

APPENDIX H - Average time in Emergency Temporary Accommodation

As requested at the Performance and Contracts Management Committee of the 23rd July, the average time (weeks) in Emergency Temporary Accommodation (ETA) is reported below:

2013/14 (as previously reported)				2014/15
Quarter 1 (Apr-Jun)	Quarter 2 (Jul-Sept)	Quarter 3 (Oct-Dec)	Quarter 4 (Jan-Mar)	Quarter 1 (Apr-Jun)
31.7	34.6	41.1	43.8	46

As reported in Quarter 4 2014/15, the increase in the average length of stay is expected as work has been focused on finding alternative accommodation for those more recently placed in ETA. The more recent ETA is the most expensive accommodation for the Council and for tenants, reflecting the continuing increased prices in the London housing market.

Those households spending the longest time in ETA tend to be:

- Those with more complex needs for whom finding suitable alternative accommodation is more challenging
- Those who are in affordable accommodation procured some time ago where moving them will potentially mean to accommodation with higher rents presenting increased costs for both the household and the council
- Those in accommodation that meets their needs in terms of both size, location and affordability

No households are placed in Bed and Breakfast accommodation or accommodation with shared facilities. All ETA is currently self-contained accommodation.

The average length of time in ETA is expected to continue to rise in the medium term.