#### **Overview and Scrutiny Committee**

#### 26 September 2019

**Report of:** Head of Corporate Strategy and Communications

Title: End of Quarter 1 2019 /20 Key Performance Indicator Report

Nature of Report For discussion and decision

#### 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 2019/20. The report, therefore, shows:
  - The result for the end of Quarter 1 (unless highlighted otherwise)
  - The results for Quarter 1 last year 2018/19 (shown in the graphs for the majority of the indicators)
  - The results for Quarter 4 2018/19 (the previous quarter) (again shown in the graphs for the majority of indicators)
  - The target that was set for 2019/20
  - Whether the indicator result is above. below or on target (shown by the green (above target), red (below target) or orange arrows (on target)

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# 2.0 Risks

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

# 3.0 DECISION REQUIRED

3.1 Committee is asked to note the key performance indicator results for Quarter 1 2019/20.

#### 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. This applies to both those services still provided directly by the council and those services now provided by an external organisation or through the lead authority model. These 'key' performance indicators are now all presented directly to Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

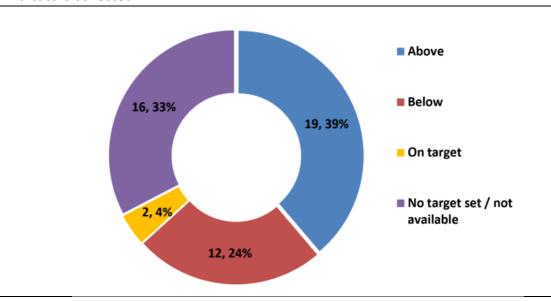
## 4.2 Analysis of performance against target

#### **All indicators**

Targets are not always appropriate for a performance indicator, such as for homelessness indicators and, therefore, have not been set for all the indicators in Appendix A. For Quarter 1, there are 16 indicators out of a total of 49 where a target has not been set. Of performance indicators where targets were set for Quarter 1:

- 19 were above target (39%)
- 12 were below target (12%)
- 2 were on target (4%)

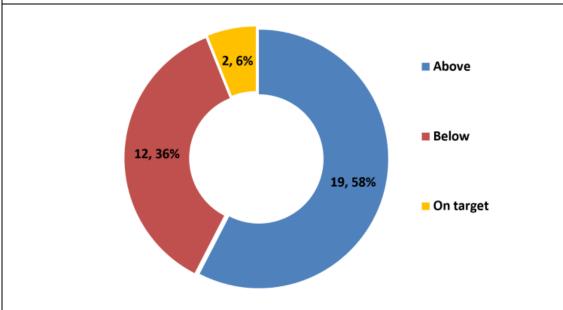
These results above and in the chart below are as a percentage of the total number of indicators collected.



### Analysis of indicators where targets were set

If we just consider the basket of indicators where targets could be set for Quarter 1 and taken them as a percentage of this total (i.e. 33indictors):

- 19 were above target (58%)
- 12 were below target (36%)
- 2 were on target (6%)



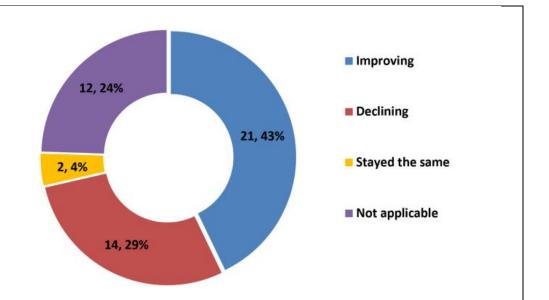
### **Analysis of performance trend**

Similarly, an analysis of performance trend can be undertaken for those indicators where this appropriate and where results are available for the previous year (2018/19).

In Quarter 1 2019/20, there were 12 indicators out of a total of 49 where it was not possible to identify a trend in performance. This could be because the indicator was not collected in the previous year or because trend analysis is not meaningful.

## **4.4** Of those indicators where performance trends can be identified:

•	21 showed an improving trend	(43%)	
•	14 showed a declining trend	(29%)	
•	2 performed at the level of last year	(4%)	
•	12 where a performance trend is not applicable	(24%)	

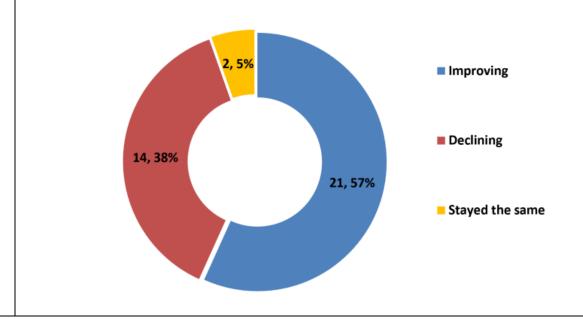


It is important to note that whilst we would want to see sustained improvement in our indicators, at some point this becomes less achievable in terms of the point reached in performance and the resource implication of continuing to demonstrate year on year improvement. However, it is also good to ensure trends are recognised in order to prevent significant performance slippage.

#### Analysis of indicators where performance trend can be identified

If we just consider the basket of indicators where performance trends can be identified and take them as a percentage of this total (i.e. 37 Indicators), for Quarter 1 2019/20:

- 21 showed an improving trend (57%)
- 14 showed a declining trend (38%)
- 2 performed at the level of last year (5%)



