



Reference: FOI4447

Request:

I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request the following information:

- How many traffic wardens were operational in your borough between January 1st 2020 and July 31st 2020?

North Tyneside Council was designated a Decriminalised Parking Authority by Order made under the Road Traffic Act and has been undertaking civil enforcement of parking and waiting restrictions since July 2007. The term "traffic warden" relates to parking enforcement officers that were utilised by the Police under previous legislation. Civil Parking Enforcement is undertaken under the powers of the Traffic Management Act 2004 and under this legislation a parking enforcement officer is known as a Civil Enforcement Officer.

The Council outsourced a number of its central "technical" services to Capita under a long-term contract that commenced on 01 November 2012. The arrangement will last until 2022 but may be extended to 2027. The parking enforcement function is undertaken by the Parking Control team, which is one of the services provided to the Council by Capita, which is a private company and as such is exempt from the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act.

- What was their combined payroll cost?

Please see the above response.

- How many parking tickets were issued in that time period?

In the period 01 January 2020 to 31 July 2020, 8706 penalty charge notices were issued for parking contraventions.

- How much was collected in fines in that time period?

The Council cannot break down the income received from parking contraventions from the income received from bus lane contraventions. All the income is received in the same fund stream and includes payments made in this period for penalty charge notices that may have been issued for parking and bus lane contraventions in previous periods/years. In the period 01 January 2020 to 31 July 2020, this Council received £285,052.00 in income from penalty charge notices.