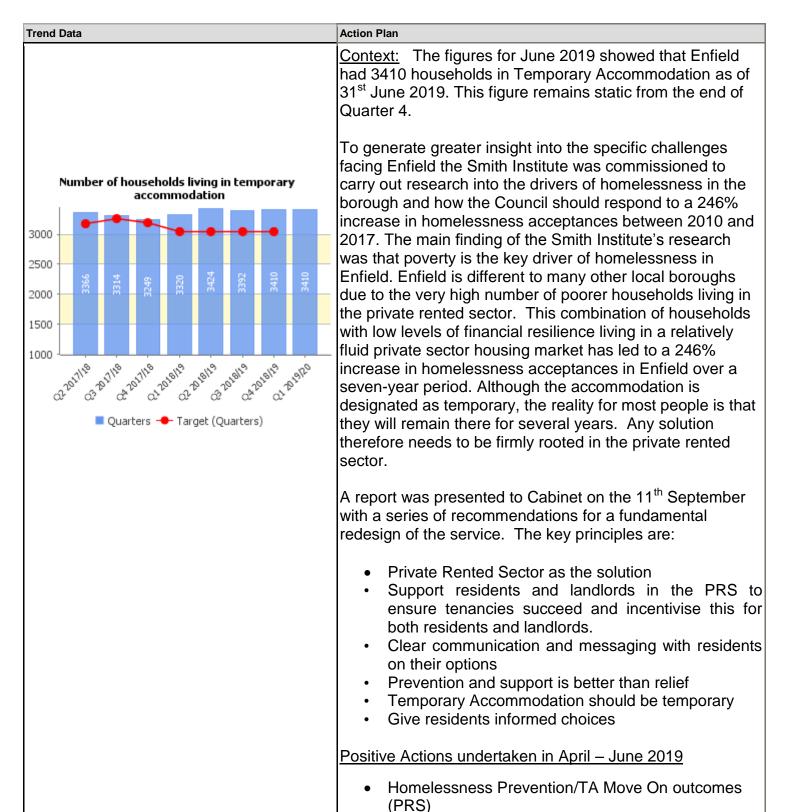
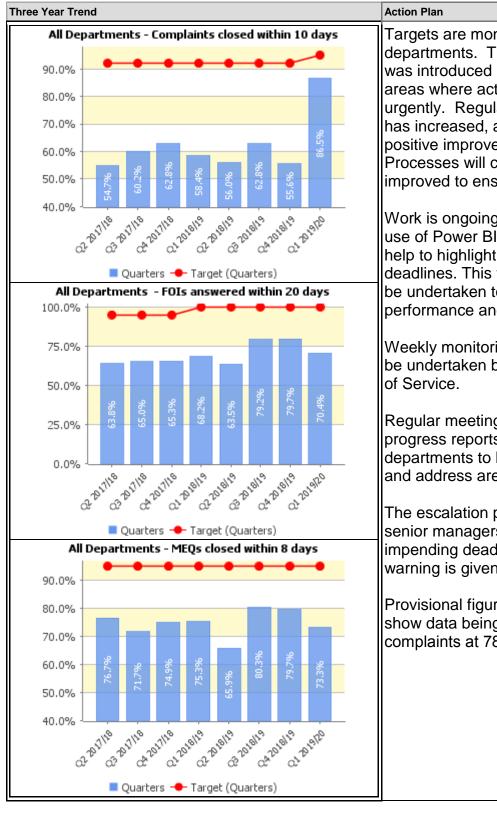
# **Performance Report Appendix 2:**

