























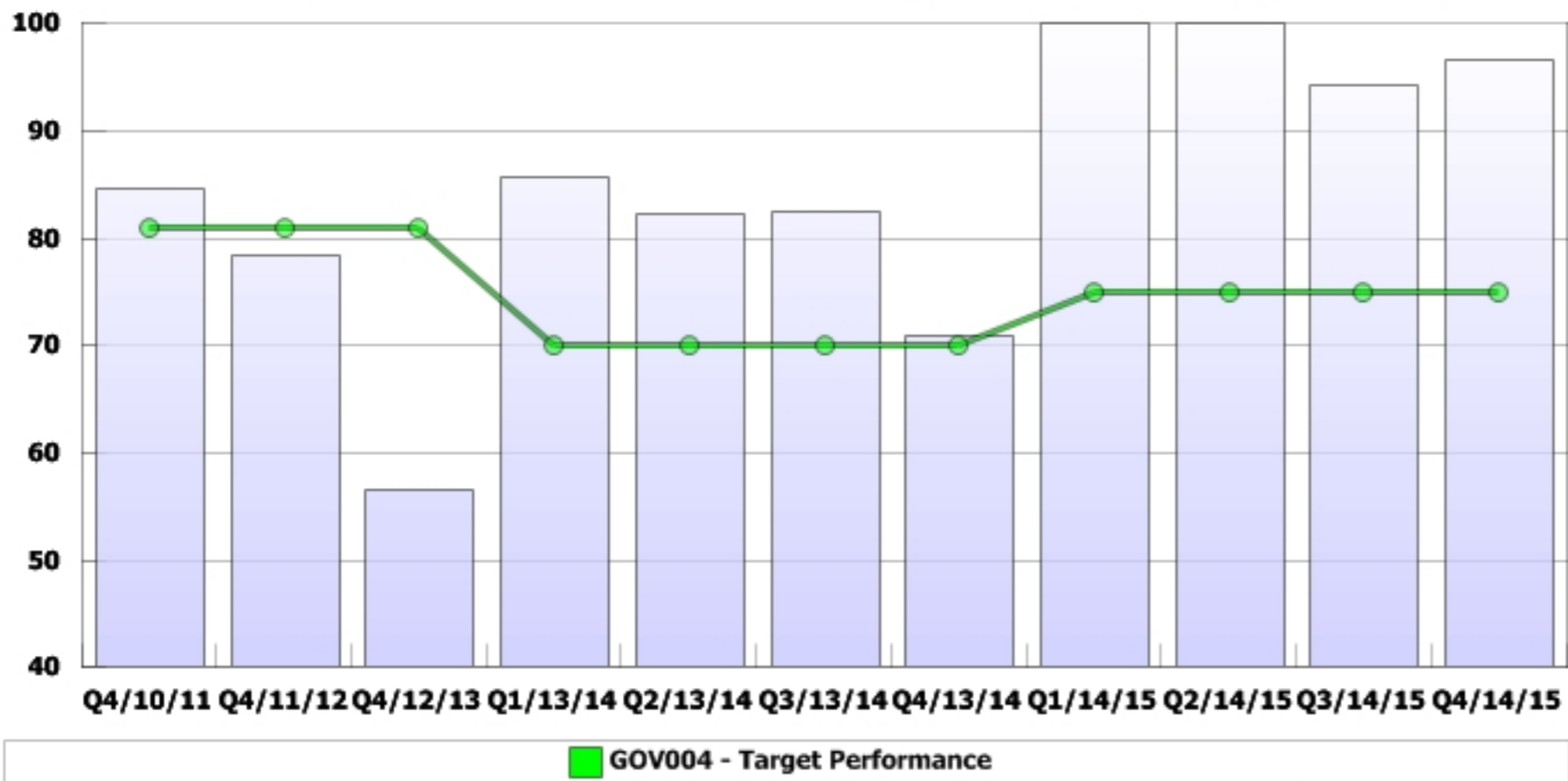


Quarterly Indicators		Quarter 1		Quarter 2		Quarter 3		Quarter 4		Is year-end target likely to be achieved?				
		Tgt	Actual	Tgt	Actual	Tgt	Actual	Tgt	Actual					
Planning Services Scrutiny Panel														
GOV004	(Major planning) (%)	75.00%	100.00%		75.00%	100.00%		75.00%	94.40%		75.00%	96.60%		Yes
GOV005	(Minor planning) (%)	90.00%	95.83%		90.00%	92.90%		90.00%	93.46%		90.00%	92.90%		Yes
GOV006	(Other planning) (%)	94.00%	95.90%		94.00%	95.62%		94.00%	94.78%		94.00%	94.69%		Yes
GOV007	(Appeals - officers) (%)	19.00%	18.20%		19.00%	22.22%		19.00%	20.59%		19.00%	21.28%		No
GOV008	(Appeals - members) (%)	50.00%	66.67%		50.00%	54.55%		50.00%	62.50%		50.00%	70.00%		No
NEI010	(Increase in homes) (no.)	68	70		187	111		209	181		230	229		No

Additional Information: This indicator ensures that local planning authorities determine major planning applications in a timely manner (within thirteen weeks).