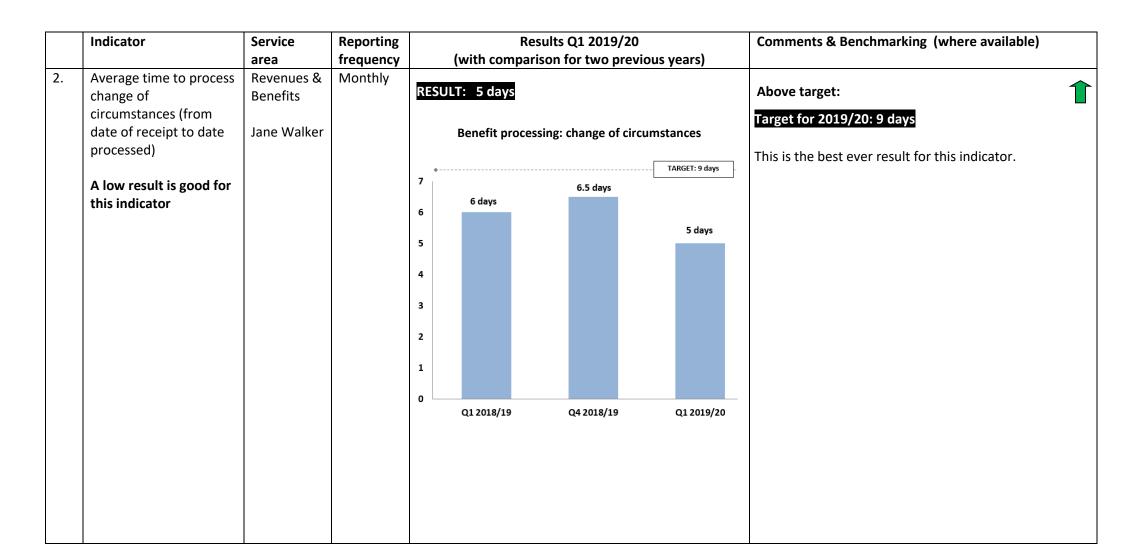
# <u>Appendices</u>

Appendix A – Key Performance Indicators 2018 /19: End of year performance indicator results

# **KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS: Quarter 1 2019/20**

## I. CUSTOMER FIRST INDICATORS

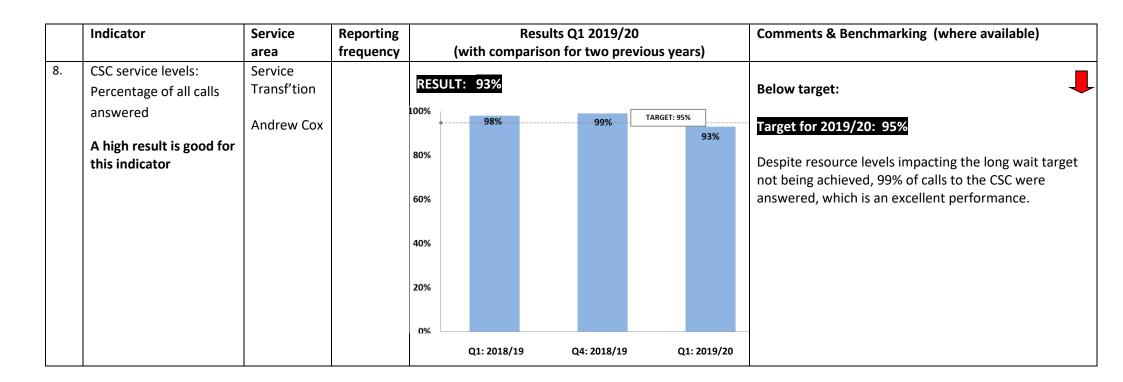
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		area	frequency	(with com	parison for two p	revious years)	
	REVENUES AND BENEFITS	S					
1.	Average time to process housing benefits claims (from date of receipt to date processed)	Revenues & Benefits  Jane Walker	Monthly	RESULT: 6 days		, aleiena	Above target:  Target for 2019/20: 15 days
	A low result is good for this indicator	Jane Walker		16 14	efit processing: nev	TARGET: 15 days	This is the best ever result for this indicator.
	this mulcator			12 days 12	11 days		
				8		6 days	
				2			
				Q1 2018/19	Q4 2018/19	Q1 2019/20	



	Indicator	Service	Reporting			Results 0			,		Comments & Benchmarking (where available)
	PLANNING:	area	frequency		(with com	parison to	or two pi	revious ye	ears)		
3.	Processing of planning applications: 'major' applications - % determined within 13 weeks	Place Shaping & Corporate Performance	Quarterly	RESU	LT: 100% Major app	lications d		d in 13 we			Above target:  Target for 2019/20: 90%
	A high result is good for this indicator	Fisher		80%	100%		100%	TARGET: 90%	100%		
				60%							
				40%							
				20%							
4.	Process of planning applications: 'minor' applications - %	Place Shaping & Corporate	Quarterly	4	Q1: 2018/1 JLT: 83% Minor ap	9 plications	Q4: 2018/19		21: 2019/20 eks		Below target:
	determined within 8 weeks	Performance Helen		100%	<b>,</b>		98%	TARGET: 92%	83%		Target for 2018/19: 92%
	A high result is good for this indicator	Fisher		60%	77%						
				40%							
				20%							
				0%	Q1: 2018/	19	Q4: 2018/1	9	Q1: 2019/20	<b>)</b>	

	Indicator	Service area	Reporting frequency		(with comp	Results Q arison fo			ars)	Comments & Benchmarking (where available)
5.	Process of planning applications: 'other' applications - % determined within 8	Place Shaping & Corporate Performance	Quarterly	RESU	LT: 87% Other appl					Below target:  Target for 2018/19: 92%
				100% 80% 60% 40%	0ther appl		98% Q4: 2018/19	TARGET: 92%	87% Q1: 2019/20	Target for 2018/19: 92%

