



**Bolsover District Council**  
**Council Ambition Performance Update – Q2 – July to September 2020**


**Status key**

<b>Target Status</b>	Usage
 On Track	The target is progressing well against the intended outcomes and intended date.

**Aim: Our Customers – Providing excellent and accessible services**

Council Target	Directorate	Status	Q2 2020/21 Progress Update	Target Date
CUS.04 - Work with partners to deliver the Sustainable Communities Strategy and publish an evaluation report annually	Corporate Resources	On track	 Delivery against the SCS continues through the Thematic Action Groups which have continued to meet electronically during the pandemic. Naturally focus has shifted slightly to accommodate community needs during this time.	Sun-31-Mar-24

**Aim: Our Economy – by driving growth, promoting the District and being business and visitor friendly**

Council Target	Directorate	Status	Q2 2020/21 Progress Update	Target Date
ECO.01 - Deliver a Business Growth Strategy by March 2021 that will support enterprise, innovation, jobs and skills and makes the best use of our assets.	Development	On track	 Work on refreshing the Council's economic recovery plan has taken place over the last quarter. This work feeds into the business growth strategy because it contains a number of actions that are intended to support enterprise, innovation, jobs and skills alongside making best use of our assets. The next steps are to complete any outstanding actions related to recovery from the first lockdown and move towards actions aimed at supporting business resilience through further lockdowns / restrictions and Brexit alongside implementing our medium term objectives. These actions will form the foundations of the longer term business growth strategy aimed at securing sustainable and inclusive growth throughout the District.	Wed-31-Mar-21

Council Target	Directorate	Status	Q2 2020/21 Progress Update	Target Date
ECO.02 - Optimise business growth (as measured by gross Business Rates) by £2m by March 2023.	Corporate Resources	On track	Outturn Q2 2020/21 £65,166,356, Baseline (Outturn 2019/20) £65,445,968 = difference - £279,612 (-0.43%).	Fri-31-Mar-23
ECO.03 - Working with partners to bring forward employment and development opportunities at Coalite and Clowne Garden Village strategic sites by 2023.	Development	On track	Coalite: The developers of the former Coalite site have recently received a £15.25 million joint loan from The South Yorkshire Pension Fund and SCR JESSICA Fund. The debt facility will support the development of infrastructure for the scheme.  Clowne Garden Village: Highways England and Derbyshire County Council have recently refreshed their guidance on the required highway improvements at J30 of the M1 and the 'Treble Bob' roundabout. Further work is now required by the developer to allow the discussion on the phasing and delivery of the required highway works to progress.	Sun-31-Mar-
ECO.04 - Prepare and adopt new Housing Strategy by January 2021.	Environment	On track	Housing Strategy is being developed and is going to November Growth Scrutiny Committee. The timetable has slipped by a month and it will be ready for adoption in February 2021	Sun-31-Jan-21
ECO.05 - Annually review housing delivery in the district and facilitate delivery to meet the annual target of 272 new homes	Environment	On track	The survey work that underpins the information is collected on an annual basis (usually end of March / beginning of April) and so we don't currently have a figure to provide on a quarterly basis. However, from an informal monitoring of the number of houses being built by developers on approved sites across the District, progress is being made on sites and this indicates that we are on track to meet the annual target when we report comprehensively on this Q1 2021/22.	Sun-31-Mar-24
ECO.06 - Work with partners to deliver an average of 20 units of affordable homes each year.	Development	On track	The final figure for 2019/20 was revised upwards to 38 affordable homes brought forward, once all the information was collated. The original reported figure was 28 affordable homes	Sun-31-Mar-24



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			We are aware of 8 affordable housing completions in quarter one of the current year and a further 5 in quarter two, so at mid-year this indicator is on target	
ECO.07 - Deliver 150 new homes through the Bolsover Homes Programme by March 2024	Development	On track	Contracts are signed for the Whitwell Cluster comprising of Doles Lane, Bakestone Moor, Longcroft View and Claylands Rd (2) and construction is beginning in a phased approach on the 12th October 2020. The cluster will deliver 16 properties. Planning permission has been granted on the Sandy Lane/Thorpe Avenue scheme at Whitwell and detailed design is ongoing with a target of starting on site early in 2021. Housing management are working with the remaining tenants to identify decant/permanent property moves. A list of schemes has been collated and Phase 1 & 2 investigation reports are due to be carried out over the next few months with priority sites identified to follow on.	Sun-31-Mar-24
ECO.10 - Working with partners to grow the visitor economy, the number of tourists and the amount of tourism spending in the District by 2023.	Development	On track	Work is continuing on revisions to the draft tourism strategy; primarily work on an accessibility chapter is being completed.  A significant amount of work is being carried out on the draft cycling infrastructure strategy; this should be ready to go out to consultation before the end of 2020.	Fri-31-Mar-23

**Aim: Our Environment – protecting the quality of life for residents and businesses, meeting environmental challenges and enhancing biodiversity**