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Current and previous quarters performance



Quarter	Target	Actual	Status
Q4/14/15	75.00%	96.60%	✓
Q3/14/15	75.00%	94.40%	✓
Q2/14/15	75.00%	100.00%	✓
Q1/14/15	75.00%	100.00%	✓
Q4/13/14	70.00%	70.97%	✓

Annual 2014/15 - 75.00%
 Target: 2013/14 - 70.00%
 Indicator of good performance:
 A higher percentage is good
 ↑ is the direction of improvement

Is it likely that the target will be met at the end of the year?
 Yes

Comment on current performance (including context):

(Quarter 4) Major type applications represent only a small number of the overall number of planning applications received, but they are more complex and generally are reported to planning committees, so deadlines for decisions are tight. In total for the year, 28 out of 29 were decided in time which is a very good performance.

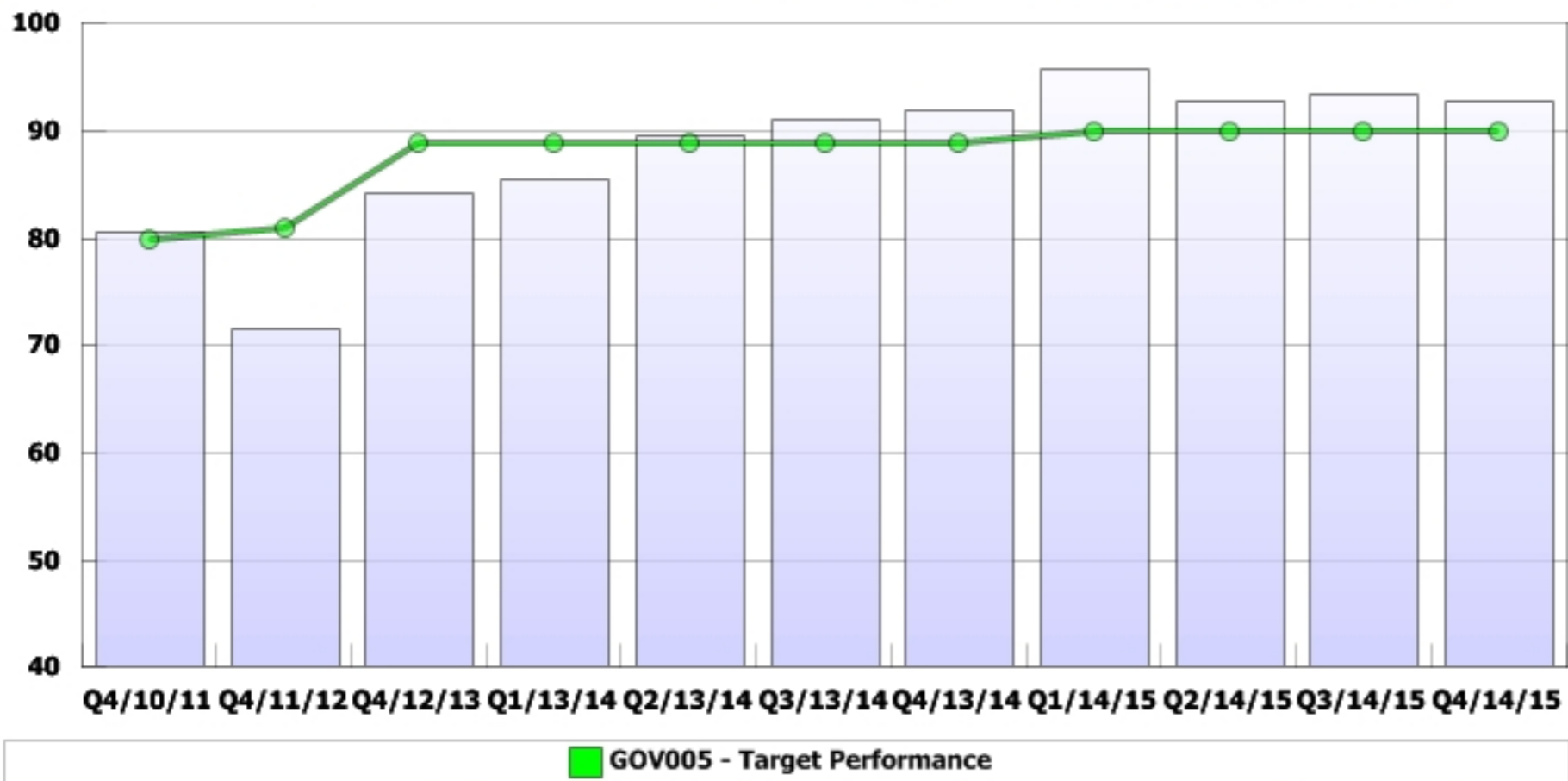
Corrective action proposed (if required):