CUSTOMER SERVICES  6. CSC - Channel mix (% contacts through each channel)  Narrative indicator whilst baseline being developed  7. Long wait calls received to CSC Long wait = calls not answered within 2 minutes  (Revenues and Benefits calls are not included)  A low result is good for this indicator  CSC - Channel mix (Pace to face: 18% web: 3.6% web:	nmarking (where available)	ars)		sults Q1 2019 ison for two p		(wi	Reporting frequency	Service area	Indicator	
(% contacts through each channel)  Narrative indicator whilst baseline being developed  Long wait calls received to CSC Long wait = calls not answered within 2 minutes  (Revenues and Benefits calls are not included)  A low result is good for this indicator  Andrew Cox  Telephone: 78.4%  Face to face: 18%  Web: 3.6%  This is to measure the dir channel mix of customer  Monthly Tesult: 22%  RESULT: 22%  % of long wait calls received  % of long wait calls received  Target for 2019/20: 6% of long wait calls received  Target for 2019/20: 6% of long wait calls received  Target for 2019/20: 6% of long wait calls received  Target for 2019/20: 6% of long wait calls received  Target for 2019/20: 6% of long wait calls received  Target for 2019/20: 6% of long wait calls received  Target for 2019/20: 6% of long wait calls received									CUSTOMER SERVICES	
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TARGET: 6% or less			I —	8%		10%				
5%		6 or less	TARGET:			5%				
0%						0%				



### II. QUALITY OF LIFE INDICATORS

	Indicator	Service	Reporting			Results	Q1 2019/20		Comments & Benchmarking (where available)
		area	frequency	(w	ith com	parison f	or two previo	ous years)	
	HOUSING:								
9.	Affordable homes completions, including social / affordable rent, affordable sales and starter homes. (Starter homes do not contribute to reduction in homeless households on the waiting list or in temporary accom.)  A high result is good for this indicator	Place Shaping & Corporate Performance Helen Fisher	Biannually						This is reported at the end of Quarter 2 and at the end of 2019/20.
10	Number of statutory homeless  A low result is good for this indicator	Place Shaping & Corporate Performance  Helen Fisher	Quarterly	RESULT: 40 35 30 25 20 15 10 5	36 Q1: 2018	3/19	25 Q4: 2018/19	11 Q1: 2019/20	No target set.

	Indicator	Service area	Reporting frequency		Comments & Benchmarking (where available)
11.	Reasons for homelessness  Narrative indicator	Place Shaping & Corporate Performance	Quarterly	No target set The reasons for homelessness among those to whom th	e council accepted a duty to house are as follows:
	Narrative mateuror	Helen Fisher		Watford BC: Homeless acceptances - top main reasons for loss of lassettled home	Q1 st Apr – Jun 19/20
				Family no longer willing or able to accommodate	4
				Domestic Abuse	2
				End of Private rented tenancy	2
				End of licensed accommodation	1
				Friends no longer will or able to accommodate	1
				Relationship with partner ended (non-violent)  Total Homeless Acceptances	11
12.	Number of households living in temporary accommodation Snap-shot at quarter end	Place Shaping & Corporate Performance	Quarterly		Above target:  Target for 2019/20: 200
	A low recult is good for	Helen		157	
	A low result is good for this indicator	Fisher		160	
				140	
				109	
				100	
				80	
				60	
				40	
				20	
				Q1: 2018/19 Q4: 2018/19 Q1: 2019/20	

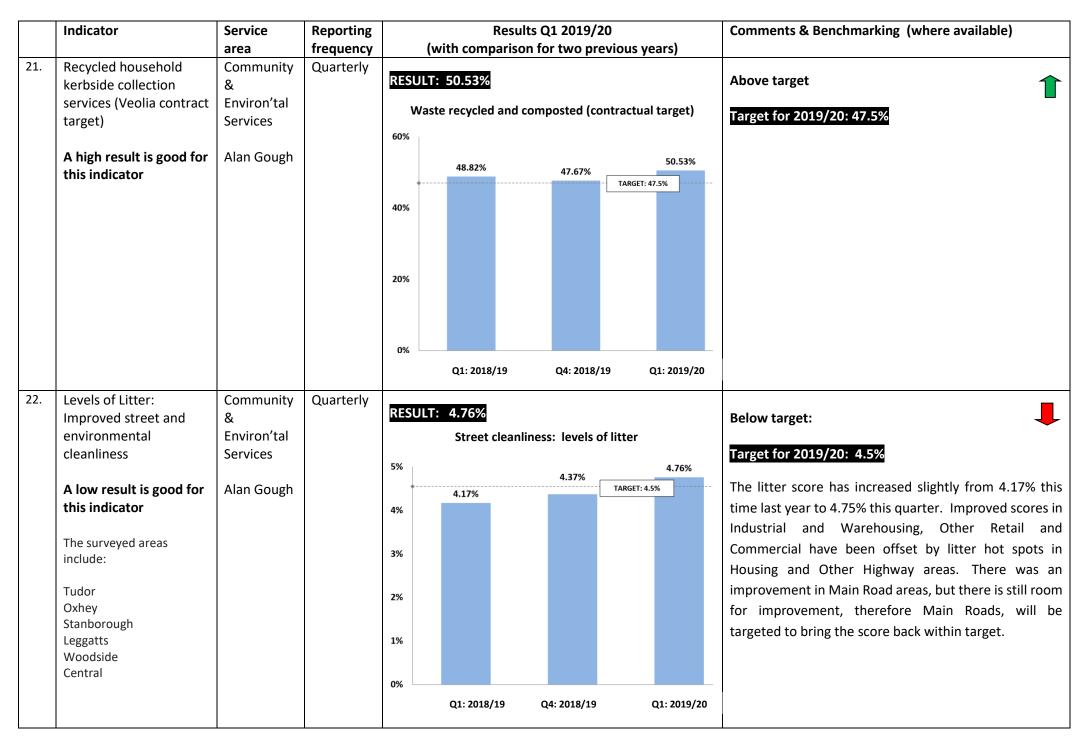
	Indicator	Service area	Reporting frequency		(w	ith com	Results (			ears)	Comments & Benchmarking (where available)
13.	Number of households living in temporary accommodation with children Snap-shot at quarter end  A low result is good for this indicator	Place Shaping & Corporate Performance Helen Fisher	Quarterly	RESI HOU 140 120 100 80 60 40	JLT:	81	-		•	th children	No target set for this indicator.  it includes pregnant women with no other dependents  The number of households living in TA with children (including expected children) at the end of June were 81 with 188 children
				0		Q1: 201	8/19	Q4: 2018/1		Q1: 2019/20	
14.	Number of households living in temporary accommodation without children Snap-shot at quarter end	Place Shaping & Corporate Performance Helen	Quarterly	RESU			temporar chi	y accomn ldren	nodation	without	No target set for this indicator.  There were 28 households in TA living without children at the end of June 2019
	A low result is good for this indicator	Fisher		30 25 20 15 10 5		Q1: 2018/	19	23 Q4: 2018/2	9	28 Q1: 2019/20	

