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Request:

Could you provide information on the number of times you have moved travellers on, how long it takes, as well as the costs of moving them on.

Could you provide this in table form for the past three financial years, or up until the most recent date that you hold records to. If it is possible, I would like this part of the response in table form.

I would like the date you were alerted to each incident in the first row.

Could you then provide corresponding rows for:

- length of time it took to move the travellers on See details below
- cost in legal fees to obtain and deliver directions to leave to travellers, and to
 obtain court date and summons to evict them 5 Traveller cases from 2014 2017
 have resulted in court fees of a total of £1900 being incurred.
- **cost of booking bailiffs and paying bailiffs to remove travellers** No bailiff Fee has ever been incurred as travellers have always moved on receipt of the Possession order.
- cost of clean up after removal Information not held
- cost of target hardening/ improving defences to prevent travellers returning -Unknown
- any additional costs None

Could you also total the costs for each year and give the average number of time it took to move travellers on each year.

<u>Travellers Instances</u> <u>1/4/16 – 31/3/17</u>

- 1) Land at Church Road Backworth reported 4/4/16. Site vacated 13/4/16.
- 2) Northumbrian Quays Car Park reported 19/5/15, Notice served by Parking Control 20/4/16.
- 3) Brierdene Car Park Whitley Bay reported 3/5/16, Site vacated 5/5/16.
- 4) Land at Lockey Park, Wideopen reported 17/05/16 at 08:30am. Site vacated 18/05/16.
- 5) Land at Birchwood, Wideopen reported 18/05/16. Site vacated 22/05/16.
- 6) Land at Arrow Close, Killingworth reported 20/05/16. Site vacated 23/05/16.
- 7) Land at Burnbridge, Seaton Burn reported 09:25am 23/05/16. Site confirmed to be vacated 9:50pm 23/05/16.
- 8) Silverbirch Industrial Estate Killingworth reported 25/5/16. Site vacated 31/5/16.
- 9) Silverbirch Industrial Estate Killingworth reported 20/6/16. Site vacated 20/6/16.

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Land at Cobalt Business Park – reported 21/6/16. notice served 21/6/16 by S Maddison & police.

<u>Travellers Instances</u> <u>1/4/15 – 31/3/16</u>

- 1) Trinity Road Whitley Bay reported 11/5/15 Site vacated 12/5/15.
- 2) Low Lights car park North Shields reported 12/10/15. Site vacated 13/10/15.

<u>Travellers Instances</u> <u>1/4/14 – 31/3/15</u>

- 1) Flatworth Playing Fields North Shields notice served 22/4/14 Site vacated 25/4/14.
- 2) Flatworth Playing Fields North Shields notice served 6/5/14. Site vacated 8/5/14 (same group of travellers as in 1 above).
- 3) Land at Benton Lane notice served 16/5/14. Site vacated 19/5/14.
- 4) Flatworth Playing Fields North Shields notice served 2/6/14 Site vacated 5/6/14.
- 5) Northumbrian Quay Car Park North Shields travellers arrived 9/12/14. Notice served 10/12/14. Site vacated 10/12/14.
- 6) Burn Closes Wallsend travellers arrived 11/12/14, Notice served 12/12/14. Site vacated am 18/12/14.

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