny and organisational to slip with challenge performance consequences for quality of service delivery

3.0 Decision required

3.1 Panel is asked to note the key performance indicator results for the end of Quarter 1 2018/19.

4.0 Detailed proposal

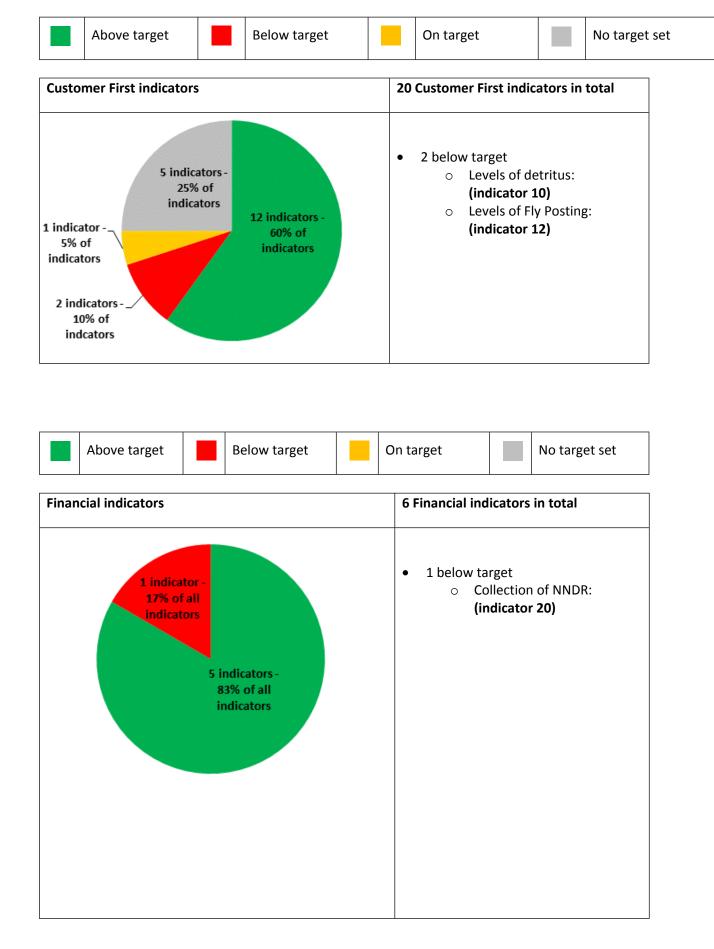
4.1 The council maintains a suite of performance indicators as one means of ensuring the council is performing to a high standard and that areas where improvement needs to be made are highlighted and appropriate action taken. These 'key' performance indicators are presented to members at Portfolio Holders meetings as well as at Overview and Scrutiny Committee (for those services still provided directly by the council) and Outsourced Services Scrutiny Panel (for those services now provided by an external organisation or through the lead authority model). The vast majority of indicators are now scrutinised by Outsourced Services Scrutiny Panel.

