

FOI 230/2015

REQUEST

Following the General election of 2015 could we please enquire as to how many tellers/counters were employed your local authority in order to action the count and provide the result of the ballot for both the local elections and the election of MP's to the house of commons?

Additionally to the above if a figure is known for the employment of the staff for this event is known could that additionally be provided?

RESPONSE

Further to your FOI request submitted on 11 May, although Acting Returning Officers are not covered by the Freedom of Information Act 2000, I can confirm that 84 counters were appointed to verify all ballot boxes and count the UK Parliamentary Election votes and 90 counters were appointed to count the votes cast in the local elections.

Although precise payments for these activities are yet to be finalised, they will be in accordance with the maximum recoverable amounts permitted within the relevant Charges Order 2015 and scale of District and Parish election fees and charges.