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REQUEST

How much did you spend in each of the last four financial years (2010/11, 2011/12, 2012/13, 2013/14) and have you budgeted for the current financial year (2014/15) on each of the following:

- (a) Consultants
- (b) Agency staff
- (c) Street cleaning

RESPONSE

Further to your FOI request submitted on 9 November, I can confirm that the Authority holds the information requested. However, we are withholding the information in respect of part (c) street cleaning as we consider that the exemption under Section 43 (2) applies to it. Street Cleaning is part of our Waste Contract and it is considered that this information is commercially sensitive and to disclose it could give a commercial advantage to competitors in the event of any future tenders for this Contract. In all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

Please find below the answers to questions (a) and (b)

- (a) Consultants – We do not have any consultants.
- (b) Agency staff

Financial Year	Actual £
2010/11	64,926.70
2011/12	8,452.98
2012/13	110,787.06
2013/14	262,490.73
2014/15 Estimate	165,900.00