Growth, Economic Development and Communities Performance Dashboard

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Guidance Notes

RAG RATINGS

GREEN	Performance has met or exceeded the current target
AMBER	Performance is below the target but above the floor standard
RED	Performance is below the floor standard

Floor standards are pre-defined minimum standards set in Strategic Priority Statements and represent levels of performance where management action should be taken.

DOT (Direction of Travel)

仓	Performance has improved in the latest month/quarter
Û	Performance has fallen in the latest month/quarter
\Leftrightarrow	Performance is unchanged this month/quarter

Activity Indicators

Activity Indicators representing demand levels are also included in the report. They are not given a RAG rating or Direction of Travel alert. Instead they are tracked within an expected range represented by Upper and Lower Thresholds. The Alert provided for Activity Indicators is whether they are in expected range or not. Results can either be in expected range (**Yes**) or they could be **High** or **Low**.

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Loan approval in the quarter to June 2014 was high for Expansion East Kent at £5.0 million, with the scheme well on target to approve sufficient loans to fully utilise the fund within the scheme lifetime. Loans approved for Tiger and Escalate at £2.5m in the quarter, although encouraging was insufficient to bring the scheme into the target trajectory to utilise all of the funds by the scheme end date of March 2015. However with over £5m of pipeline applications for Tiger and Escalate, the forecast is that the scheme will be back on trajectory for the quarter to September 2014.

Ref	Performance Indicators	YTD	YTD RAG	YTD Target	YTD Floor	Pr. Yr. YTD
ED01	Number of jobs committed to be created/safeguarded through RGF and KCC projects	1,461	GREEN	600	500	1,243
ED02	Expansion East Kent - percentage of funds with Board approval to progress to full contract (cumulative)	68%	GREEN	60%	55%	N/a
ED03	TIGER and Escalate - percentage of funds with Board approval to progress to full contract (cumulative)	47%	AMBER	50%	40%	N/a

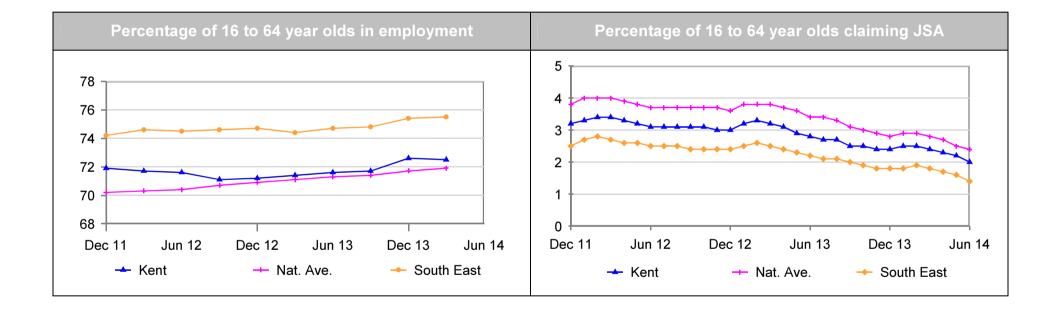
Data for all indicators are cumulative positions. ED01 is cumulative for the financial year and ED02 and ED03 are cumulative since the beginning of the schemes.

ED01 represents committed jobs based on loans provided and projects supported, including Regional Growth Fund schemes, Escalate, Marsh Million and the activity of Locate In Kent. Monitoring of delivery of these committed jobs for RGF will follow in future reports.

The Targets for ED02 and ED03 are from BIS. Achievement of the targets is dependent on receipt of good quality and robust applications.

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The general state of the Kent economy continues to show good improvement with JSA claimant rates now down to levels not seen since 2008. The percentage of 16 to 64 years old claiming JSA is now at the lowest level seen since September 2008.



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We have recently launched new customer satisfaction surveys in for all areas of our service and the first results for the quarter to June 2014 are included in the table below. In May this year we achieved our best ever result when we were reassessed for the Customer Service Excellence Award on behalf of the Cabinet Office.

Ref	Performance Indicators	Latest Quarter	Quarter RAG	DOT	Year to Date	YTD RAG	Target YTD	Floor YTD	Prev. Yr. YTD
LRA03	Average number of e-books issued per day	300	GREEN	仓	300	GREEN	242	212	213
LRA04	Average number of daily online contacts to the service	2,744	RED	Û	2,744	RED	3,500	3,000	3,678
LRA05	Number of ceremonies conducted by KCC officers	616	GREEN	仓	1,777	GREEN	1,400	1,200	1,616
LRA06	Customer satisfaction with Birth and Death Registrations	97%	GREEN		97%	GREEN	95%	90%	New Indicator
LRA07	Customer satisfaction with ceremonies	100%	GREEN		100%	GREEN	98%	90%	New Indicator
LRA08	Customer satisfaction with Libraries and Archives	92%	AMBER		92%	AMBER	93%	90%	New Indicator

LRA04 - The average number of daily online contacts to Libraries, Registration and Archives was low in the quarter. This indicator is an accumulation of a number of indicators, some of which have not declined e.g. access to our online reference sources. The principal decline is in access to kent.gov which we believe is as a result of changes to the website. Before the launch Libraries, Registration and Archives had 952 pages, we now have 33. What is unclear is whether the reduction in web hits is because customers are finding what they want more quickly, or because they cannot find what they want. We have seen no increase in customer complaints on this subject. There has been a significant increase in the percentage of on-line Registration bookings from 39% in April to 57% in June.

