



South Somerset District Council

Freedom of Information Act (2000) & Environmental Information Regulation (2004)

Information Request Reference Number: 436

RESPONSE

You have asked South Somerset District Council for the following information:-

I'd like to make a Freedom of Information request to your council in relation to low level crime and the use of powers to tackle anti-social behaviour through the Anti-social Behaviour Crime and Policing Act 2014.

Commentary on the return

The figures are dominated by the petty vandalism category. This is because this local authority is not involved with the local enforcement of these types of issues. South Somerset DC does not have its own housing stock, so locally these issues are dealt with either by the police or local housing associations. Where CPNs have been used these have tended to be issues around accumulations of rubbish on private land.

Q1) The total number of formal complaints registered with your council for low level crime including but not limited to; excessive noise, anti-social behaviour (hate crimes), intimidation, drunkenness & drugs, petty vandalism in the following years?

a) 2016/17: 9

b) 2017/18: 25

c) 2018/19: 34

Q2) How many formal complaints noted above did your council actively go on to investigate? Please respond for each financial year

a) 2016/17: 0

b) 2017/18: 1

c) 2018/19: 4

Q3) If possible please provide a breakdown of these formal complaints from Q1 and how many were actively investigated from Q2. Please respond for each financial year 2016/17, 2017/18, 2018/19

a) excessive noise	0	0	0
b) anti-social behaviour	0	1	4
c) intimidation	0	0	0
d) drunkenness & drugs	0	0	0
e) petty vandalism	9	24	30



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Q4 Of all incidents investigated in Question 2, how many times did your council take further action including (but not limited to) an ASB Case Review, community protection notices and public spaces protection orders and fines? Please respond for each financial year

- a) 2016/17 0
- b) 2017/18 1
- c) 2018/19 4

Q5) How much money has your council paid in compensation for complaints not followed through with appropriate action as in Q2 & Q4, or within the proper time frame in the following years?

- a) 2016/17 0
- b) 2017/18 0
- c) 2018/19 0

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