

PROMPT PAYMENT PERFORMANCE 2022/23

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
1 April 2022 – 30 June 2022	4,242	12,701,855	2,235	53%	3,667	86%	575	14%	17.48
1 July 2022 – 30 September 2022	6,090	14,729,862	3,615	59%	5,155	85%	935	15%	19.26
1 October 2022 – 31 December 2022	5,780	12,694,605	3,509	61%	4,509	78%	1,271	22%	20.46
1 January 2023 – 31 March 2023	6,439	20,402,861	3,629	56%	4,595	71%	1,844	29%	29.38