

Response to Request for Information

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Antisocial Behaviour – Rough Sleeping

Request:

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 - 0
- b) Convictions - 0
- c) Fixed Penalty Notices - 0
- d) Cautions - 0
- e) Fines - 0
- f) Prison sentences - 0

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 - 0

b) Community Remedies - 0

c) Mediation - 0

d) Acceptable Behaviour Contracts - 0

e) Referrals to support or counselling services - Early-morning outreach patrols (attended by the ASB Team, Homeless Services, Police, Recovery Near You, P3) take place monthly. Advice/support is regularly offered to rough sleepers but we do not keep a record of the number of times this is offered

f) Community Protection Notice Warnings - 0

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? – N/A

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