

**Councillor Chris Holley**  
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**BY EMAIL**

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Dear Councillor Holley

Thank you for your letter dated 8 February 2021. In answer to your question, I respond as follows

The PI **EC2** measures the percentage of major application that are approved and measures performance in terms of the delivery of those schemes which have an major or strategic impact and contribute to the Council's economic regeneration agenda.

The Local Development Plan sets out the Council Planning Policy against which decisions which impact on this PI are taken. Where all applications that fall within this PI are approved, the percentage will be 100%.

However, there may be occasions where applications are refused and as a result the PI will be below 100%. In such cases, there is a requirement to provide a comment that explains why the PI is not 100%.

It is likely that where planning applications are refused, it is because the proposed development, despite its potential contribution to the Council's Economic Regeneration agenda is contrary to adopted planning policy.

The explanation that is provided in such circumstances will allow scrutiny to understand why the decision to refuse was made and ensure that decisions are made in accordance with the Council's adopted Planning Policy.

If you have any further requests then please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely



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