

# Progressing Performance: Investing in Scotland's Planning Service

## Reductions in staff and resources

**£40m**

Reduced expenditure in planning between 2010/11 and 2015/2016

% of local authority budget devoted to planning, 2015/16

Planning department staff reductions since 2010



**20%**

**0.63%**



Number of original decisions upheld in review

**59%**

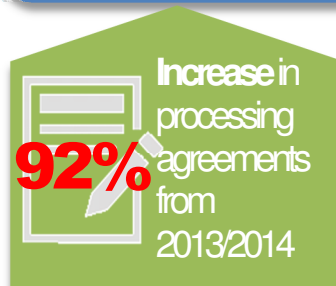
Improvement in local processing times since 2013

**1 week**



**67%**

Average % of service improvements completed



**92%**

Increase in processing agreements from 2013/2014

Average local plan age

**3.15y**



**1/3** of local authorities reached **66%** cost recovery in 2014

% of staff in Development Management

**63%** average cost recovery on planning applications



**£500k-£800k**

Average staff costs between 2011-2015