GOV005 What percentage of minor planning applications were processed within 8 weeks (Delegated decisions only from 2012/13)?

Additional Information: This indicator ensures that local planning authorities determine 'minor' planning applications in a timely manner (within eight weeks). With effect from Q1 2012/13 this indicator will measure performance on delegated decisions only. Historical performance figures will remain unchanged.

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Current and previous quarters performance



Quarter	Target	Actual	Performance Status
Q4/14/15	90.00%	92.90%	✓
Q3/14/15	90.00%	93.46%	✓
Q2/14/15	90.00%	92.90%	✓
Q1/14/15	90.00%	95.83%	✓
Q4/13/14	89.00%	91.97%	✓

Annual Target: 2014/15 - 90.00% (delegated)
 2013/14 - 89.00% (delegated)
Indicator of good performance:
 A higher percentage is good

↑ is the direction of improvement

Is it likely that the target will be met at the end of the year?
 Yes



Comment on current performance (including context):

(Quarter 4) This covers planning applications that include 1 to 9 dwellings/ pitches per application as well as offices, light industry, general industry, storage, warehousing or retail floorspace under 10,000sq m or 1 hectare and other minor developments. Only 24 out of an annual total of 338 delegated application decisions in this category were outside the target time., which is a good performance. The target was achieved.

