

Performance stats are back

Following our leader in the last issue "Ignorance is not bliss" February saw the return of performance statistics. Their short absence saw a significant drop!

Planning applications

In April to June 2011, authorities undertaking district level planning in England received 120,600 applications for planning permission. In July to September 2011, authorities undertaking district level planning in England received 121,300 applications for planning permission.

This represents a decrease of 4 per cent compared with the corresponding quarter in 2010. In the year ending September 2011, authorities received 471,900 applications, a decrease of 2 per cent on the year ending September 2010 figure.

Planning decisions

District level planning authorities decided 109,200 planning applications in April to June 2011. In July to September 2011 authorities decided 116,100 applications, 3 per cent lower than in the same quarter in the previous year.

Applications granted

In April to June 2011, 89,000 permissions were granted. In July to September 2011, 94,200 permissions were granted, down 3 per cent on the same quarter in 2010, and 87 per cent of all decisions were granted, an increase of 1 percentage point when compared with the September quarter 2010. Overall, 84 per cent of major and minor decisions were granted.

Over the 12 months to September 2011, 350,700 applications were granted, an increase of

0.3 per cent. Overall, 83 per cent of major and minor decisions were granted.

Speed of applications

In April to June 2011, 63 per cent of major applications were processed within 13 weeks, with 57 per cent of large-scale major applications, and 64 per cent of small-scale major applications were decided within 13 weeks.

In July to September 2011, 58 per cent of major applications were processed within 13 weeks compared with 68 per cent in the September 2010 quarter.

Also, 71 per cent of minor applications and 83 per cent of other applications were processed within 8 weeks compared with 76 per cent and 86 per cent respectively for the quarter ending September 2010.

In the quarter ending September 2011, district level planning authorities decided 49 per cent of large-scale major applications, and 60 per cent of small-scale major applications within 13 weeks compared with 55 per cent and 72 per cent respectively for the quarter ending September 2010.

Also, 91 per cent of all major decisions were within 52 weeks in June to September 2011 compared with 93 per cent in the corresponding quarter of the previous year.

In the year ending September 2011, 62 per cent of major applications were processed within 13 weeks, compared with 70 per cent in the year ending September 2010. ■

Planning decisions by type, speed of

July to September 2011

Major developments

decision and district planning authority

Minor Developments

Other decisions

	Major developments					Minor Developments					Other decisions						
	Total Major Decisions	Number granted	Percentage granted	Percentage within 13 weeks	Percentage over 13 weeks	Total Decisions	Decisions made within agreed time limit	Total Minor Decisions	Number granted	Percentage granted	Percentage within 8 weeks	Percentage over 8 weeks	Percentage of major and minor decisions granted	Total Other Decisions	Number granted	Percentage granted	Percentage within 8 weeks
London	343	302	88	52	48	16	16	5,518	4,314	78	70	30	79	14,137	9,007	81	81
Barking and Dagenham	2	2	100	100	-	-	-	48	35	73	75	25	74	126	92	83	85
Barnet	13	11	85	62	38	-	-	227	189	83	65	35	83	780	526	91	75
Bexley	3	3	100	33	67	-	-	98	80	82	78	22	82	356	270	86	94
Brent	6	6	100	83	17	-	-	106	85	80	84	16	81	512	306	79	88
Bromley	25	19	76	56	44	-	-	153	108	71	58	42	71	612	382	79	76
Camden	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
City of London	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Croydon	11	10	91	36	64	-	-	260	195	75	69	31	76	442	268	78	90
Ealing	13	13	100	46	54	-	-	161	115	71	84	16	74	631	312	77	93
Enfield	8	8	100	63	38	-	-	90	65	72	64	36	74	387	230	80	86
Greenwich	21	19	90	67	33	-	-	127	100	79	87	13	80	284	187	76	96
Hackney	12	9	75	30	70	2	2	154	110	71	79	21	72	295	178	77	86
Hammersmith and Fulham	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Haringey	7	6	86	29	71	-	-	74	59	80	68	32	80	359	202	72	63
Harrow	8	8	100	50	50	-	-	121	71	59	72	28	61	556	238	57	84
Havering	4	3	75	50	50	-	-	150	109	73	72	28	73	368	254	81	86
Hillingdon	14	11	79	43	57	-	-	118	76	64	56	44	66	533	290	70	86
Hounslow	8	7	88	13	88	-	-	77	57	74	70	30	75	511	320	81	77
Islington	12	10	83	58	42	-	-	208	157	75	71	29	76	295	202	76	72
Kensington and Chelsea	4	4	100	25	75	-	-	252	191	76	59	41	76	502	372	82	60
Kingston upon Thames	3	2	67	33	67	-	-	96	66	69	59	41	69	444	269	83	87
Lambeth	19	14	74	42	58	-	-	140	106	76	63	37	75	301	167	75	81
Lewisham	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
London Thames Gate UDC	1	1	100	-	100	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100	-	-	-	-
Merton	5	4	80	60	40	-	-	86	67	78	74	26	78	423	240	78	89
Newham	5	4	80	80	20	-	-	105	71	68	92	8	68	204	106	74	98
Redbridge	6	5	83	33	67	-	-	83	52	63	52	48	64	595	343	77	75
Richmond upon Thames	2	1	50	50	50	-	-	272	218	80	69	31	80	787	473	83	80
Southwark	26	25	96	77	23	-	-	203	160	79	69	31	81	313	199	86	81
Sutton	6	6	100	67	33	-	-	74	58	78	70	30	80	262	174	88	86
Tower Hamlets	31	30	97	39	61	-	-	235	208	89	83	17	89	167	116	74	81
Waltham Forest	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wandsworth	12	9	75	67	33	-	-	281	257	91	61	39	91	650	520	96	80
Westminster	24	24	100	54	46	11	11	726	621	86	74	26	86	1,043	884	88	74

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