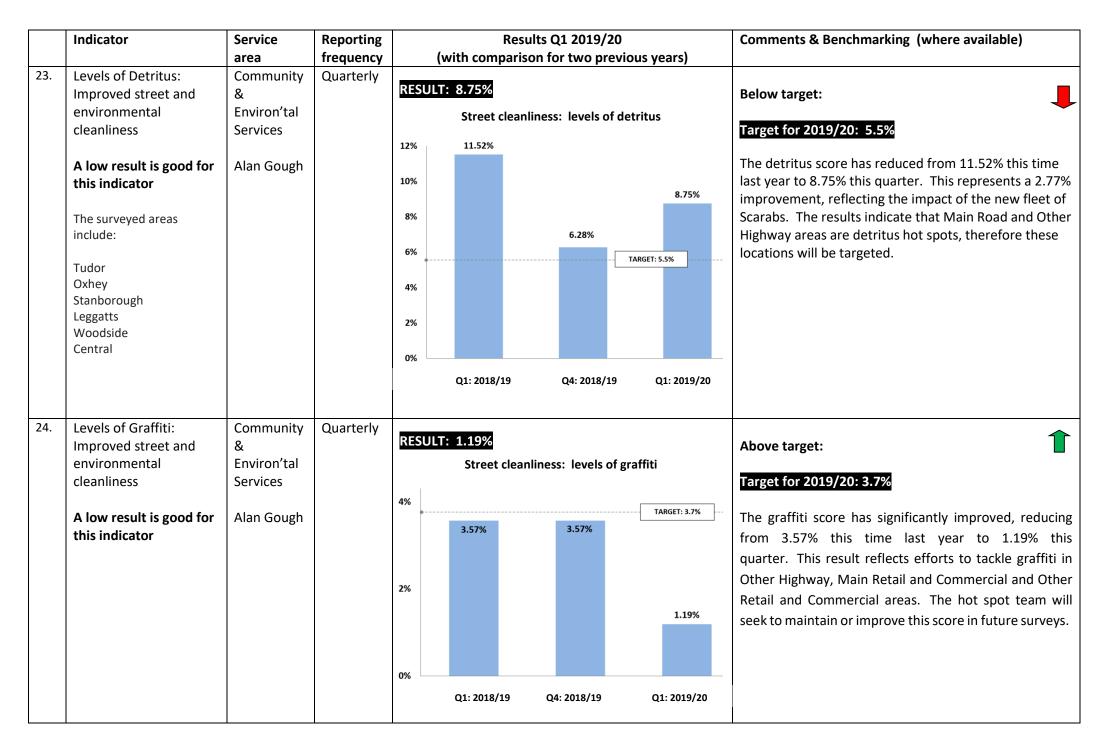
	Indicator	Service area	Reporting frequency	Results Q1 2019/20 (with comparison for two previous years)	Comments & Benchmar	king (where a	vailable)
15.	Rough sleepers within the authority area Snap shot taken on one night in November	Place Shaping & Corporate Performance	Annual		Target for 2019/20: 7 This indicator is collecte	d in November	(Quarter 3).
		Helen			Number of rough sleep	ners (2018/19)	
	A low result is good for this indicator	Fisher			Number of Tought Siccy	Total	Number per 10,000 households
					Watford	14	3.5
					Dacorum	14	2.2
					Welwyn Hatfield	13	2.7
					St Albans	11	1.9
					Stevenage	11	3.0
					North Herts	10	1.8
					East Herts	9	1.5
					Hertsmere	4	1.0
					Three Rivers	1	0.3
					Broxbourne	0	0.0
					England		2.0
					London		3.7
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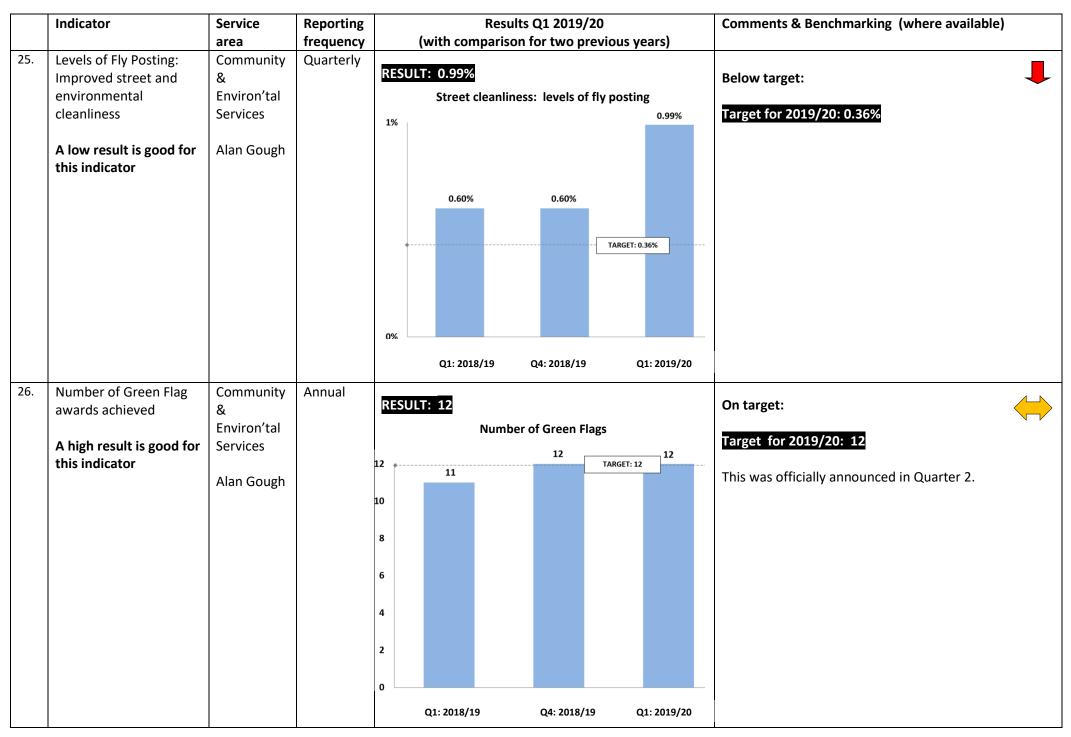
	Indicator	Service	Reporting	
		area	frequency	(with comparison for two previous years)
	PARKING:			
16.	Penalty Charge Notices issued	Place Shaping & Corp Perf	Quarterly	RESULT: 7,922  No target is set for penalty charge notices in line with national guidelines.
		Helen Fisher		7,922  RESULT:  April – 2,902  May – 2,690  June – 2,330  Q1: 2018/19  Q4: 2018/19  Q1: 2019/20
7.	Tribunal appeals (won/lost/not contested)	Place Shaping & Corp Perf Helen Fisher	Quarterly	Tribunal appeals – won / lost / not contested  Q1: 2018 /19 Q4: 2018 /19 Q1: 2018 /19 Q1: 2019 /20 Q1: 2019 0 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7