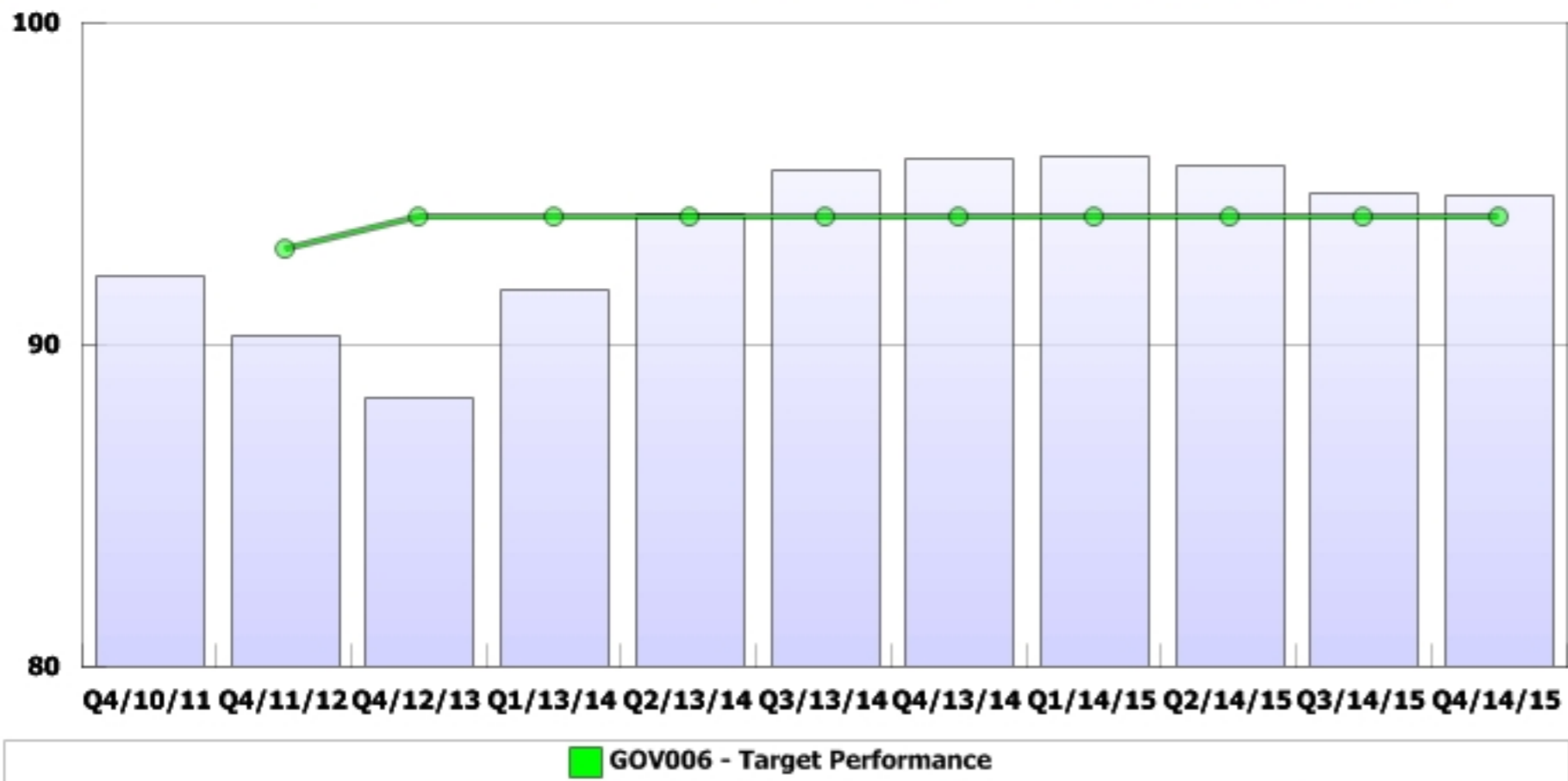
Corrective action proposed (if required):

GOV006 What percentage of other planning applications were processed within 8 weeks (Delegated decisions only from 2012/13)?

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Current and previous quarters performance



Quarter	Target	Actual	Visual
Q4/14/15	94.00%	94.69%	✓
Q3/14/15	94.00%	94.78%	✓
Q2/14/15	94.00%	95.62%	✓
Q1/14/15	94.00%	95.90%	✓
Q4/13/14	94.00%	95.84%	✓

Annual Target: 2014/15 - 94.00% (delegated)
 2013/14 - 94.00% (delegated)
 Indicator of good performance:
 A higher percentage is good
 ↑ is the direction of improvement

Is it likely that the target will be met at the end of the year?
 Yes

Comment on current performance (including context):

(Quarter 4) GOV006 represents the highest number out of all planning application types decided under delegated powers. 1017 out of 1074 applications were decided in time in this category. Full complement of staff together with regular managing of workload continues has seen the achievement of this good performance.