Performance Review: Homelessness Lead Director: Executive Director Place



- Tenancy sustainment (retained in current tenancy) - 110
- Homefinders 76
- Households moved on from temporary accommodation to the PRS - 59
- Housing Allocations (social housing) for permanent move on from TA - 41
- Training staff and improving business process to improve efficiency and timely decision making
- During September an additional staff member will be recruited to determine applications where the Council has decided to cease its housing duty and temporary accommodation due to rent arrears or anti-social behaviour
- A Review of the Homelessness Service is underway to inform a new homelessness service model with more upstream prevention activities and strengthened partnership working.
- Changes are being proposed to the Council's Allocations Scheme to give greater priority to vulnerable households and those who are proactive in finding their own housing solutions including private rented homes as an alternative to temporary accommodation.
- Responding to London Councils, LGA and MHCLG surveys in relation to the Hosing Reduction Act and its positive/negative impacts. This will help to inform future policy changes and enable Enfield to lobby for additional funding due to the challenges we face.
- Continue to carry out suitability assessments to assist clients to move on from TA
- Further development of a performance Framework to accurately track levels of demand for TA in Enfield to be able to effectively track the success of interventions.

### Performance Review: Complaints, FOI's and Complaints Lead Director: Director of Law and Governance



Targets are monitored weekly with departments. The escalation process that was introduced highlights to Senior Officers areas where action needs to be taken urgently. Regular liaison with departments has increased, all of which have resulted in a positive improvement in performance. Processes will continue to be reviewed and improved to ensure the system works well.

Work is ongoing with Depts to encourage the use of Power BI Live Dashboard, which will help to highlight cases that are approaching deadlines. This will allow remedial action to be undertaken to support improvements in performance and bring back on target by Q4.

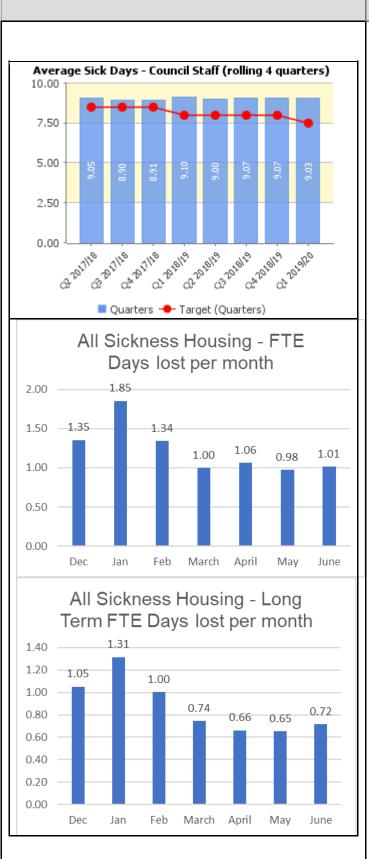
Weekly monitoring of progress continues to be undertaken by Team Manager with Heads of Service.

Regular meetings with DMTs and weekly progress reports are being issued to departments to help facilitate discussions and address areas of underperformance.

The escalation process to alert officers and senior managers of non-response and impending deadlines, to ensure appropriate warning is given for action to be taken.

Provisional figures for FOIS for Q2 so far show data being at 74.9% for FOIS and complaints at 78.1% and MEQ's at 81%.

# **Performance Review: Sickness Absence Lead Director: Executive Director Place**

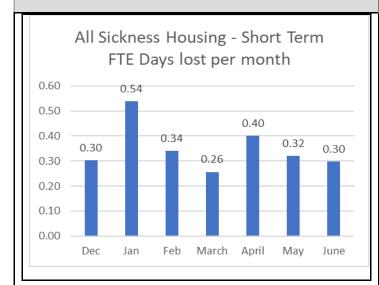


#### **Improvement Plan**

The rolling 4 quarters for sickness absence up to June 2019 is in the chart on the left-hand side Current Council wide performance is above target with 9.03FTE days being lost to sickness every year. The Target is 7.96 FTE days lost which is also the London average.

