Benchmarking Report (End of Year Performance 2020/21)

1. Introduction

- 1.1. The following report details the end of year figures for the 2020/21 financial year i.e. 1st April 2020 to 31st March 2021 for a number of local authorities initially identified using the CIPFA 'Nearest Neighbours' model. The following authorities provided figures for this benchmarking exercise:
 - East Staffordshire Borough Council
 - Chorley Borough Council
 - Gedling Borough Council
 - High Peak Borough Council
- 1.2. However it should be noted that not all participating authorities are in a position to provide data for all the performance indicators in the exercise. A comparison table for each performance indicator is shown below, where a sufficient number of Councils have provided comparable data for that indicator.
- 1.3. To ensure data quality and allow for fair comparison between the participating authorities, the participating authorities were asked to highlight where any performance indicator was not calculated using previously published NI / BVPI definitions or guidance.
- 1.4. Some variations have been highlighted so please take these into account when considering this report.
- 1.5. Where no additional comment has been made to highlight variations, then the report assumes that the figures provided are cumulative and that they are calculated in accordance with recognised NI / BVPI definitions. Other comments provided by the relevant participating authority have also been detailed where appropriate.

2. Former National Indicators and Best Value Performance Indicators

Rank	Authority	Indicator	2020/21 Q1	Q2	Q3	2020/21 Year End		
	BVPI 9 - Council Tax collected (%)							
1	East Staffordshire	BVPI 9	28.7	56.62	83.98	98.64		
2	Authority B	BVPI 9	28.08	55.24	82.63	98.29		
3	Authority C	BVPI 9	28.47	55.72	83.54	97.84		
4	Authority A	BVPI 9		54.46	81.49	96.98		
	BVPI 10 - NNDR							
	collected	5) (5) (6				22.12		
1	Authority C	BVPI 10	22.51	52.36	79.12	98.12		
2	East Staffordshire	BVPI 10	25.51	52.69	80.97	95.09		
3	Authority B	BVPI 10	24.12	54.33	81.43	95.08		
4	Authority A	BVPI 10		55.01	81.1	94.93		
BVPI 12 - Days sick per member of staff (variation 1 – Short Term Sick)								
1	East Staffordshire	BVPI 12 var.1	0.21	0.72	1.25	1.93		
2	Authority C	BVPI 12 var.1	0.2	0.8	1.3	2.24		

Rank	Authority	Indicator	Q1	Q2	Q3	2020/21 Year End		
NI 157	NI 157a - Processing of major planning applications (%)							
1	Authority A	NI 157a		100	100	100		
1	East Staffordshire	NI 157a	100	100	100	100		
1	Authority C	NI 157a	100	100	100	100		
4	Authority B	NI 157a	100	100	93	95		
NI 157b - Processing of minor planning applications (%)								
1	East Staffordshire	NI 157b	95	93.75	93	95		
2	Authority A	NI 157b		100	100	94		
3	Authority C	NI 157b	96	94	93	93		
4	Authority B	NI 157b	96	92	88	88		
NI 157c - Processing of other planning applications (%)								
1	Authority A	NI 157c		100	100	100		
2	East Staffordshire	NI 157c	100	97.37	98	98		
3	Authority C	NI 157c	98	97	97	96		
4	Authority B	NI 157c	92	91	88	85		

Rank	Authority	Indicator	2020/21 Q1	Q2	Q3	2020/21 Year End		
NI 181 - Time taken to process Housing / Council Tax Benefit new claims and changes (days)								
1	East Staffordshire	NI 181	5.12	4.76	4.57	4.48		
2	Authority B	NI 181	5	4.5	4.4	4.9		
NI 191 - Residual household waste per household (kg) 1								
2	East Staffordshire	NI 191	144.65*	276	409.04	503*		
3	Authority B	NI 191	178.08	340.94	503	668.57*		
NI 192 - Household waste recycled and composted (%)								
1	Authority C	NI 192	55.53	54.5	50.99	50.78*		
2	East Staffordshire	NI 192	46.28*	47.5	44.27	45.1*		
3	Authority B	NI 192	35.6	36.23	34.6	32.4*		

*Estimated

Rank	Authority	Indicator	2020/21 Q1	Q2	Q3	2020/21 Year End		
NI 195a – Improved street and environmental cleanliness – litter (%) (non- Cumulative)								
1	East Staffordshire	NI 195a	NYD	0	0	0		
2	Authority B	NI 195a	1.5	1.3	1.2	1.1		
NI 195b – Improved street and environmental cleanliness – detritus (%) (non-Cumulative)								
1	East Staffordshire	NI 195b	NYD	0	0	0		
2	Authority B	NI 195b	3	3	2	2		
NI 195c – Improved street and environmental cleanliness – graffiti (%) (non- Cumulative)								
1	East Staffordshire	NI 195c	NYD	0	0	0		
2	Authority B	NI 195c	0	0	0.7	0.8		

3. Summary

- 3.1. There are 12 performance indicators relevant to East Staffordshire Borough Council included in this benchmarking exercise.
- 3.2. Please note that there are different numbers of authorities that have participated in the benchmarking of each indicator.
- 3.3. East Staffordshire Borough Council has been ranked as follows
 - 3.3.1. **BVPI 9:** Council Tax collected (%) Ranked 1st of 4 participating authorities
 - 3.3.2. **BVPI 10:** NNDR collected Ranked 2nd of 4 participating authorities
 - 3.3.3. **NI 157a:** Processing of major planning applications (%) Ranked Joint 1st of 4 participating authorities
 - 3.3.4. **NI 157b:** Processing of minor planning applications Ranked 2nd of 4 participating authorities
 - 3.3.5. **NI 157c:** Processing of other planning applications Ranked 2nd of 4 participating authorities
 - 3.3.6. **NI 181:** Time taken to process Housing Benefit / Council Tax Benefit new claims and change events (days)

Ranked 1st of 2 participating authorities

- 3.3.7. **NI 191:** Residual household waste per household Ranked 2nd of 3 participating authorities
- 3.3.8. **NI 192:** Household waste recycled and composted **Ranked 2nd of 3 participating authorities**
- 3.3.9. NI 195a/b/c: Improved street and environmental cleanliness
 - litter (%) Ranked 1st of 2 participating authorities
 - detritus (%) Ranked 1st of 2 participating authorities
 - graffiti (%) Ranked Joint 1st of 2 participating authorities
- 3.3.10. **BVPI 12:** Days sick per member of staff (variation 1 Short Term Sick) Ranked 1st of 2 participating authorities