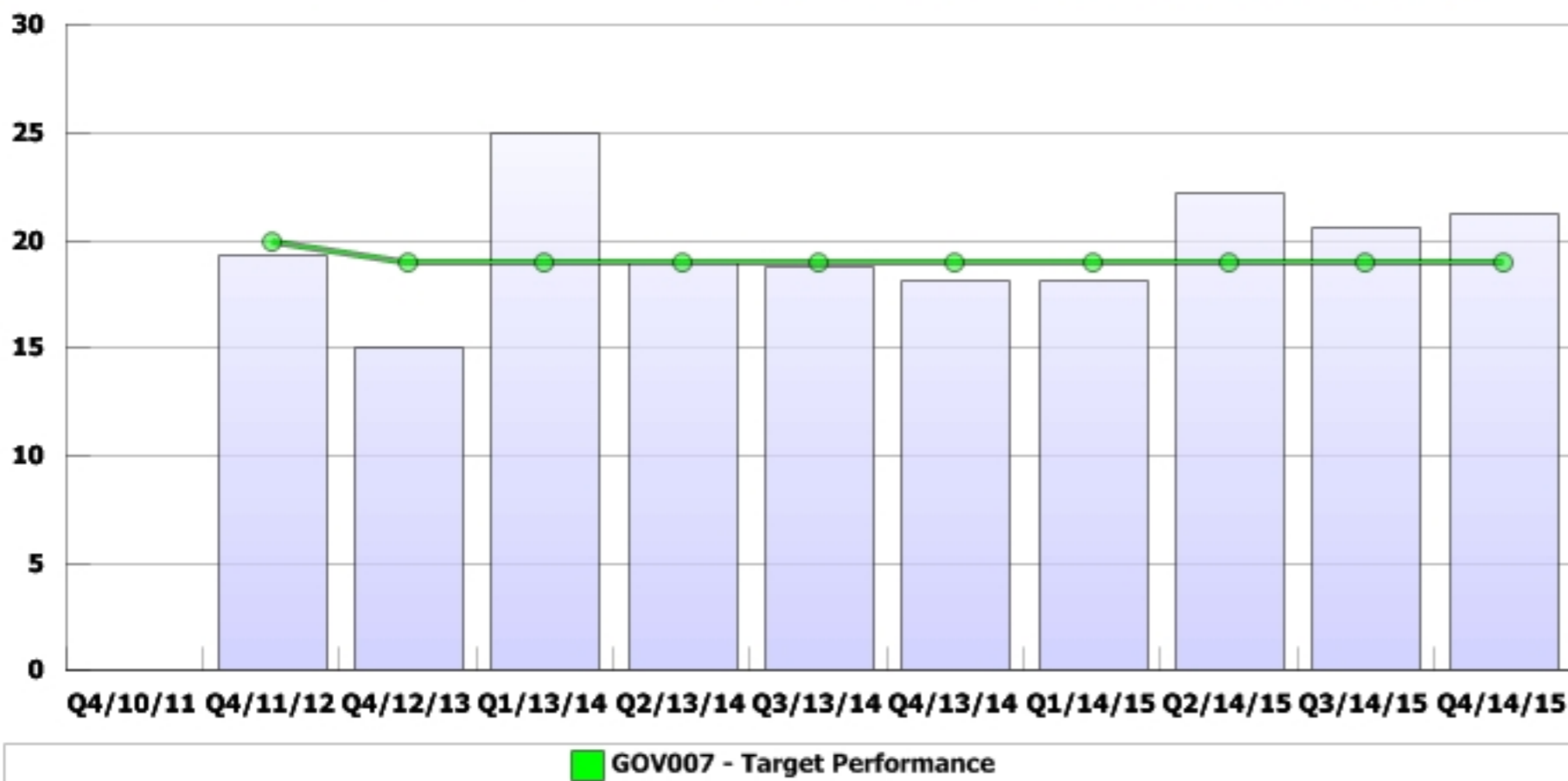
Corrective action proposed (if required):

GOV007 What percentage of planning applications recommended by planning officers for refusal were overturned and granted permission following an appeal?

