

## PROMPT PAYMENT PERFORMANCE 2020/21

The Department for Communities (DfC) issued revised guidance (Local Government Circular 19/2016) on prompt payments and the recording of invoice payments in November 2016. This guidance requested councils to record specific performance targets of 10 working days and 30 calendar days and continue a cycle of quarterly reporting on prompt payment performance by councils to the DfC and its publication on their website. The Council has set a target of paying 90% of invoices within 30 calendar days and 80% within 10 working days.

The council's prompt payment performance is set out below:

Period	Total number of invoices paid	Value of invoices paid (£)	Number paid within 10 working days	% paid within 10 working days	Number paid within 30 calendar days	% paid within 30 calendar days	Number paid outside 30 calendar days	% paid outside 30 calendar days	Average number of days taken to pay suppliers
<b>1 April 2020 – 30 June 2020</b>	4,032	10,652,715	2,970	74%	3,518	87%	514	13%	14.83
<b>1 July 2020 – 30 September 2020</b>	3,799	10,632,816	2,961	78%	3,457	91%	342	9%	13.16
<b>1 October 2020 – 31 December 2020</b>	4,659	10,381,339	3,577	77%	4,302	92%	357	8%	13.36
<b>1 January 2021 – 31 March 2021</b>	4,611	16,012,205	3,284	71%	4,007	87%	604	13%	15.64