

Response to Request for Information

Reference FOI 000086
Date 20 April 2016

Independent Reviewing Officers

Request:

I would like to request the following information under the Freedom of Information Act:

- 1) How many Independent Reviewing Officers were permanently employed by the council as at the following dates (or nearest available date for which the figure is available):
 - a) April 1 2014
 - b) April 1 2015
 - c) April 1 2016Please give the numbers as full-time equivalent.

- 2) How many agency or contractor Independent Reviewing Officers were employed by the council at:
 - a) April 1 2014
 - b) April 1 2015
 - c) April 1 2016Please give the numbers as full-time equivalent.

- 3) What was the average caseload for Independent Reviewing Officers each month during the financial years:
 - a) April 2014 - March 2015
 - b) April 2015 - March 2016
 - c) Financial year April 2016 – March 2017 so far?

- 4) Does the council have a target caseload for Independent Reviewing Officers, and if so, what is it?

In response to your request we can confirm the following:

Date	FTE	Agency Staff	Caseload
01.04.2014	11	Unavailable	Unavailable
01.04.2015	11	1	72.4
01.04.2016	9.5	3	76.7

Target caseload is: We follow the statutory guidance which states the average caseload should be between 50–70.