Additional Information: This indicator is expressed as a percentage of the no. of appeals determined and seeks to assess the levels of applications that may be refused in order to meet development control performance targets. It measures the performance of only Officer Recommendations for refusal of planning permission

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Current and previous quarters performance



Quarter	Target	Actual
Q4/14/15	19.00%	21.28%
Q3/14/15	19.00%	20.59%
Q2/14/15	19.00%	22.22%
Q1/14/15	19.00%	18.20%
Q4/13/14	19.00%	18.18%

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Annual 2014/15 - 19.00%
 Target: 2013/14 - 19.00%
 Indicator of good performance:
 A lower percentage is good

Is it likely that the target will be met at the end of the year?
■ No

↓ is the direction of improvement

Comment on current performance (including context):

(Quarter 4/Annual) Of the 47 appeal decisions resulting from officer delegated refusals, 10 were overturned and allowed and therefore granted planning permission against Officers recommendation. If one of the ten allowed had been dismissed, the target would have virtually been achieved.

Corrective action proposed (if required):

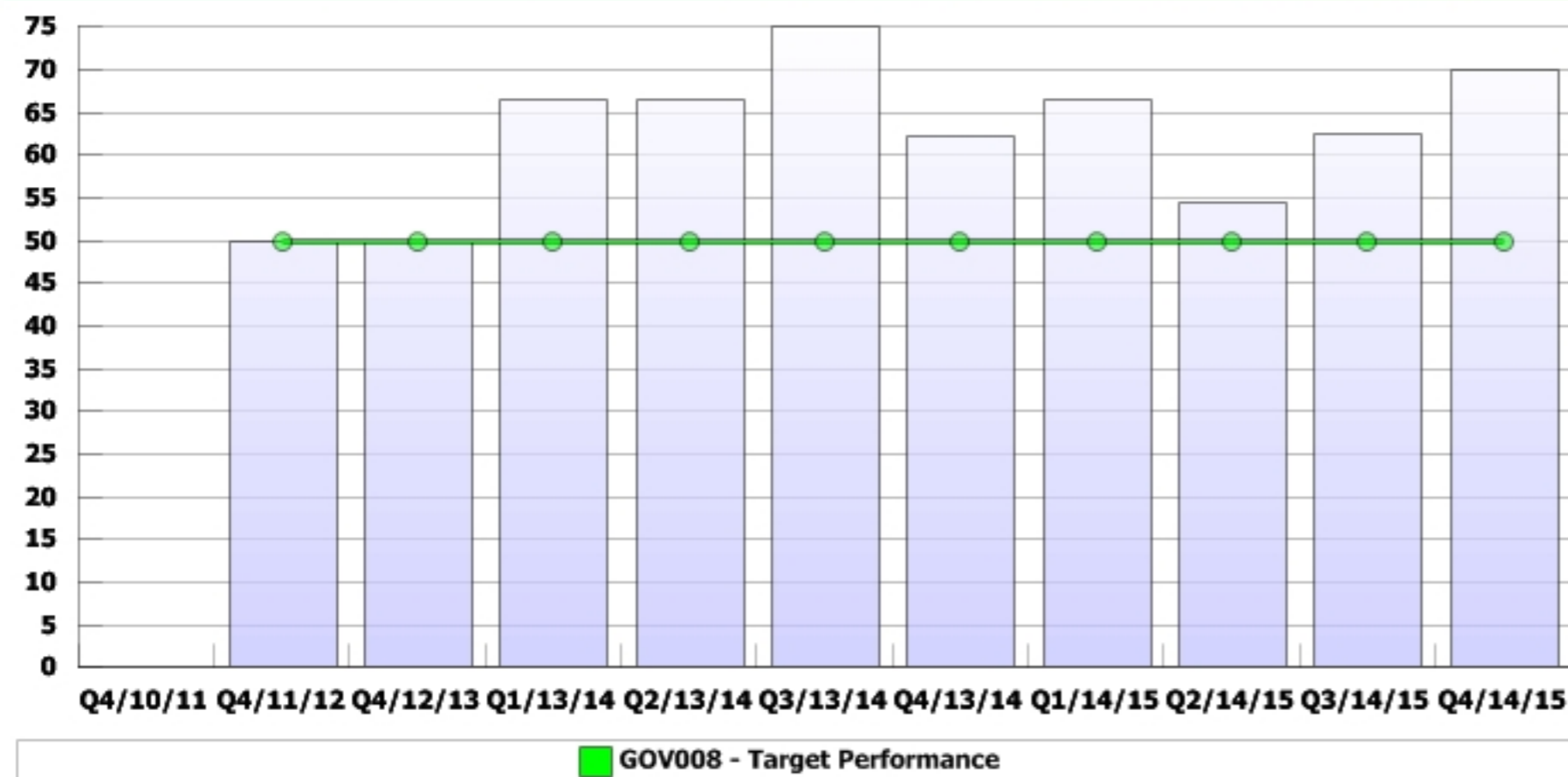
(Q4 2014/15) The total number of appeals submitted has been steadily falling, which means those that do get allowed result in a greater swing of performance than previously. Officers have looked at the 10 cases and it is difficult to draw conclusions, other than perhaps in balanced cases, Officers have taken a more cautious stance and refused where there is local objections.