Council Target	Directorate	Status	Q2 2020/21 Progress Update	Target Date
ENV.07 - Prepare and adopt a new Empty Property Strategy by January 2021 to support the Council's vision to bring empty properties back into use.	Development	On track	A 1st draft has been written and this is due to be consulted with Members at scrutiny on 23 October 2020. The strategy is on target to be completed for early 2021.	Sun-31-Jan-21
ENV.08 - Bring 5 empty properties back into use per year through assistance and enforcement measures.	Development	On track	<p>Action Housing are progressing with the work on the Old Co-op building in Whitwell. There have been some delays due to issues with the water authority - however these have now been resolved and it is expected that the building will be ready for reoccupation before the end of the year. This will provide 5 units of affordable accommodation.</p> <p>The Empty Property Officer continues to work with Environmental Health and Planning Enforcement to take action on 4 properties and bring them back into use through enforcement measures. It is expected that the enforcement process will conclude over the next 12 months on each of these properties. 1 property is in the process of being considered for a Compulsory Purchase Order and approval is being sought from the executive team to carry out a structural survey on the property, due to its poor condition.</p> <p>2 further properties have been referred to Action Housing for their leasing scheme which - if appropriate - will provide a further 2 units of affordable accommodation.</p> <p>A long term empty property in Palterton has begun the process of being brought back into use with the assistance of an energy company, this is as a result of intervention from the Empty</p>	Sun-31-Mar-24

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			<p>Property Officer. The property has been empty for more than 10 years and has caused a number of issues for local residents.</p> <p>A meeting has been arranged at the end of October to discuss introducing the Council Tax Premium. This will then be consulted and implemented through the usual channels if approved. This could potentially be introduced in April 2021 and would hopefully encourage owners to bring their properties back into use, rather than leaving them empty.</p> <p>To date 1 empty property has been brought back into use, providing 2 units of affordable accommodation.</p>	

## Service Indicators

<b>Target Status</b>	Usage
 Positive outturn	The outturn is above target or positive (for some targets a positive outturn requires the result to be below the target set).
 Negative outturn	The outturn is below target or negative (for some targets a negative outturn requires the result to be above the target set).

## Planning

<b>Planning</b>	<b>Q2 Target</b>	<b>Q2 Outturn</b>	<b>Status</b>
PLA 157A Determining "Major" applications within target deadlines (Quarterly)	70%	<b>100%</b>	 On / Above Target
PLA 157B Determining "Minor" applications within target deadlines(Quarterly)	70%	<b>97%</b>	 On / Above Target
PLA 157C Determining "Other" applications within target deadlines(Quarterly)	85%	<b>100%</b>	 On / Above Target
PLA204 Quality of decision making - Appeals (special measures target) Number of appeals on "major" applications overturned on appeal as a proportion of "major" applications determined during the relevant two year period (quarterly).	10%	<b>3%</b>	 Below Target (Positive)
PLA204A Quality of decision making - Appeals (special measures target) Number of appeals on "non-major" applications overturned on appeal as a proportion of "non-major" applications determined during the relevant two year period (quarterly).	10%	<b>1%</b>	 Below Target (Positive)

## Half yearly indicators

Growth Targets	2020/21 Target	Half year Outturn	Status
Level of income generated through letting property owned by the Council but not occupied by the Council, not including Housing, The Tangent and Pleasley Vale	£235,747	Actual (122,661)	Below Target
Financial performance for the Tangent in line or exceeding budget forecast.	£66,687	Actual (7,447)	Below Target
Financial performance of Pleasley Vale Mills in line or exceeding budget forecast.	£207,047	Actual (71,280)	Below Target
Number of Business Growth Fund grants awarded	4	83	On / Above Target
Value of Business Growth Fund grants awarded	£20,000	£82,552	On / Above Target

## Exceptions

Level of income generated through letting property owned by the Council but not occupied by the Council, not including Housing, The Tangent and Pleasley Vale	Although the income looks on target this is just showing the amount of invoices raised on the Financial Management System. Some of these invoices may well not yet be paid as the financial effects of Covid continue to be revealed. We have agreed payment terms with a number of our customers to extend the amount of time they can settle their bills with us. Some may not yet have contacted us.
Financial performance for the Tangent in line or exceeding budget forecast.	The Tangent is currently under occupied and this budget will be reduced at revised budget time. These businesses are also affected by Covid and a number are facing financial difficulties. The nature of some of the expenditure such as hired + contract services and business rates mean the budget has already been committed for the full 12 months making the expenditure look overspent.

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Financial performance of Pleasley Vale Mills in line or exceeding budget forecast.	The explanation above also applies here for Pleasley Vale rents. For the electricity trading side, the lockdown meant less electricity was used by businesses because they weren't in the building which obviously means there is less to recharge. The expenditure budgets will be reduced too as part of the revised budget process in Q3.
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