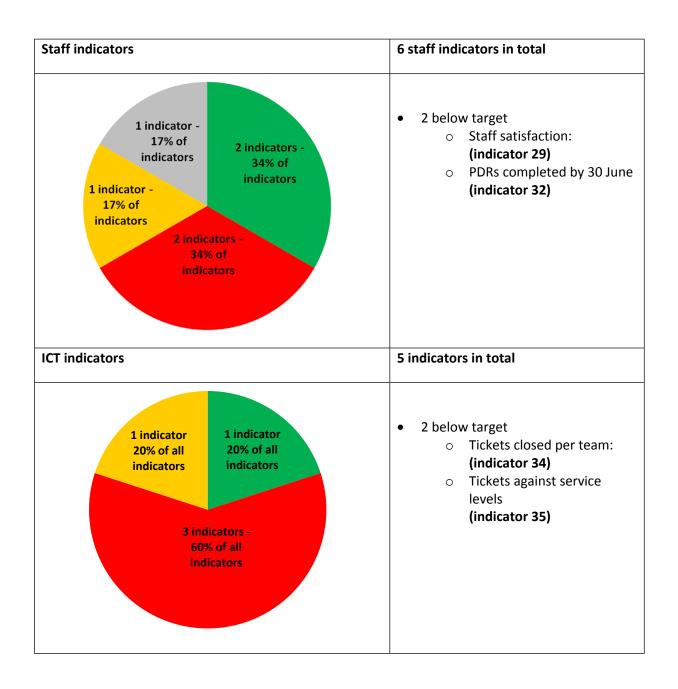
4.2 Benchmarking

One of the significant challenges that the council faces in terms of assessing its performance is the lack of national benchmarking information in many areas. This has been the case since the ending of the national performance regime. Without the rigour of the national framework it can be difficult to both assess which indicators best measure what is important to overall organisational performance and to assess how we are doing compared to others. However, the government does publish a range of the returns that are required of local authorities (such as for planning, housing and revenues and benefits) and the council is in a local benchmarking group for waste and recycling. Where possible benchmarking is provided although there is a time lag of at least a quarter i.e. for this report Q4 2017/18 results are benchmarked

in most cases rather than Q1 2018/19.







4.4 Areas to note from the report

- Benefits performance continues to show improvement (Indicators 1 and 2)
- For **Indicator 1**, Watford BC and Three Rivers DC were top performers in Hertfordshire during Q4 2017/18. This emphasises the steady improvements achieved by the service in recent years
- Parking indicators (indicators 3, 4, 5) Panel to note this service is now provided by NSL Ltd. The contract started on 9 April 2018
- Residual household waste per household and recycling rates have continued to perform strongly in Quarter 1 (Indicators 6, 7 and 8)
- 12 Green Flags have been achieved the highest for any district in Hertfordshire (Indicator 13)
- New indicators on swimming lesson take up (Indicators 16 and 19) have been included for this year

- NNDR collection (Indicator 25) was below target for Q1 but the service reports is now back on target
- Staff sickness continues to be above target (meaning a result lower than the target set (Indicator 27)