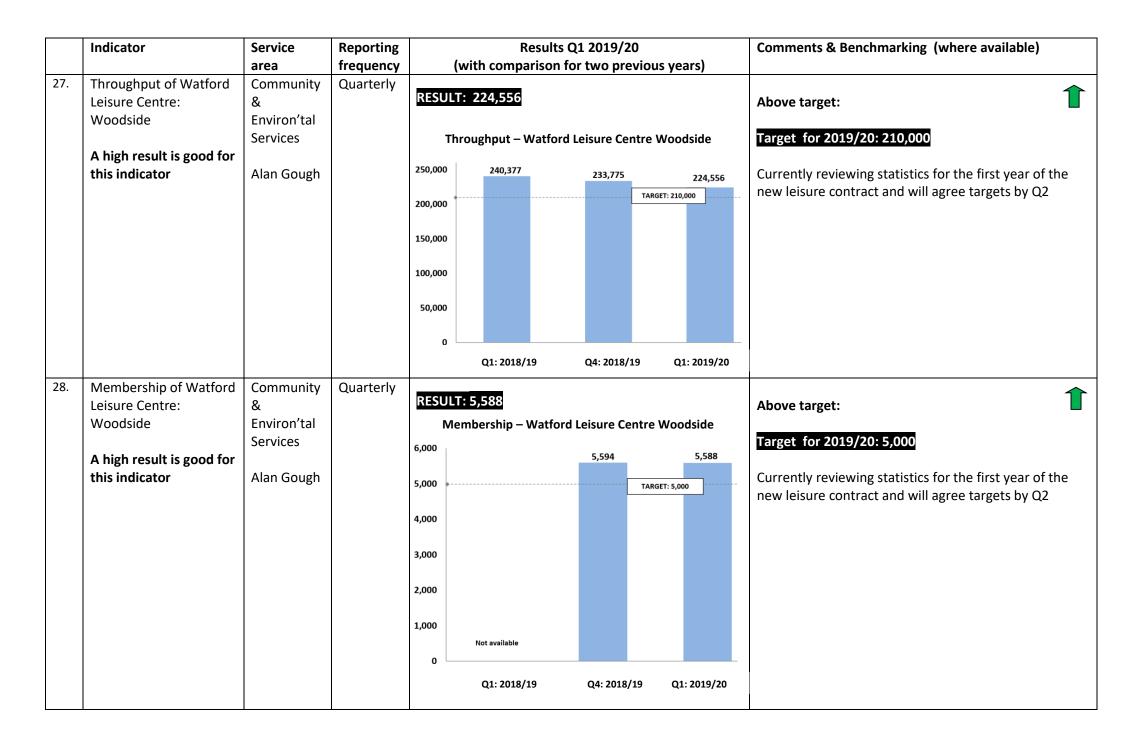
Indicator	Service area	Reporting frequency	Results Q1 2019/20 (with comparison for two previous years)	Comments & Benchmarking (where available)
18. Reasons for appeals lost (narrative measure)	Place Shaping & Corp Perf Helen Fisher	Quarterly		<ul> <li>Procedural impropriety – contravention not adequately explained in the Notice of Rejection</li> <li>Discrepancy with Traffic Regulation Order as article for mini bus bay not clearly defined.</li> <li>Adjudicator deemed hire agreement as compliant as driving licence number only required in relation to moving traffic offences (x3 appeals)</li> <li>Adjudicator not satisfied that PCN served to motorist at the time the vehicle was observed.</li> <li>Adjudicator not satisfied that contravention failing to display a valid ticket had occurred</li> </ul>

