

Blackburn with Darwen Borough Council, Corporate Plan, Key Performance Indicators 2019/2020 – Environment Portfolio

Priority	Performance measure	Department	Chief officer	Good performance is	Baseline	19/20 target	Half year performance and rating	Year-end performance and rating
P5 – Safe and clean environment We will: » work with our residents, schools and businesses to raise awareness of the positive environmental and financial impacts of recycling. » work with communities, environmental organisations and groups to help keep neighbourhoods clean and tidy. » continue to invest in our roads and pavements to make sure they are safer. » work with our citizens and businesses to promote behaviours, using enforcement action where necessary and in the best interest of public protection.	1. Increase in number of your call community litter pickers	Environment & Operations	Martin Eden Tony Watson Stuart Hammond	Higher	820	900	1,276 Volunteers (GREEN)	By end of December 2019
	Comments: The number of litter picking volunteers has exceeded the numbers expected this year, with the interest still being drawn from the Keep Darwen Tidy and Keep Blackburn Tidy Facebook pages.							
	2. Increase number of S80 prosecutions for enviro-crime offences	Environment & Operations	Martin Eden Tony Watson Mark Wilde	Higher	28	80	63 S80 prosecutions (GREEN)	By end of December 2020. Also had 47 PDPA cases and 23 CPNs served
	Comments: A delay in the commencement of the agreement to use a specialist lawyer has seen a slight reduction in the number of prosecution cases expected to be taken through the courts in Quarters 1 and 2. There were 23 cases in Q1 and Q2 and there are a further 18 listed in court to be heard. However, it is anticipated that we will achieve the annual target of 80 prosecutions by the end of the financial year.							
	3. Increase the household recycling rate	Environment & Operations	Martin Eden Tony Watson Stuart Hammond	Higher	28%	30%	Q2: 31.1%. Q3 data not available from Govt. until 6 months after the Q2 end. (GREEN)	Council will be launching a marketing and comms campaign in April to persuade, inform and educate residents about the benefit of recycling
	Comments: The recycling rate for the borough has plateaued over the last 12 months and efforts to address recycling are being taken by the council’s Waste Programme Board. This includes a waste and recycling campaign, raising awareness, waste minimisation, contamination of recycling being tackled as well as the introduction at the end of Q2 of the new post of Environmental Education Officer post to work with the community on waste and environmental education.							
	4. Reduce waste to landfill	Environment & Operations	Martin Eden Tony Watson Stuart Hammond	Lower	50%	40%	Q3: 45%	From 1 April 20, 70% diversion from landfill in new waste contract.
	Comments: Waste tonnage sent to landfill has reduced during 2019/20. In Jan 2020 no waste went to landfill, if this trend continues, just 35% of our waste will go the landfill by Year end.							
	5. Private rented sector homes, which have been inspected and have had Cat 1 and 2 hazards removed	Environment & Operations	Martin Eden Gary Johnson	Higher	371 Category 1 & 2 hazards removed (2018/19)	250 Category 1 & 2 hazards removed	134 (GREEN)	
	Change to measure name agreed.							
Comments: CPO properties that have been purchased, resold and refurbished by new owners to an agreed level removes Cat 1 and 2 hazards.								
Note: <ul style="list-style-type: none">2019/20 target reduced by a third in line with EHO inspecting staff loss.Measures name changed to Private rented sector homes, which have been inspected and have had Cat 1 and 2 hazards removed								
6. Unlicensed properties identified and licensed, and audit/inspections undertaken.	Environment & Operations	Martin Eden Gary Johnson	Higher	370 licences issued 144 inspected (2018/19)	150 licences 200 audits/inspections	104 audited/inspected 88 licenses issued (AMBER)		
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Comments: The inspection element of this PI is OK, as we expect to do more inspection/audit work this year. However, as we do not expect to designate another selective licensing area this year, we will be unable to issue the targeted number of licences – we are investigating unlicensed properties to and have identified 46 unlicensed properties in Infirmary SLA to date.								