

AGENDA ITEM 6

CENTRAL SCOTLAND VALUATION JOINT BOARD

Subject: INTERIM VALUATION PERFORMANCE REPORT Meeting: CENTRAL SCOTLAND VALUATION JOINT BOARD

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1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

The Assessor submits a full annual Public Performance Report to the Board and publishes this on the Scottish Assessors' website (saa.gov.uk). This report covers the first six months of the financial year and is intended to show how these elements of the Assessors workload are progressing. It should be noted that progress is monitored on a regular basis by the Management Team which meets at approximately monthly intervals.

2. RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Valuation Joint Board note the continuing commitment to Best value.

3. PERFORMANCE INDICATORS FOR VALUATION WORK

These indicators measure how quickly we make changes to the Valuation Roll i.e. the period between the effective date of the change and the date the change was processed. This is important for ratepayers who will be keen to avoid a large backdated rates bill. It also assists local authorities who avoid having to issue backdated bills and helps with cash flow management.

Total No. of Entries 12,987 as at 21st October 2019

Amended Entries between 1 April 2019 and 30 September 2019 is 473

Period	Target 2019/20	Achieved April – September 2019
Within 3 months	75%	82%
Within 6 months	90%	96%
Over 6 months	10%	4%

4. PERFORMANCE INDICATORS FOR VALUATION LIST WORK

These indicators measure how quickly we add new houses i.e. the period between the new house coming into existence and it being added to the Valuation List, Taxpayers do not wish to have to pay backdated bills and local authorities are keen to collect Council Tax as quickly as possible. In terms of Electoral Registration it is important that new properties are included in the Electoral database as soon as possible to ensure that the Electoral Register is kept up to date.

Total No. of Entries 141,657 as at 21st October 2019

No. of New Entries between 1 April 2019 and 30 September 2019 is 421

Period	Target 2019/20	Achieved April – September 2019
Within 3 months	97%	95%
Within 6 months	99%	96%
Over 6 months	1%	4%

5. COMMENTS ON PERFORMANCE APRIL TO SEPTEMBER

At this stage in the financial year, we are exceeding our targets for Valuation Roll changes, however we are currently 2 and 3 percentage points below our targets for Valuation List new entries. This is due to late notification of the creation of 12 new bedsit entries from 5 flats in Grangemouth. These changes only came to our attention due to a change in the Electoral Register and not as a result of a planning or building warrant application. In the absence of these new entries we would have met or exceeded our targets for Valuation List new entries at this stage in the financial year.

It is expected in Valuation Roll work that performance figures at the start of the financial year will meet or exceed our target figures. This is due to the fact that new entries or changes can only be backdated to the start of the financial year.

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Assistant Assessor Date: 30th October 2019