

CORPORATE SERVICES – 25/13

REQUEST

For the years 2011-2012, and 2012-2013 -

- 1) How much money has been detected as being claimed fraudulently, in regard to all Benefits administered by TDC, in total.
- 2) How many people were detected as having made fraudulent claims and received money/benefit
- 3) How many people were detected as having made fraudulent claims and did not receive any money/benefit
- 4) Of those people detected as having received money/benefit due to their fraudulent claims -
 - a) how many were charged with a criminal offence?
 - b) how many were dealt with by way of a police caution?
 - c) how many were dealt with by any sanction TDC administered and what was/were those sanctions?
 - d) how many were not dealt with under the above 3 questions and the reasons for not doing so
- 5) In regard to 4a (persons charged) how many persons were convicted and what was the average sentence?
- 6) Of the total money obtained fraudulently, how much has been recovered and by what means?

RESPONSE

- 1) How much money has been detected as being claimed fraudulently, in regard to all Benefits administered by TDC, in total.

2011/12 - £293,647.00 2012/13 - £302,889.00

- 2) How many people were detected as having made fraudulent claims and received money/benefit

2011/12 - 96 2012/13 - 69

- 3) How many people were detected as having made fraudulent claims and did not receive any money/benefit

No stats for this question.

- 4) Of those people detected as having received money/benefit due to their fraudulent claims -

- a) how many were charged with a criminal offence?

2011/12 - 27 2012/13 - 17

- b) how many were dealt with by way of a police caution?

Do not use Police cautions

- c) how many were dealt with by any sanction TDC administered and what was/were those sanctions?

**2011/12 Caution 40 Administrative Penalty 29 2012/13 - Caution 28
Administrative Penalty 24**

- d) how many were not dealt with under the above 3 questions and the reasons for not doing so

No stats for this question

- 5) In regard to 4a (persons charged) how many persons were convicted and what was the average sentence?

2011/12 Average Fine £307.90 Average Costs £383.75 Average Community Punishment (unpaid work) in hours 102.50

2011/13 Average Fine £677.00 Average Costs £763.42 Average Community Punishment (unpaid work) in hours 138.00

6) Of the total money obtained fraudulently, how much has been recovered and by what means?

£277397.56

£113542.36 by council tax account
£48777.28 by deductions from housing benefit
£113769.12 by invoice
£1308.80 by compensation order from the court

Please note that the figures for 2012/13 are up to 28 February 2013 as the stats for March will not be completed until the end of the month.