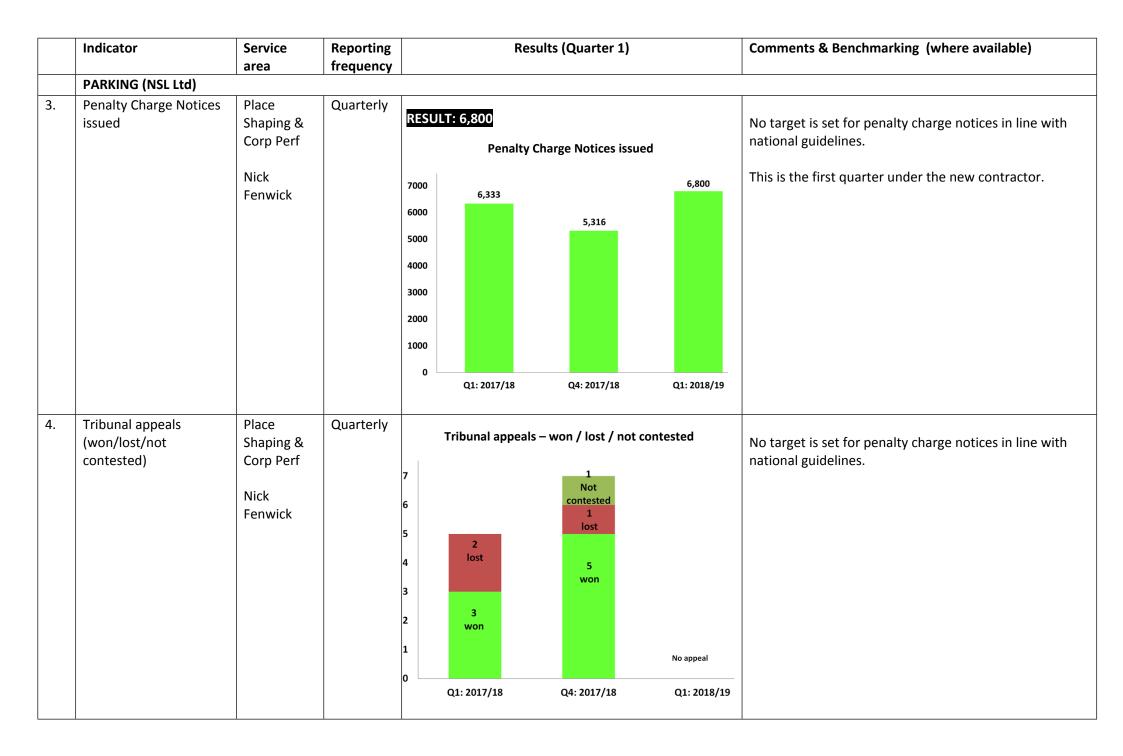
<u>Appendices</u>

Appendix A – Key Performance Indicators 2018/19: End of Q1- outsourced services

I. CUSTOMER FIRST INDICATORS

	Indicator	Service area	Reporting frequency	Results (Quarter 1)	Comments & Benchmarking (where available)		
	BENEFITS (Three Rivers D	C – lead autho	rity)				
1.	Average time to process new housing benefits claims (from date of	Revenues & Benefits Jane Walker	Monthly	RESULT: 12 days Benefit processing: new claims	Above target:		
	receipt to date processed) A low result is good for this indicator			18 16 days 15 days TARGET: 15 days TARGET: 15 days	Benchmarking: Herts & England performance: Q4 2017/18 (January – March)		
	this indicator			14 12 days	Speed of processing: new claims (average for Q4)		
					12 days	Total days	
				10	Watford 11		
				8	Three Rivers 11		
				6	Welwyn Hatfield 16		
					St Albans 17		
				4	East Herts 18		
				2	North Herts 18		
				0	Dacorum 19		
				Q1: 2017/18 Q4: 2017/18 Q1: 2018/19	Stevenage 19		
					Broxbourne 21		
					Hertsmere 22		
				* The Q4 2017/18 is the cumulative end of year result	England (average) 22		
				– Q4 result alone was 11 days.	Hertfordshire (average) 17		
					England (best) 4		
					Watford BC and Three Rivers DC are shown as performing best in Hertfordshire for new claims.		

	Indicator	Service	Reporting	Results (Quarter 1)				Comments & Benchmarking (whe	ere available)							
2.	Average time to process change of circumstances (from date of receipt to date processed)	ge of Benefits mstances (from of receipt to date Jane Walker essed) v result is good for	ess Revenues & Monthly Benefits RESULT: 6 days					5	Above target: Target for 2018/19 and Q1: 9 days Benchmarking: Herts & England performance:							
	A low result is good for this indicator			10	9 c	ays		9 days	TARGET:	9 days	Q4 2017/18 (January – March) Speed of processing: change in c					
				6					e	6 days	East Herts North Herts	2 2				
								4			St Albans Hertsmere Three Rivers	2 3 3				
								2							Watford Dacorum Stevenage	3 4 4
									0	Q1: 2)17/18	(24: 2017/18	Q1:	: 2018/19	Welwyn Hatfield Broxbourne
							e Q4 20 4 result a				end of year	result	England (average) Hertfordshire (average) England (best)	4 3 1		

