



Response to Request for Information

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Trading Standards

Request:

1. What was your allocated budget for trading standards in each of the years 2010/11, 2011/12, 2012/13, 2013/14 and 2014/15?

10/11 - £ 1.151,000
11/12 - £ 1.157,000
12/13 - £ 1.074,000
13/14 - £ 1.073,000
14/15 - £ 716,000

- 2 How many trading standards inspections took place in each of the years 2010/11, 2011/12, 2012/13, 2013/14 and 2014/15?

10/11, 11/12 and 13/13 – we have no data as we changed recording systems and the visit data for premises was not migrated across
13/14 -157 visits
14/15 - 72 visits

- 3 Do you regularly carryout inspections or do you now operate a reactive service to complaints or intelligence received?

Trading Standards Officers carry out interventions based on intelligence which is itself informed through other information such as consumer complaints. The service also conducts surveys and other inspection based activity but once again this is response to complaints or other intelligence which indicates a problem. Intervention is risk based.

4. How many trading standards enforcements took place in each of the years 2010/11, 2011/12, 2012/13, 2013/14 and 2014/15?

Clarification sought on question but yet to receive a response.