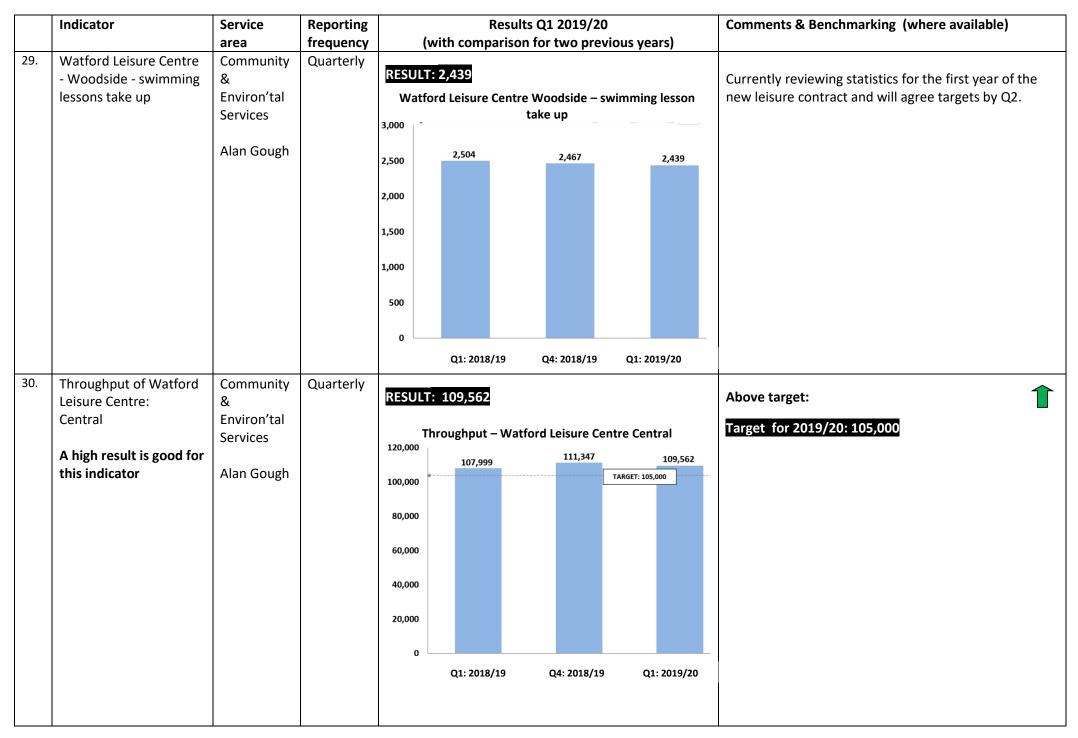
	Indicator	Service	Reporting	Results Q1 2019/20						Comments & Benchmarking (where available)
		area	frequency	(with comparison for two previous years)						
	WASTE, RECYLCLING AND	STREET CLEA								
19.	Residual household waste per household  A low result is good for this indicator	Community & Environ'tal Services Alan Gough	Quarterly	120 100 80 60 40 20	JLT: 102.75 Was 105.91kg	kg te collecte		TARGET: 112.5kg	102.75kg	Above target:  Target for 2019/20: 112.5kg  Q1 19/20 has seen an overall reduction in all waste categories when compared to the same period last year. This would indicate residents are starting to waste less - reduce is always the first message (reduce, reuse recycle)
20.	Waste recycled and composted  A high result is good for this indicator	Community & Environ'tal Services Alan Gough	Quarterly	60% 40%	Q1: 2018/ ULT: 50.32% Was: 51.30%	te recycled	Q4: 2018 I and com 47.47%	posted  TARGET: 46	50.32% 6%	Above target  Target for 2019/20: 46%