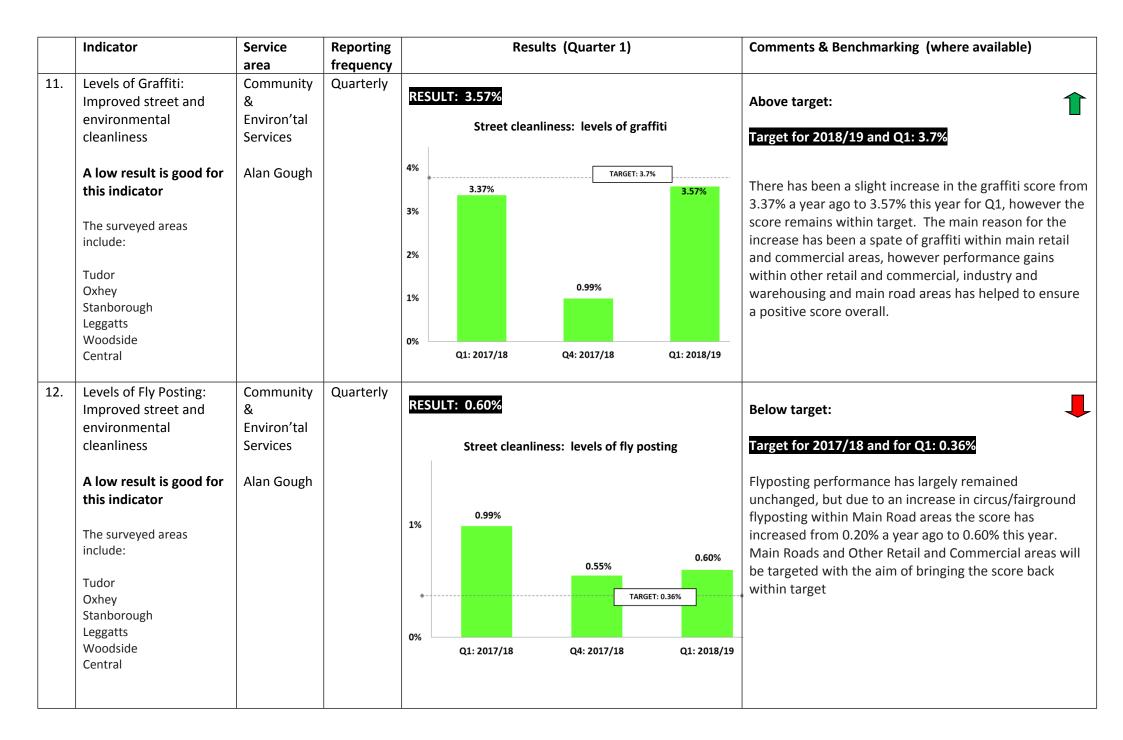


	Indicator	Service	Reporting	Results (Quarter 1)	Comments & Benchmarking (where available)
		area	frequency		
5.	Reasons for appeals lost	Place	Quarterly		
		Shaping &			There were no appeals in Q1.
	(narrative measure)	Corp Perf			
		Nick			
		Fenwick			



	Indicator	Service	Reporting	Results (Quarter 1)	Comments & B	enchmarking	(where availa	able)
		area	frequency					
					Authority	2017/18 outturn	2016/17 outturn	change from 2016/17
					Three Rivers	62.4%	61.9%	0.5%
					St Albans	59.5%	57.5%	2.0%
					North Herts	57.5%	58.9%	-1.4%
					Dacorum	52.5%	51.1%	1.5%
					East Herts	49.4%	51.5%	-2.1%
					Watford	44.3%	42.9%	1.5%
					Hertsmere	43.6%	43.4%	0.2%
					Welwyn Hatfield	43.4%	53.0%	-9.6%
					Broxbourne	41.8%	41.1%	0.6%
					Stevenage	38.3%	39.8%	-1.4%
8.	Recycled household kerbside collection services (Veolia contract target) A high result is good for this indicator	Community & Environ'tal Services Alan Gough	Quarterly	RESULT: 51.49% Waste recycled and composted (contractual target) 60% 40% 30% 20% 10% Q1: 2017/18 Q4: 2017/18 Q1: 2017/18	Below target Target for 2018 The result for Q result in the yea	1 tends to be	the highest p	-

