

FOI 509/2016

REQUEST

I request the following information:-

1. The number of fixed penalty notices ("FPNs") issued under the Public Spaces Protection Order introduced by Tendring District Council on 1 July 2016 (the "PSPO") for breach of the following provisions:-
 - a. persistent begging;
 - b. sitting in shop doorways or loitering in the designated area on more than one occasion;
 - c. remaining in a public toilet without excuse.
2. The number of FPNs issued under the PSPO for breach of each of the above provisions which were not paid within the period set out in the FPN.
3. The number of prosecutions pursued before the Magistrates' Court in respect of any breach of the PSPO. Please provide the offence for which each prosecution took place and the outcome of any concluded prosecutions; and
4. In relation to 3 above, in relation to how many of those prosecutions had the defendant been issued with a FPN under the PSPO but failed to pay it within the relevant period.

RESPONSE

From 1st July 2016 to 31st October 2016 there have been 8 FPN's issued for loitering and / or drinking in the designated area of the PSPO.

None for begging, none for remaining in a toilet without reasonable excuse.

None issued for breach / not paid within the period.

None prosecuted before the Magistrates Court

None related to above (prosecutions – n/a)

The above response covers all fixed penalty notices or prosecutions carried out under the PSPO in question, the fixed penalty notices on these occasions have been issued either by the Police or by the Council as we are jointly patrolling the PSPO area.

Essex Police are also able to issue fixed penalty notices in relation to the PSPO.