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Housing Quality Indicators (HQIs) look to assess housing schemes in terms of quality rather than in terms of financial value or simply achieving minimum standards.

The calculation assesses a housing project in three main categories: Location, Design and Performance. These three categories produce ten individual indicators that produce a score expressed as a percentage. Whilst a percentage score is easy to understand in numerical terms, it is equally important to focus on “quality profiles” which show the strengths and weaknesses of a scheme.

HQIs are an essential requirement of the current Homes and Community Corporation Scheme Development Standards for social housing schemes attracting Housing Association Grant Funding.

The Vinden Partnership has carried out in excess of a thousand HQI calculations for over 50 housing associations, developers and consultant clients. Our familiarity with the HQI calculation process means we offer a cost-effective solution to your HQI calculation requirements.



- **HQI scores carried out directly onto the HCA's online IMS system**
- **Advice on improvement of HQI scores to meet HCA requirements**
- **Calculations produced at all key stages of the development/ construction process**
- **Early warning if changes to a scheme impact on HQI scores thereby potentially affecting Grant Funding**
- **Issue of regular summary reports listing all schemes and scores which act as a useful reminder when development information is required**

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