	Indicator	Service area	Reporting frequency	Results (Quarter 1)	Comments & Benchmarking (where available)
9.	Levels of Litter: Improved street and environmental cleanliness	Community & Environ'tal Services	Quarterly	RESULT: 4.17% Street cleanliness: levels of litter	Above target:
	A low result is good for this indicator	Alan Gough		4% 4.37% TARGET: 4.5% 4.17%	The litter score remains within target, decreasing from 4.37% a year ago to 4.17% this year. This is an encouraging result, with performance gains in 'Other Patail' and 'Commercial' Combined bausing land use'
	The surveyed areas include:			3% 2.78%	Retail' and 'Commercial, Combined housing land use' areas, 'Other Highways and Recreational' areas. Hot spots include main roads and industry and warehousing
	Tudor Oxhey Stanborough			2%	areas. Efforts will be directed towards the later with the aim of maintaining/improving current performance
	Leggatts Woodside Central			1%	going forward.
				0% Q1: 2017/18 Q4: 2017/18 Q1: 2018/19	
10.	Levels of Detritus: Improved street and environmental cleanliness	Community & Environ'tal Services	Quarterly	RESULT: 11.52% Street cleanliness: levels of detritus	Below target: Target for 2018/19 and Q1: 5.5%
	A low result is good for this indicator The surveyed areas include: Tudor Oxhey Stanborough Leggatts Woodside Central	Alan Gough		12% 11.83% 11.52% 10% 6.73% 6% 6.73% 4% 2% 0% Q1: 2017/18 Q4: 2017/18 Q1: 2018/19	The detritus score reflects the reliability of the current fleet of small mechanical brooms, however despite the problems, the Q1 results show a slight improvement, reducing from 11.83% this time last year to 11.52% this year. There is room for improvement in all land use areas except 'Main Retail and Commercial', where detritus levels are minimal. The main hotspots that will be targeted in order to improve scores for the next survey for these parts of Watford (Q3 in Oct-Dec) are 'High and Low Obstruction Housing', main roads, and 'other highway' areas. While the process to procure replacement mechanical brooms is ongoing, every effort will be made to improve the current situation, however mitigating measures are being reviewed in partnership with the Veolia in advance of the leafing season.

