

FOI 452/2016

REQUEST

If possible, could you please provide me with the following information for your local authority area:

Where provisions to tackle antisocial behaviour contained in the **Antisocial Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014** (Injunction to Prevent Nuisance and Annoyance, Community Protection Notice, Public Space Protection Order, Criminal Behaviour Order) have been used against **rough sleeping** (see below for a definition of rough sleeping) or associated behaviours (e.g. placement of material deemed to be bedding on the floor; sleeping in public; sleeping out after dark), how many of the following interventions have been made for **failing to comply** with any of the measures, between the Act's implementation in October 2014 and April 2016:

- a) Prosecutions
- b) Convictions
- c) Fixed Penalty Notices
- d) Cautions
- e) Fines
- f) Prison sentences

If possible within the cost limits, could you give the demographic breakdown of the aggregate number of interventions? So looking at prosecutions, convictions, Fixed Penalty Notices, cautions, fines and prison sentences as one whole group, what is the demographic breakdown (gender, nationality, ethnicity and whether adult or child) of this group?

And also, how many of each of these **early interventions** commonly used to resolve antisocial behaviour before resorting to provisions in the Antisocial Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014, have been used to tackle rough sleeping or associated behaviours (e.g. placement of material deemed to be bedding on the floor; sleeping in public; sleeping out after dark) between the Act's implementation in October 2014 and April 2016:

- a) Warnings
- b) Community Remedies
- c) Mediation
- d) Acceptable Behaviour Contracts
- e) Referrals to support or counselling services
- f) Community Protection Notice Warnings

If possible within the costs limits, could you give the demographic breakdown of the aggregate number of these early interventions? So looking at warnings, community

remedies, mediations, Acceptable Behaviour Contracts, and referrals to support or counselling services as one whole group, what is the demographic breakdown (gender, nationality, ethnicity and whether adult or child) of this group?

Could you clarify whether you are only recording data on interventions for failing to comply for cases that your authority is responsible for.

Definition of rough sleeping:

***Rough sleeping** means that you do not have anywhere to sleep in. People bedding down in doorways, cars, derelict buildings, sheds, tents (excluding campsites) or any other place that is not designed and is unsuitable for people to sleep in are classed as sleeping rough.*

RESPONSE

I can confirm that this Authority does have a PSPO in place, but it does not include rough sleeping, so therefore I have no information to disclose.