For the Housing service there has been a noticeable improvement in sickness absence since the start of the calendar year. Figures remain above the monthly target 0.663 FTE Days but there has been a noticeable improvement. Actions have included:

- HR are continuing to routinely review long term sickness cases and are working with managers to ensure the case is proactively managed.
- Services with high levels of sickness absence are being targeted for additional support including additional 'Managing Absence & Attendance' training sessions
- Increased use of data to identify individuals that are hitting sickness trigger points
- Additional promotion is on-going for the Council's Counselling and Physio service to support staff and managers.
- Work is being done to identify additional support and guidance for staff suffering with mental health, anxiety and depression.
- Analysis has been undertaken to provide greater understanding and intelligence around sickness absence.
- Sickness boards have been introduced to monitor sickness absence, discus the trends and provide support to managers
- Workshops session and focus discussion were carried for manual workers in the caretaking services. This has allowed managers to gather feedback as to what is causing the extra high levels of sickness. Actions plans are being agreed and actions implemented, for instance: better PPE or tools. Working methods are being revised to ensure the safest possible ways are deployed, to minimise potential injuries.
- There is a greater emphasis on formally managing sickness absence in line with the agreed HR policies and procedures.
- Reporting of being sick on the day by



## Improvement Plan

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## Further plans include:

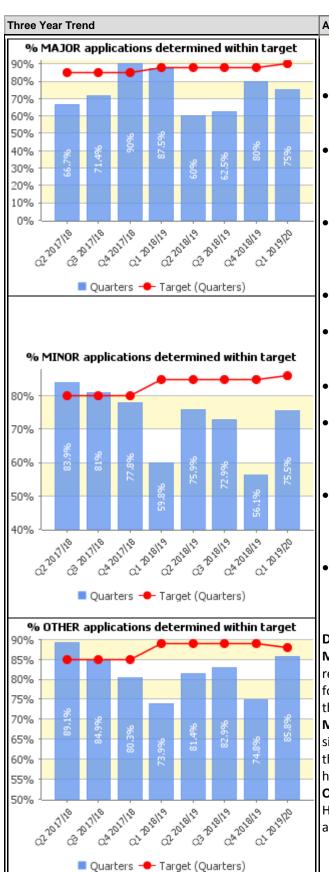
- A permanent senior management team in Housing is now in place.
- Long standing sickness cases are being progressed including one termination due to ill health in this quarter.
- In Q3 we shall start consultation with staff about a new staffing structure which will see some internal recruitment for new roles. It is anticipated that we may see sickness rise during this period of change – but to significantly improve during 2020/21 with a new operating model, structure and technology in place.

# Performance Review: Planning Application Profile: Major,

**Minor and Others** 

**Lead Director: Executive Director Place** 





#### Action Plan

- A detailed Performance Action Plan has been produced to focus on a range of actions to improve performance by November 2019
  - The Planning Service has engaged the Planning Advisory Service (PAS) to provide advice and support including independently reviewing our Action Plan and undertaking a productivity and resourcing review
- A monthly Development Management Performance Task and Finish Group is being established, including officers from HR, IT, Legal, Customer Services etc. to track progress on delivery of Action Plan tasks
- Draft recommendations from a recent internal audit by PwC being used to improve internal systems
- September significant recruitment campaign launched to boost the capacity of the service including 5 fixed term posts to support performance on PPAs
- Successful recruitment of officers over the past 6 months starting to see reduction in caseloads
- An Operational Support officer has been trained to provide more regular 'in month' performance data to Planning Service managers so that they can mitigate issues within the month and optimise performance
- Focused performance meetings continue to target decision dates and ensure extensions of time are secured where necessary. Weekly Strategic Applications Meetings are held to track major applications and monitor performance
- Improved communication has been put in place with staff through team meetings and 1:1s to increase importance and drive up performance.

#### **Definitions**:

**Major Application**; an application for 10 dwellings or more; residential application on sites of 0.5 hectares +; or an application for offices, general industrial, storage, distribution or shops where the floor space exceeds 1000sqm

**Minor Applications**: Applications for between 1 and 9 dwellings; a site area of less than 0.5 hectares; floor space to be built is less than 1,000 square meters or where the site area is less than 1 hectare.

#### Other Applications:

Householder Developments, Advertisements, Enforcement activity, Regulation 3 and 4 consents