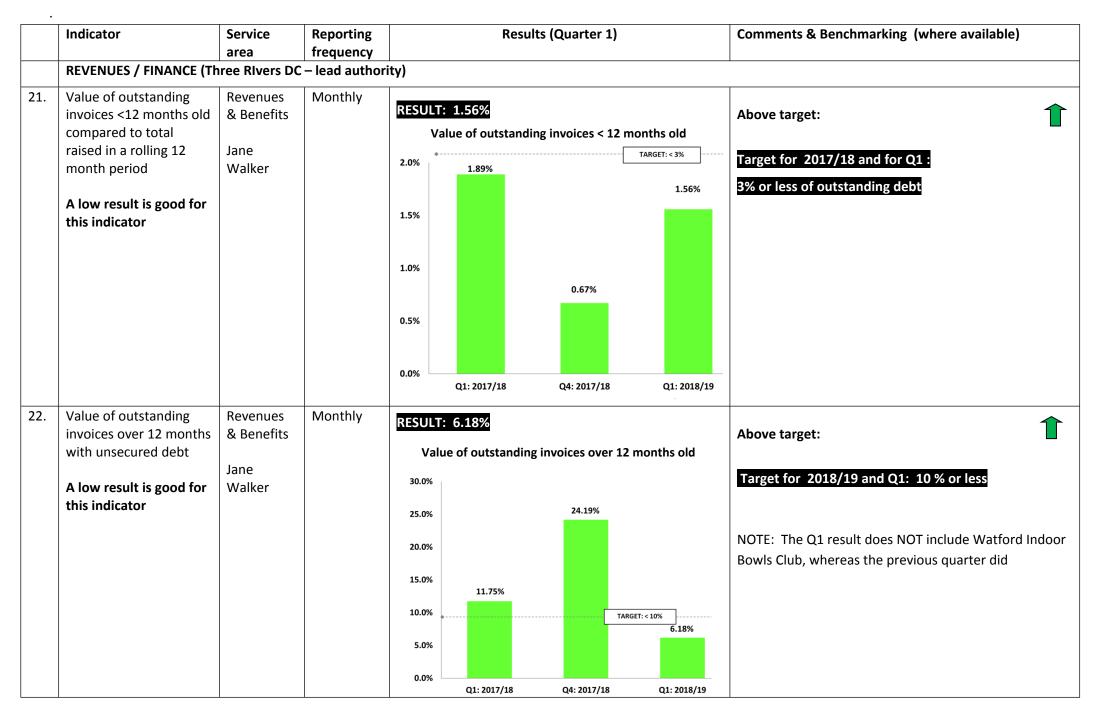




	Indicator	Service area	Reporting frequency	Results (Quarter 1)	Comments & Benchmarking (where available)
15.			RESULT: 40,297 Membership – Watford Leisure Centre Woodside	Above target:	
	Woodside A high result is good for this indicator	Services Alan Gough		5,000 TARGET: 5,000 4,844 4,000 3,000 2,000 1,000 Not available Not available 0 Q1: 2017/18 Q4: 2017/18 Q1: 2018/19	 Target for 2018/19 and for Q1: 5,000 Membership remains relatively consistent. Promotional offers being considered to drive additional membership. Previous figures are not available as Everyone Active is now reporting this figure on a quarterly not cumulative basis.
16.	Watford Leisure Centre - Woodside - swimming lessons take up	Community & Environ'tal Services	Quarterly	RESULT: 2,504 Watford Leisure Centre Woodside – swimming lesson take up	No target set for this year – the year will be used to baseline and set future targets.
		Alan Gough		2,500 2,000 1,500 1,000 500 New indicator for 2018/19 0 Q1: 2017/18 Q4: 2017/18 Q1: 2018/19	

	Indicator	Service area	Reporting frequency	Results (Quarter 1)	Comments & Benchmarking (where available)		
17.	Throughput of Watford Leisure Centre: Central A high result is good for	Community & Environ'tal Services	Community & Environ'tal	Community & Environ'tal	Quarterly	RESULT: 107,999 Throughput – Watford Leisure Centre Central	Above target: Target for 2018/19: 420,00 Target for Q1: 105,000
	this indicator	Alan Gough		100,000 107,999 80,000 60,000 40,000 20,000 Not available Not available	Previous figures are not available as Everyone Active is now reporting this figure on a quarterly not cumulative basis.		
				Q1: 2017/18 Q4: 2017/18 Q1: 2018/19			
18.	Membership of Watford Leisure Centre: Central A high result is good for this indicator	Community & Environ'tal Services	Quarterly	RESULT: 3,018 Membership – Watford Leisure Centre Central 3,500 3 000	Above target:		
		Alan Gough		3,000 TARGET: 3,000 2,500 2,000 1,500 1,000	Previous figures are not available as Everyone Active is now reporting this figure on a quarterly not cumulative basis.		
				500 Not available Not available			
				Q1: 2017/18 Q4: 2017/18 Q1: 2018/19			

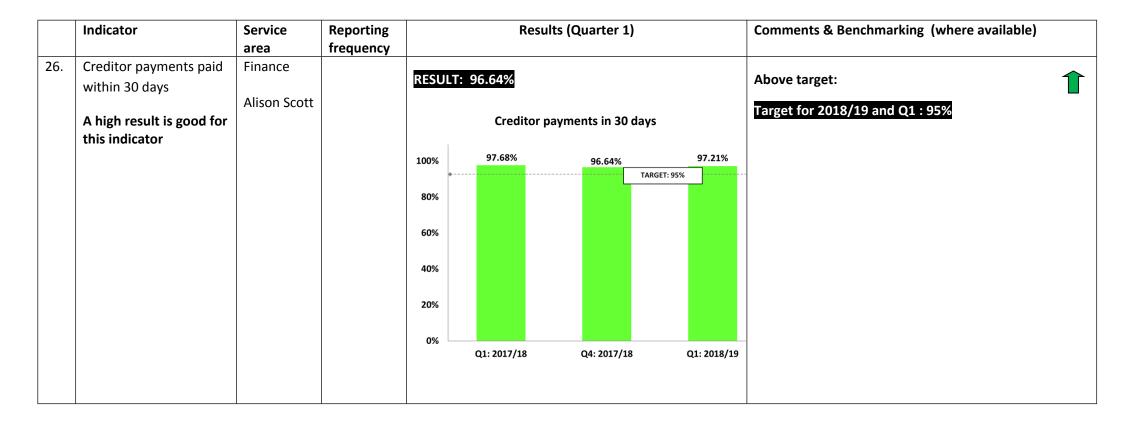
	Indicator	Service area	Reporting frequency	Results (Quarter 1)	Comments & Benchmarking (where available)					
19.	Watford Leisure Centre – Central - swimming lessons take up	e Community & Environ'tal Services Alan Gough	& Environ'tal	& Environ'tal	& Environ'tal	& Environ'tal	& Environ'tal	Quarterly	RESULT: 1,267 Watford Leisure Centre Central – swimming lesson take up	No target set for this year – the year will be used to baseline and set future targets.
20				1,400 1,267 1,200 1,000 800 600 400 200 New indicator for 2018/19 0 Q1: 2017/18 Q4: 2017/18 Q1: 2018/19						
	performances: Watford		Environ'tal	RESULT: 36	Above target:					
	A high result is good for this indicator	Alan Gough		36 35 •34 30 25	Target for Q1: 35					
				20 15 10	The management company – HQ Theatres – is focusing on higher quality performances, which is why there has been a drop since 2015/16.					
				5	The council meet with the Colosseum management on a quarterly basis and review the programme based on a					
				0 Q1: 2017/18 Q4: 2017/18 Q1: 2018/19	full year's statistics.					