GOV008 What percentage of planning applications, refused by Council Members against the planning officer's recommendation, were granted permission on appeal?

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Current and previous quarters performance



Quarter	Target	Actual
Q4/14/15	50.00%	70.00%
Q3/14/15	50.00%	62.50%
Q2/14/15	50.00%	54.55%
Q1/14/15	50.00%	66.67%
Q4/13/14	50.00%	62.20%

Is it likely that the target will be met at the end of the year?

No

↓ is the direction of improvement

Annual Target: 2014/15 - 50.00%
 2013/14 - 50.00%

Indicator of good performance: A lower percentage is good

Comment on current performance (including context):

(Q4 & Annual) Members decisions to refuse planning permission by reversing officer recommendations on planning applications were supported outright on appeal in only 6 out of 20 cases, but with 14 allowed (including one part-allowed) the target has not been achieved.

Corrective action proposed (if required):

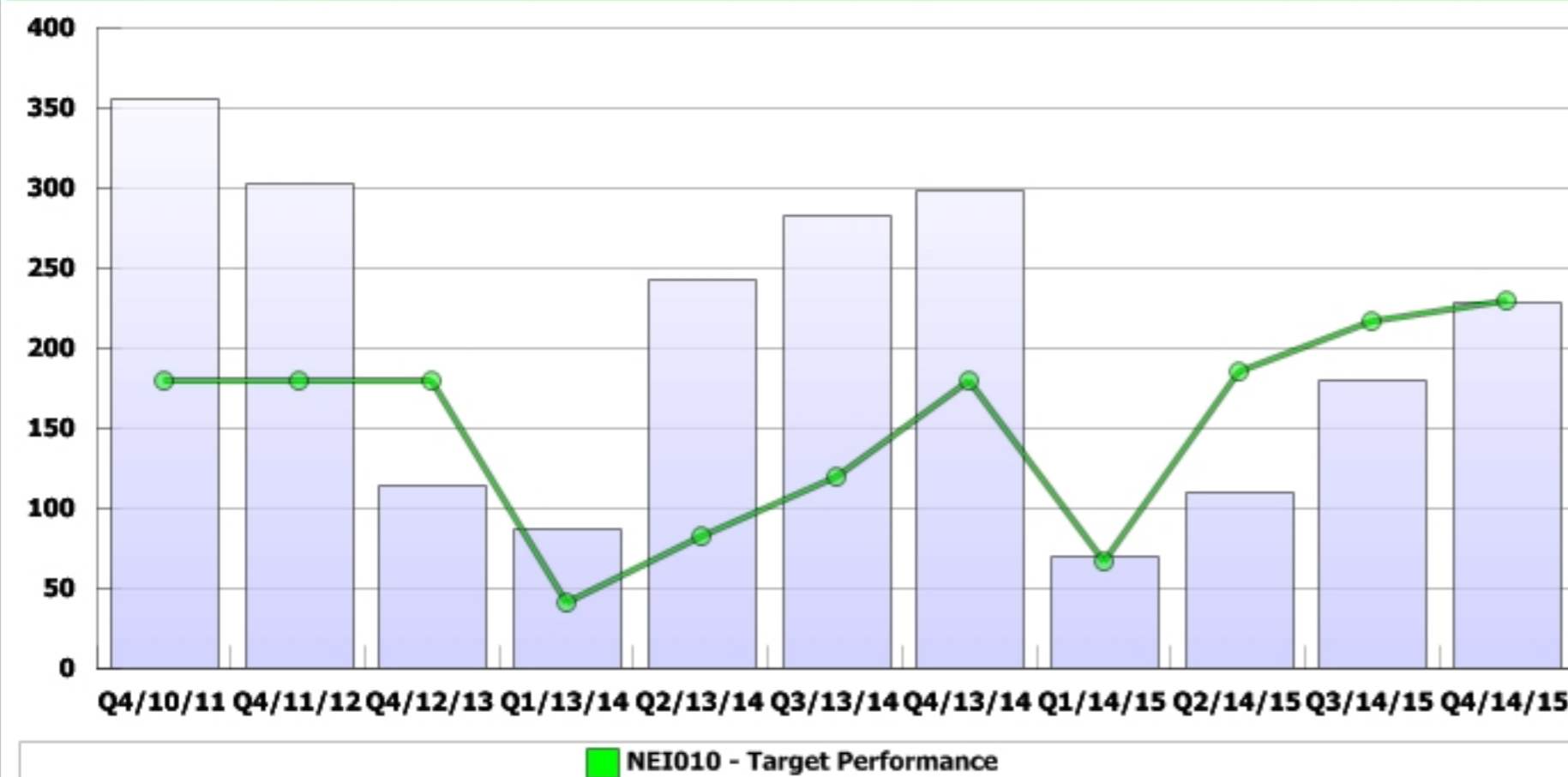
(Q4 2014/15) Training has taken place recently for new Members and further training will follow in June. 6-month appeal performance is reported to Area Plans Committees, the next one will be in June, where Members will see which appeals have been allowed.

NEI010 What was the net increase or decrease in the number of homes in the district?

Additional Information: This indicator encourages a greater supply of new homes to address long-term housing affordability issues, and measures the net increase in dwelling stock over one year. Quarterly targets and performance details for this indicator represent the cumulative total for the year to date.

