



Response to Request for Information

Reference FOI 1015133
Date 27 October 2015

Work of the Local Authority's Director of Public Health

Request and response in 'blue':

I wish to make eight separate requests under the Freedom of Information Act. This will be information relating to the work of the Local Authority's Director of Public Health.

If obtaining the information for request 8 is likely to exceed cost limits then I would be willing for the data to be provided for one or two of the years that I have specified.

- 1) Does the Local Authority's Director of Public Health have an estimate for the number of:
 - a) Dependent drinkers within your local authority area?
 - b) Hazardous drinkers within your local authority area?

Yes to both

- 2) Does the Local Authority's Director of Public Health have an estimate for the number of children in your local authority area in;
 - a) Families with a dependent drinker(s)
 - b) Families with a hazardous drinker(s)

Yes to both

- 3) Can the Local Authority's Director of Public Health provide me with the estimates referenced in request 1 and 2?

Our estimate is 5 – 10% of children are affected by parental alcohol problems

Website for national information -

LAPE <http://www.lape.org.uk/downloads/alcholestimates2011.pdf>

- 4) Does the Local Authority's Director of Public Health have in place a strategy of support for children of:
 - a) Dependent drinkers

b) Hazardous drinkers

Yes, this is an explicit component of the families in focus programme which seeks to support the whole family (part of the national troubled families programme).

5) If so can I;

- a) Have a copy of the strategy referenced in request 4 and;
- b) Have an estimate of the budget provision made for this support

Alcohol strategy attached.

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- 6) Can the Local Authority's Director of Public Health provide me with an estimate for the number of referrals in your area made for treatments for alcohol misuse in the last year for which data is available?

This is available from the provider, Recovery Near You (RNY)

- 7) Can the Local Authority's Director of Public Health provide me with an estimate for the amount spent on treatments for alcohol misuse in the last year for which data is available?

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- 8) Can the Local Authority's Director of Public Health provide me with an estimate for the amount your local authority area is forecast to spend on treatments for alcohol misuse in:

- a) 2015/16
- b) 2016/17
- c) 2017/18

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