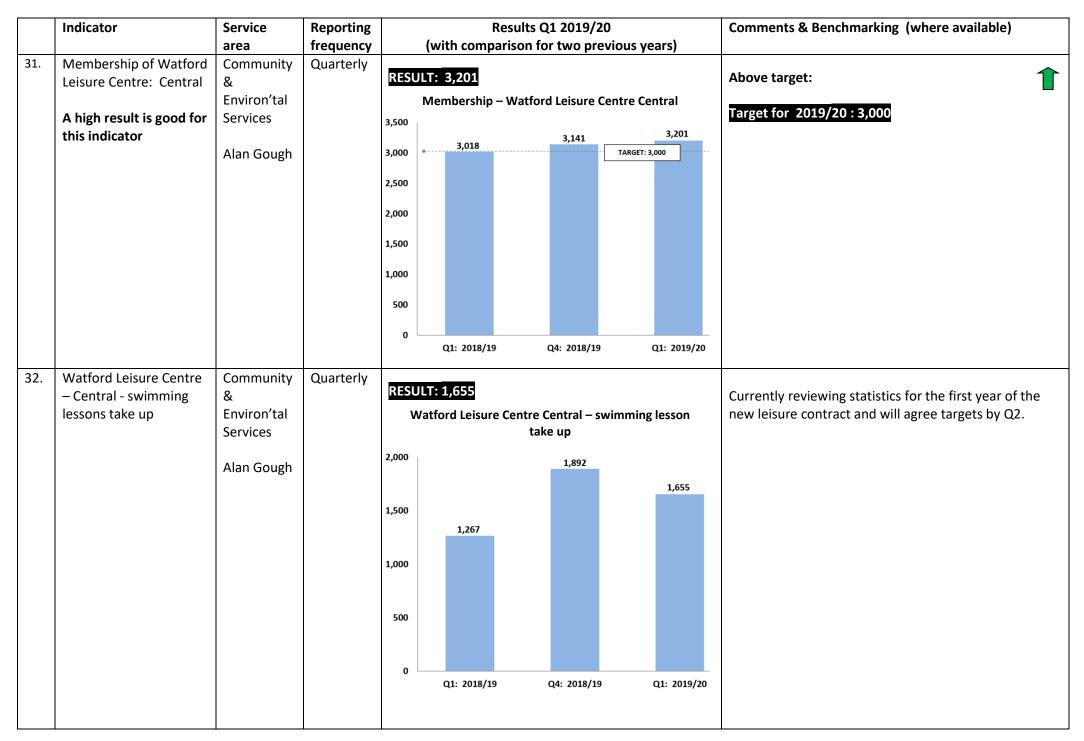








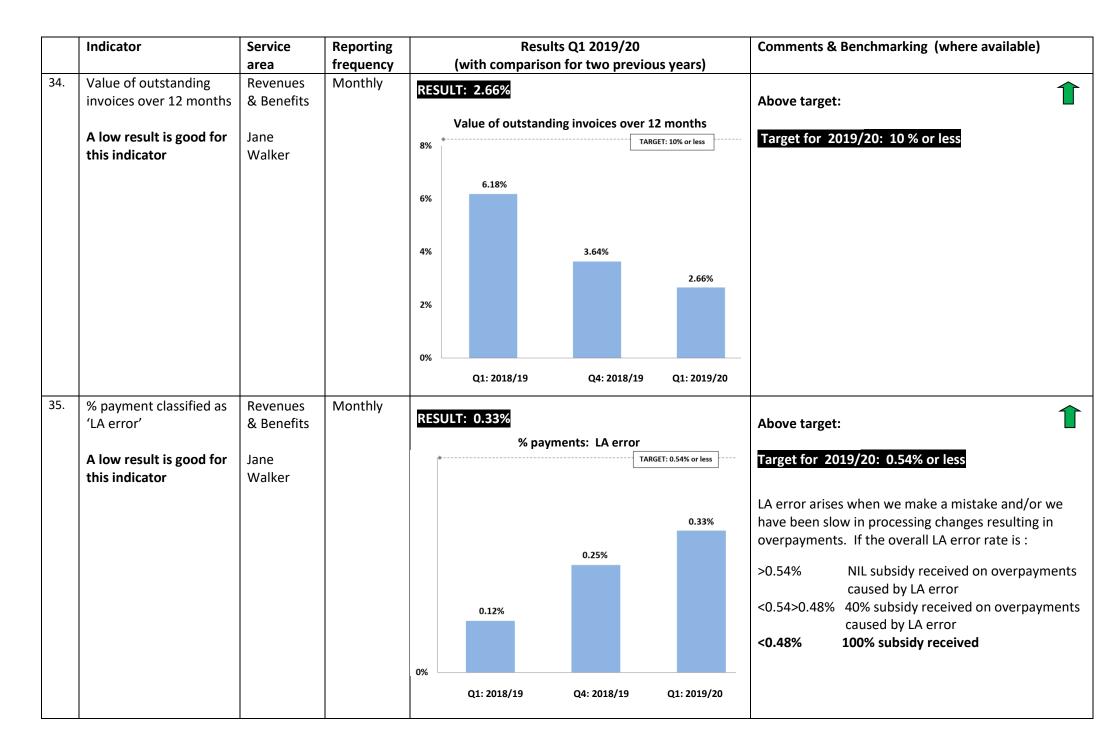




### III. FINANCIAL INDICATORS

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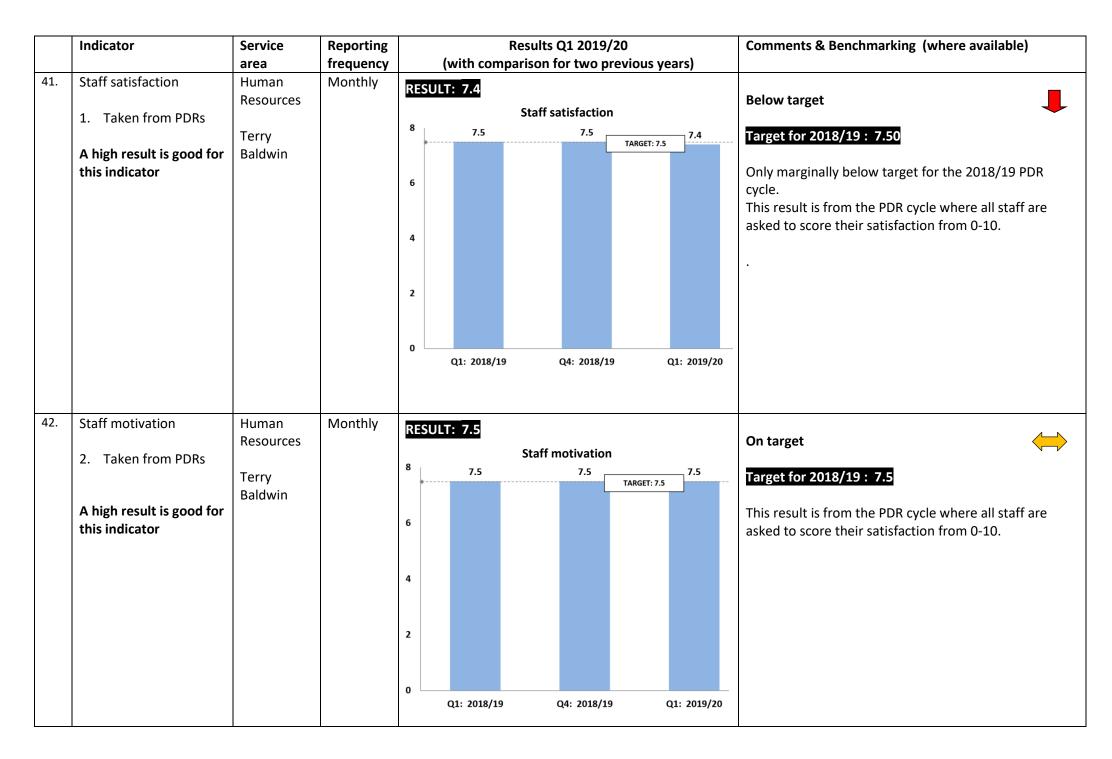
	Indicator	Service area	Reporting frequency	Results Q1 2019/20 (with comparison for two previous years)						Comments & Benchmarking (where available)
33.	Value of outstanding invoices <12 months old compared to total raised in a rolling 12 month period	Revenues & Benefits Jane Walker	Monthly	RE.		: 0.78% due of ou	tstanding	invoices <	TARGET: 3% or less	Above target:  Target for 2019/20: 3% or less
	A low result is good for this indicator			1%		2.50/				
				0%					0.78%	
						Q1: 2018/	19	Q4: 2018/	19 Q1: 2019/20	

