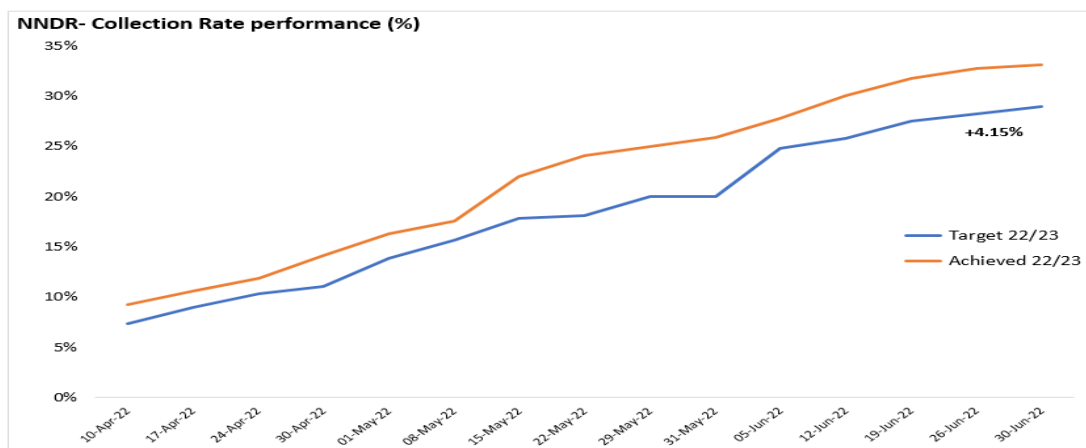


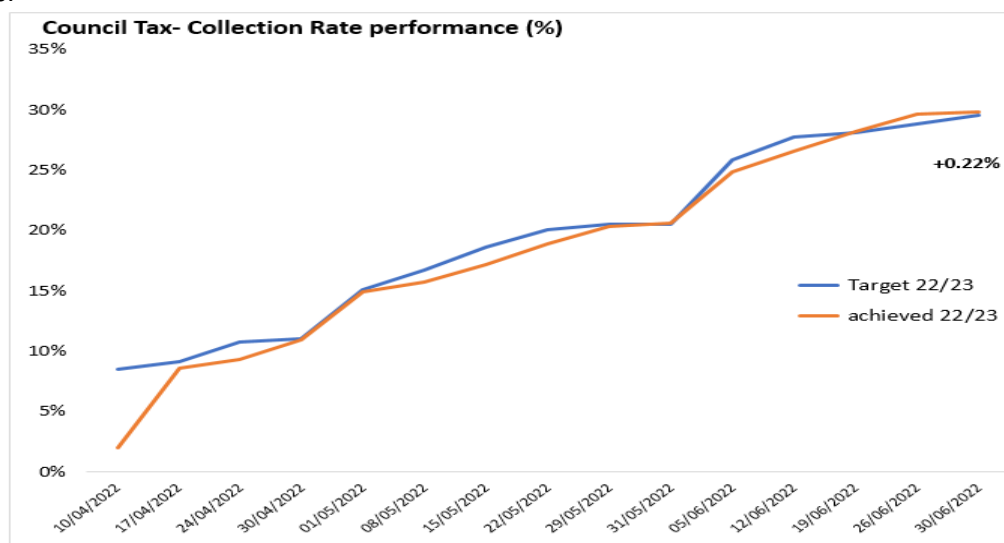
Appendix B – Council Tax and Business Rates Performance

Business Rates

The Council's collection rate for **Business Rates income is 4.15% ahead of target for 2022/23** after being behind target by 11.3% in September 2021/22. As reported in 2021/22 it was expected over the course of the year the collection rate will gradually improve and has now gone ahead of target.



Collection rate for **Council Tax income collection is 0.22% ahead of target**. This performance will remain under close observation throughout 2022/23 especially as the economy recovers and government road map progresses.



On the 3rd of February the Chancellor announced a [new Council Tax Energy Rebate support package](#) to help households with the rising energy bills which will see households living in properties in Band A-D eligible for a £150 rebate in their council tax bills. The Government will refund local authorities for the cost of the rebate, as well as extra funding to help with the increased administrative costs. Local authorities will also receive £144m (nationally) discretionary funding to help people with their energy bills who are not eligible for the £150 rebate.

The Council's Revenue and Benefits team have estimated that 76,821 households are eligible for this rebate, all of which have now either received a payment or a credit on their council tax account. The Council is now in the process of setting up the discretionary scheme.

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