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Current and previous quarters performance



Quarter	Target	Actual
Q4/14/15	230	229
Q3/14/15	209	181
Q2/14/15	187	111
Q1/14/15	68	70
Q4/13/14	180	299

Annual Target: 2014/15 - 230
2013/14 - 180

Indicator of good performance:
A higher number is good

↑ is the direction of improvement

Is it likely that the target will be met at the end of the year?

No

Comment on current performance (including context):

(Q4 2014/15) - Our Quarter 4 KPI figure is 48, and our quarterly cumulative figure is 229. Our Annual Target for 2014/15 of 230 housing completions has been very narrowly missed by just 1 unit, however given the minor nature of this shortfall it indicates that Housing Completion requirements for 2014/15 have been substantially met.

Corrective action proposed (if required):

(Q4 2014/15) - None proposed at this time.

It is important to note that the Council has a limited influence over housing completion figures meeting targets. The Council can encourage more building of dwellings by granting planning permission, making strategic housing site allocations through the Local Plan etc., but it does not actually build the vast majority of the dwellings, so it cannot control if and when they are completed. Even if a site is given planning permission, the state of the housing market can mean that at times, housebuilders will not complete units they have permission to build, if it is felt that they will not be sold. This means that even if the Council grants sufficient permissions, it cannot guarantee a completion rate.