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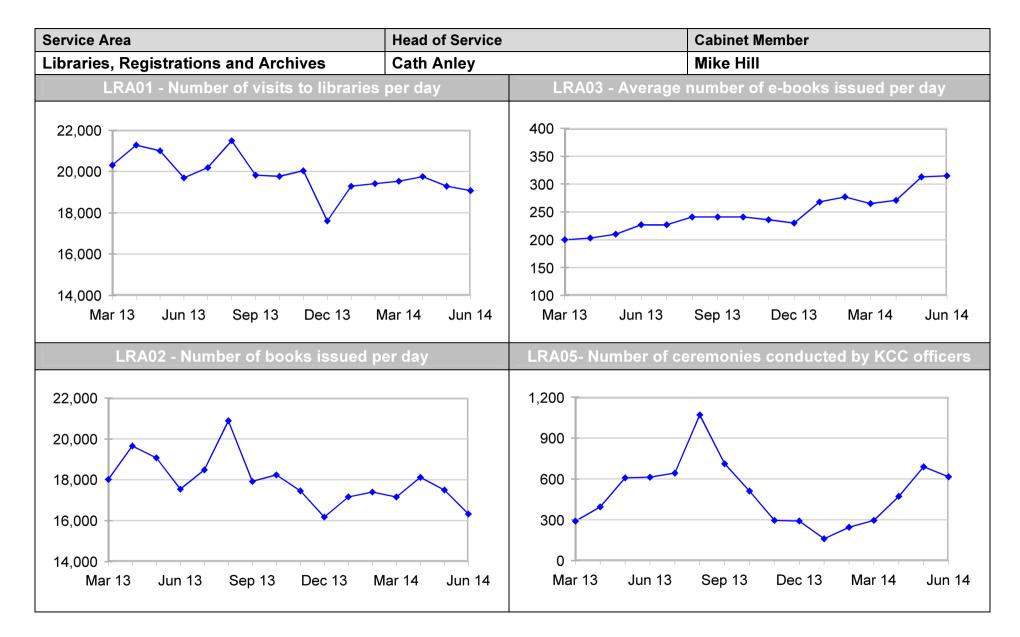
The slow but relatively steady transfer from traditional library usage (physical visits and issues) to use of our online services continues. The new kent.gov website has improved customer journeys and although activity on our area of the site has dropped in the quarter to June 2014 we believe that this is because it can be used more effectively.

Ref	Activity Indicators	Year to date range?		Expected	Prev. Yr	
ILEI			Upper	Lower	YTD	
LRA01	Number of visits to libraries per day (includes mobile libraries)	19,365	LOW	21,490	19,860	20,655
LRA02	Number of books issued per day (includes audio- and e-books)	17,301	LOW	19,600	18,100	18,756

As part of New Ways of Working, during the first quarter of the year we moved part of our business support activity from Kings Hill, Gibson Drive, to new much smaller and more cost effective premises. Delays meant that we were required to vacate the old premises but were not able to transfer all teams into the new premises immediately. This meant we were unable to send new books to our branches throughout quarter 1 and we believe this has reduced our volume of issues and visits. Teams were installed in the new premises at the start of the quarter 2, so we hope to see better issues and pick improve in the quarter to September.

As well as traditional library use, we provide a range of other uses for library buildings, many which involve volunteers from the community. Examples of this included in the quarter to June 2014, volunteers delivered Children's Storytime, and other similar events to 16,939 adults and children and Talk Time (a drop in coffee and chat session for 50+) to 6,087 attendees. These are just some of the additional community usage of library facilities which are currently provided.

Appendix 1



Division	Director	Cabinet Member
Sports	Paul Crick	Mike Hill

Ref	Performance Indicators	Year to Date	YTD RAG	Target YTD	Floor YTD	Prev. Yr. YTD
EPE09	Sports – Income levered into Kent (£000s)	1,924	GREEN	625	375	635

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Arts Development	Barbara Cooper	Mike Hill

Ref	Performance Indicators	Year to Date	YTD RAG	Target YTD	Floor YTD	Prev. Yr. YTD
ED04	Funding levered into Arts and Culture (£000's)	516	GREEN	326	272	316