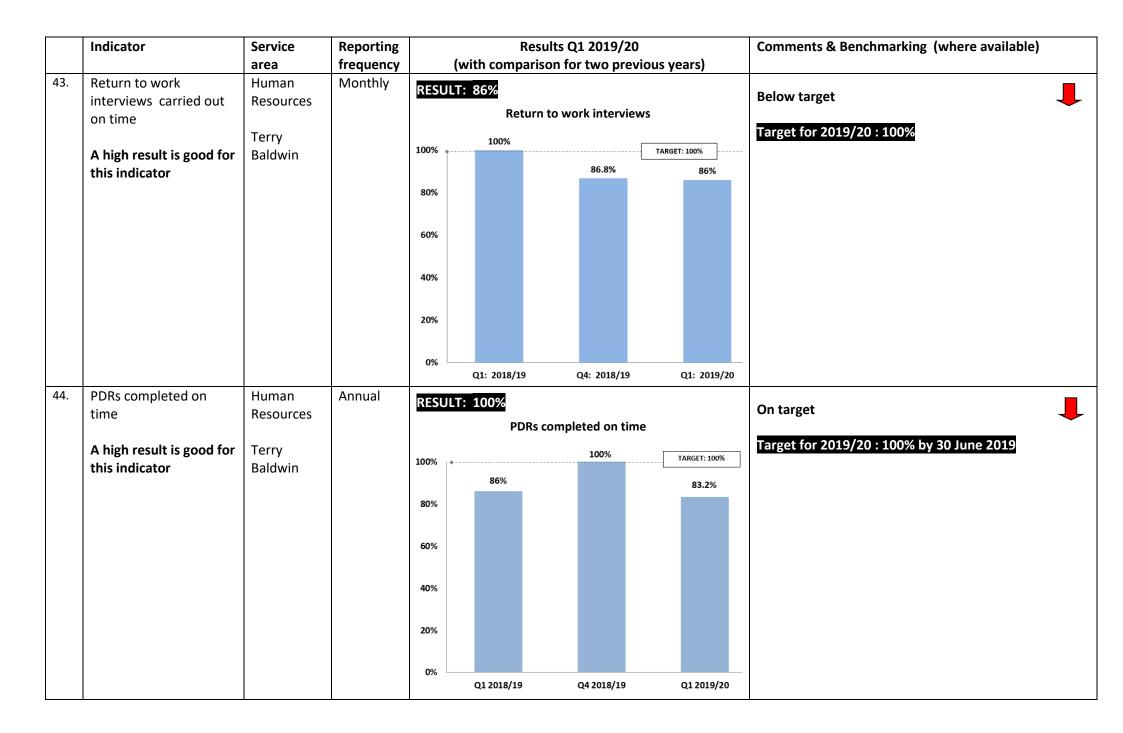


	Indicator	Service area	Reporting frequency	Results Q1 2019/20 (with comparison for two previous years)						Comments & Benchmarking (where available)
36.	Collection rates of council tax  A high result is good for this indicator	Revenues & Benefits Jane Walker	Monthly	<u> </u>	Г: 39.7%		es of coun	-	,	
37.	Collection rates of NNDR  A high result is good for this indicator  See above for benchmarking	Revenues & Benefits Jane Walker	Monthly	RESUL	<b>Γ: 41.2%</b> Col	lection r	ates of NN	DR		
38.	Creditor payments paid within 30 days  A high result is good for this indicator	Finance Alison Scott	Quarterly	100% 80% 60% 40%	Credit 96.64%  Q1: 2018/19		97.29% Q4: 2018/1	TARGET: 95	99.57% % Q1: 2019/20	Above target:  Target for 2019/20:95%

## IV. STAFF INDICATORS

	Indicator	Service area	Reporting frequency		(with com	Results Q1 20 parison for tw		s years)	Comments & Benchmarking (where available)
39.	Sickness absence (working days lost per employee, rolling 12 month rate)	Human Resources Terry	Monthly	RES	ULT: 4.95 da	ays Sickness abs	ence		Above target:  Target for 2019/20 : 5 days
	A low result is good for this indicator	Baldwin		6		5.71 c	ays	4.95 days	
				4	4.06 days				
				2					
				0					
					Q1: 2018/19	Q4: 20	8/19	Q1: 2019/20	
40.	Staff sickness – long term / short term  Narrative indicator	Human Resources Terry Baldwin	Monthly						For quarter 4 Short term absences triggered -14 Long term absences triggered - 2
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	Indicator	Service	Reporting	Results Q1 2019/20	Comments & Benchmarking (where available)
		area	frequency	(with comparison for two previous years)	
45.	ICT service: Missed calls to the helpdesk	ICT Andrew Cox	Monthly	RESULT: 5.0%  ICT: missed calls to the helpdesk	Above target  Target for 2019/20: 8%
	A low result is good for this indicator			8% TARGET: 8%  6%  4,00%  3,00%  Q1: 2018/19 Q4: 2018/19 Q1: 2019/20	Watford BC / Three Rivers DC – shared result.  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".
46.	Customer satisfaction survey  (The following questions are asked in the survey and a rating of below expectations / met expectations / exceed expectations is available for users to mark against each. (1) How satisfied were you with the service you received? (2) Did our IT Support Team member	Andrew Cox	Monthly		No target set.

	Indicator	Service	Reporting			Results (	Q1 2019/	20		Comments & Benchmarking (where available)
		area	frequency	(v	vith comp	parison f	or two pr	evious y	ears)	
	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?)  Narrative indicator									
47.	First time fix  (first time fix statistics are calculated by the	ICT Andrew Cox		RESULT		ICT: first	time fix (F	TF)		Below target  Target for 2019/20: 45%
	ME system as an incident being closed 30 minutes post creation)  A high result is good for this indicator			45% 40% 35% 30% 25% 20% 15% 10%	37%		37%	<u>T</u>	36%	First time fixes are incidents which were closed 30 minutes after being created. Walk ups or telephone calls only.  Performance is impacted by the reporting channel chosen - very low levels of walk-ups this month and a proportionally higher level of email therefore reducing the number of tickets where this could be achieved.
				0%	Q1: 2018/1	19	Q4: 2018/19	)	Q1: 2019/20	