Indicator	Service	Reporting	Results (Quarter 1)			Comments & Benchmarking (where available)					
	area	frequency									
% payment classified as 'LA error'	Revenues & Benefits	Monthly	RESULT		nents: LA error		Above target:				
A low result is good for this indicator	Jane Walker		0.6% 0.5% 0.4% 0.3%	0.45%	0.34%	TARGET: < 0.54%	Target for 2018/19 and Q1 0.54% or lessLA error arises when we make a mistake and/or we have been slow in processing changes resulting in overpayments. If the overall LA error rate is :>0.54%NIL subsidy received on overpayments caused by LA error<0.54>0.48%40% subsidy received on overpayments				
	0.2% 0.1% 0.0%										caused by LA error <0.48% 100% subsidy received
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	Indicator	Service area	Reporting frequency		F	Results (Quarter 1)		Comments & Benchmarking	(where available)														
24.	Collection rates of council tax	Walker	Monthly	RESULT	28.70%			Above target:	1														
	A high result is good for this indicator NB: we are aware that councils are not reporting this result to			35% 30%	Collec	ction rates of council tax	28.70%	Target for 2018/19: 96% Target for Q1; 28.60% Benchmarking: Herts and Engl	land performance														
	government in the same way so national benchmarking data is not necessarily sound.			25% 20% 15%				2017/18 Collection rates of council ta rate	x: in year collection														
	For example, St Albans is not submitting 'in year' performance but including collection from	n																10% 5%		Not applicable		St Albans Three Rivers Dacorum Hertsmere	98.9% 98.6% 98.4% 98.3%
	previous years. This gives a higher result		0%	Q1: 2017/18	Q4: 2017/18	Q1: 2018/19	HertsmereEast HertsNorth HertsWelwyn HatfieldWatfordBroxbourneStevenageEnglandShire districts	98.3% 98.2% 98.2% 97.8% 97.6% 97.4% 96.4% 97.1% 98.0%															

	Indicator	Service area	Reporting frequency			Results (Quarter 1)		Comments & Benchmarking	(where available)	
25.	Collection rates of NNDR	Revenues & Benefits	Monthly	RESUL	T: 29.80%			Below target:	Ļ	
	A high result is good for this indicator See above for benchmarking comment				35% 30% 25% 20% 15% 10%	32.0%	ollection rates of NNDR	29.8%	Target for 2018/19 : 97% Target for Q1: 32% Benchmarking: Herts and Englishing: Herts and Englishing: 2017/18 Collection rates of NNDR: i Welwyn Hatfield Hertsmere North Horts	n year collection rate Total 99.6% 99.6%
				5% 0%	Q1: 2017/18	Not applicable	Q1: 2018/19	North Herts St Albans Three Rivers Watford Stevenage East Herts Broxbourne Dacorum England Shire districts The below target performance late payments that have now is back on track for the year.		



