



Reference: RFI 1711096

Request:

I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request the following information from North Tyneside Council.

I'm interested in obtaining specific information regarding the public health expenditure of North Tyneside Council for the period 2013-2016.

1. Please provide a summary breakdown of the public health spend for North Tyneside Council in each of the last 5 years (2013-2017 inclusive).

- I'm interested in receiving a detailed account of the public health spend of North Tyneside Council, and more specifically how the public health spend was distributed across the different services it covers for the period indicated above.

Please see links below to the Revenue Outturn Social Care and Public Health Services (RO3) published on the Government's website, which provides a breakdown of expenditure for Public Health Services for each local authority for each financial year.

2016/17 <https://www.gov.uk/government/statistics/local-authority-revenue-expenditure-and-financing-england-2016-to-2017-individual-local-authority-data-outturn>

2015/16 <https://www.gov.uk/government/statistics/local-authority-revenue-expenditure-and-financing-england-2015-to-2016-individual-local-authority-data-outturn>

2014/15 <https://www.gov.uk/government/statistical-data-sets/local-authority-revenue-expenditure-and-financing-england-2014-to-2015-individual-local-authority-data-outturn>

2013/14 <https://www.gov.uk/government/statistics/local-authority-revenue-expenditure-and-financing-england-2013-to-2014-individual-local-authority-data-outturn>

2. Please provide a summary breakdown of the Sexual and Reproductive Health (SRH) spend of North Tyneside Council was distributed in each of the last 5 years (2013-2017 inclusive).

- My understanding is that SRH spend covers a range of services including, but not exclusively, contraception provision and advice, sexual health treatment and advice, pregnancy related care, abortion related care, cervical screening, psychosexual therapy, PMS treatment, colposcopy services, fertility treatment and care and gynaecological treatment and care. I'm interested in receiving detailed outline of the spend of North Tyneside Council for each of these services for the period indicated above.

Please see response to Q1

3. Please provide a breakdown of the spend for sexual health treatment and advice in each of the last five years (2013-2017 inclusive).

- I would like to receive a detailed account of the spend of North Tyneside Council within the sexual health treatment and advice service area specifically. I'm looking for an outline of the specific services provided and the associated spend for each service.

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Please see response to Q1

- 4. What was **the total spend on chlamydia screening** in North Tyneside Council in each of the last 5 years (2013-2017 inclusive)?

Year	£
2013/14	108,380
2014/15	106,550
2015/16 (6 months' cost)	51,149

In October 2015, chlamydia screening became part of the commissioned Integrated Sexual Health Service, and therefore we cannot provide the individual cost for this service for financial year 2016-17 or 2017-18.

- 5. To the best of your knowledge, **are you budgeting more or less spending on chlamydia testing** for future years?

The current contract for the integrated sexual health service includes chlamydia screening, and the overall value of the commissioned service will be reduced in 2018/19 in line with the contractual agreement.

- 6. Has North Tyneside Council met the **PHE recommendation of an annual diagnosis rate of at least 2,300 per 100,000 15-24 year olds** per year in each of the last 5 years (2013-2017 inclusive)?

North Tyneside has met the PHE recommendation of an annual diagnosis rate of at least 2,300 per 100,000 15-24 year olds with the exception of 2015 where the rate fell just below the recommended diagnosis rate. Data in relation to 2017 is not available yet.

North Tyneside Chlamydia Detection Rates (15 - 24 year olds)	
Period	Value (per 100,000)
2013	2440
2014	2582
2015	2291
2016	2562

Source: Public Health England Fingertips Tool

<https://fingertips.phe.org.uk/profile/public-health-outcomes-framework/data#page/4/gid/1000043/pat/6/par/E12000001/ati/102/are/E08000022/iid/90776/age/156/sex>

- 7. Has North Tyneside Council met the **PHE recommendation for providing integrated services** by ensuring 70% of all chlamydia tests are delivered via primary care services (GP surgeries, community pharmacies), SRH services (including abortion providers) or GUM services?

Yes

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8. What have been **the biggest challenges** for North Tyneside Council in reaching the National Chlamydia Screening Target? (e.g. budget, marketing)

North Tyneside has not faced any major challenges

9. Thinking about chlamydia screening and treatment specifically, **what resources does North Tyneside Council needs the most to effectively control chlamydia** through early detection and treatment of the infection? (e.g. budget, technical resources, staff, marketing)

A well resource integrated sexual health service to lead the delivery of an effective screening programme.

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