

2020-21 Quarter to June Economic Growth & Development Services Performance Report – Service Plan



Section 4 - Strategic Outcome or Priority (L) Developing a diverse, inclusive & sustainable economy. (CP) Our Future: Create a vibrant economy


Action Code	Action Title	Due Date	Priority	Latest Status Update	Status Progress	Status Icon
EG&D20-22.S4.1.1	We will pursue the Cultural Quarter and other Moray Growth Deal projects led by the council	31-Mar-2022	1	Projects progressing as outlined in the growth deal programme. Final sign off of growth deal likely to be in June 2021 subject to finalising OBCs.	25%	
EG&D20-22.S4.1.2a	We will progress the Moray skills investment plan and complete review the current plan	31-Mar-2022	5	Skills investment plan is on hold as economic recovery is taking priority. Review of previous SIP and SIP actions not yet completed on hold due to COVID 19 actions currently replaced by Economic Recovery Action Plan. The actions related to employability and skills within the economic recovery plan are being progressed with much of it related to additional funding received as part of the Youth Guarantee Scheme.	85%	
EG&D20-22.S4.1.2b	Develop a collaborative approach to employability	31-Mar-2022	5	The Local Employability Partnership is now established with good network support through the employability consortium, change management plans are underway to consolidate employability into a single service.	50%	

Section 5 - Service Level Outcomes or Priorities Implement the secondary legislation and guidance issued by Scottish Government in relation to the Planning Scotland Act 2019




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EG&D20-22.S5.1	Implement the secondary legislation and guidance issued by Scottish Government in relation to the Planning Scotland Act 2019 - Project plan and manage the expected changes to procedures and processes as a result of new legislation.	31-Mar-2022	2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Awaiting revised programme of work from Scottish Government in Autumn 2021. The progress against this action will be re-calculated once the new programme of work is available and the scope is known. Building Standards performance report to be presented to committee in 	25%	


				November 2021. • Engagement Strategy prepared - Building Standards Developer Forum to be held by end of September 2021.		
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Section 5 - Service Level Outcomes or Priorities
Produce a Building Standards Annual Performance Report to be submitted to SG & to be used to promote the service and drive improvements

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EG&D20-22.S5.2	Produce a Building Standards Annual Performance Report to be submitted to Scottish Government and to be used to promote the service and drive improvements	30-Sep-2021	1	Building Standards Annual Performance Report submitted to Scottish Government.	50%	

Section 6 - Recovery & Renewal Outcomes
1. Economic Recovery

Action Code	Action Title	Due Date	Priority	Latest Status Update	Status Progress	Status Icon
EG&D20-22.S6.1.1a	We will progress the preparation and delivery of Elgin Town Centre Masterplan and complete the carbon free place pilot projects.	30-Jun-2021	1	Officers are responding to comments received and finalising the Masterplan and are preparing an Action Programme to accompany it. The finalised Masterplan will be considered by P&RS Committee by the end of 2021, then be subject to a further short consultation.	100%	
EG&D20-22.S6.1.1b	We will facilitate high street development through no fee pre application advice and fast track planning and building standards services	31-Mar-2021	1	Starting on 1st Nov 2020 this has now become part of a standard process offering free pre application advice and fast tracking (to high street developers).	100%	
EG&D20-22.S6.1.2	We will support business	31-Mar-2022	1	During Q1 £10,844,050 of COVID 19 business support grants have been paid with the details below. • 232 businesses received £1,173,250 Discretionary Grants. • From the SFBF 990 businesses received £8,828,000 Restart Grants with 602 businesses receiving £367,800 further Restriction grants. • 50 Small Accommodation Providers received £475,000 of Restart & Restriction grants. • Through the Town Centre Capital Fund 51 businesses received grants of £1,189,479 for Transforming empty space to living space, Altering large Retail Units into smaller ones & shop front improvements / small grants, which on completion will lead to an investment of £3,838,958. However, COVID 19 restrictions and sharp increases in construction cost	25%	

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				<p>presents major problems to complete projects by end of September 2021.</p> <p>Business gateway is leading on the provision of post Brexit 1-2-1 support. This will mitigate impacts of Brexit through providing support which will enable SME's in Moray to continue to trade in Europe and/or enter new markets. Assist SME's with high exposure to EU markets and strengthen the local supply chain, and help create a more prosperous, growing economy. A very encouraging start to Q1 with 44 new ventures receiving support and starting up. All targets & performances are published on a quarterly basis on the Council website & for Q1 can be accessed from the link below. http://www.moray.gov.uk/moray_standard/page_59743.html</p>		
EG&D20-22.S6.1.3	We will progress employability and skills activities such as kickstart, youth guarantee scheme, parental employability support.	31-Mar-2021	1	This work is being progressed as part of the economic recovery plan.	100%	

Section 6 - Recovery & Renewal Outcomes
2. A sustainable Council that provides valuable services to our Communities

Action Code	Action Title	Due Date	Priority	Latest Status Update	Status Progress	Status Icon
EG&D20-22.S6.2.1	Adapt and reprioritise services to meet new demands of COVID 19 and Brexit, prioritisation will be on Public Health impacts and protecting the economy	31-Mar-2021	1	<p>Environmental Health remain focused on COVID related work, it is unclear how much of this will remain as a permanent service provision as the pandemic declines. There are still concerns in terms of capacity once there is an expectation that normal service provision relating to food hygiene, private water supplies and health and safety resume.</p> <p>The Economic Development team has prioritised business support and economic recovery work and will continue to do so this has meant that work such as finding an alternative delivery model for the Falconer Museum has been put on hold.</p>	100%	