IV. STAFF INDICATORS

	Indicator	Service area	Reporting frequency		Comments & Benchmarking (where available)	
-	Human Resources (Watford BC– lead authority)					
27.	Sickness absence (working days lost per employee, rolling 12 month rate) A low result is good for this indicator	Human Resources Terry Baldwin	Monthly	Sickness absence 6 5 4.83 days 4.06 days	Above target:	
				2	Average days lost for district authorities: 6.40 days CIPD survey 2016 Average days lost – all sectors: 6.30 days Average days lost – public sector: 8.90 days	
28.	Staff sickness – long term / short term Narrative indicator	Human Resources Terry Baldwin	Monthly		For Q1 Short term absences triggered - 12 Long term absences triggered - 2	

	Indicator	Service area	Reporting frequency		Results (Quarter 1)		Comments & Benchmarking (where available)
29.	Staff satisfaction 1. Taken from PDRs	Human Resources	Monthly	RESULT: 7.46	Staff satisfaction		Below target
	A high result is good for this indicator	Terry Baldwin		8 7.42 7 6 5 7 4 7 1 7 0 Q1: 2017/18	Not applicable Q4: 2017/18	7.46 Q1: 2018/19	 Target for 2018/19 : 7.5 Only marginally below target for the 2017/18 PDR cycle. This result is from the PDR cycle where all staff are asked to score their satisfaction from 0-10. A slight rise on the result for last year. Update Since June 2018, additional PDRs have been completed and the satisfaction score has now been revised to 7.6. This is above target.
30.	 Staff motivation 2. Taken from PDRs A high result is good for this indicator 	Human Resources Terry Baldwin	Monthly	RESULT: 7.76 8 7.62 7	Staff motivation	7.76	Above target Target for 2018/19 : 7.5 This result is from the PDR cycle where all staff are asked to score their satisfaction from 0-10. Update
				3 2 1 0 Q1: 2017/18	Not applicable Q4: 2017/18	Q1: 2018/19	Since June 2018, additional PDRs have been completed and the motivation score has now been revised to 7.88.



V.ICT

	Indicator	Service	Reporting	Results (Quarter 1)	Comments & Benchmarking (where available)
		area	frequency		
	ICT (Watford BC– lead au	ithority)			
33.	ICT service: Missed calls to the helpdesk A low result is good for this indicator	ICT Andrew Cox	Monthly	RESULT: 3% ICT: missed calls to the helpdesk 8% TARGET: 8% 7% 6% 5% 4.3% 4% 3% 2% 3% 1% 0% Q1: 2017/18 Q4: 2017/18 Q1: 2018/19	Above target Target for 2018/19 and Q1 : 8% User phones the service desk and gets the welcome message, if the user hangs up at this point, then this is defined as "abandoned". If the user is then transferred to the on hold music, and hangs up this is defined as "missed". Total number of calls: 904 calls. 24 missed. This is an aggregated result between Watford BC and Three Rivers DC.
34.	Customer satisfaction survey (The following questions are asked in the survey and a rating of below expectations / met expectation / exceed expectations is available for users to mark against each. (1) How satisfied were you with the service you	ICT Andrew Cox	Monthly		No target set. 36 survey responses returned (June 2018): • 6% below expectations • 38% met expectations • 54% exceeded expectations • 2% blank.

	Indicator	Service	Reporting	Results (Quarter 1)	Comments & Benchmarking (where available)
	Indicator received? (2) Did our IT Support Team member communicate effectively with you? (3) Did we resolve your issue in a timely manner? (4) How professional and courteous were the IT support team members?)	Service area	Reporting frequency	Results (Quarter 1)	Comments & Benchmarking (where available)
	Narrative indicator				
35.	First time fix	ІСТ		RESULT: 37%	Below target
	(first time fix statistics are calculated by the ME system as an incident being closed 30 minutes post creation) A high result is good for this indicator	Andrew Cox		ICT: first time fix (FTF)	Target for 2018/19 and Q1: 45%First time fixes are incidents which were closed 30 minutes after being created. Walk ups or telephone calls only.

