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Dear Mr Wagstaff

Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Information Request 523

Your request for information has now been considered and the information you have requested is enclosed.

I hope this is the information you are seeking. If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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Request made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

- 1) Please supply the amount in total, of authorised "Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000" (RIPA) Investigations, undertaken over the past 5 years by West Lindsey District Council?

The table below contains information from the RIPA register of Authorisation for Directed Surveillance over the last 5 years.

- 2) Please Indicate the purpose of these RIPA Investigations & authorisations Individually?

The table below provides information on the purpose of the investigation.

- 3) Supply in detail the specific cost to West Lindsey District Council Authority on an individual basis, of the RIPA Investigations now concluded?



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No records are kept of the costs of individual RIPA investigations.

4) Specify the specific level, or position of the personnel within West Lindsey District Council Authority, who signed or gave authorisation for these Investigations individually, case by case?

The table shows the position of the person authorising the surveillance.

The position of the authorising officer from Register number 26 is Director.

5) Please Indicate specifically the outcome or conclusion of individual Investigations undertaken and concluded?

The table shows the enforcement actions taken which are considered to be the outcome of the investigation.

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request please contact the Director of Strategy & Regeneration, West Lindsey District Council, Guildhall, Marshall's Yard, Gainsborough, Lincs, DN21 2NA

Yours sincerely

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Director Neighbourhoods and Health

REGULATION OF INVESTIGATORY POWERS ACT 2000

| Register number | Department seeking authorisation | Purpose of Investigation/suspected offence | Date authorised | Detail's of enforcement action | Location | Time | Position of authorising person |
|-------------------|----------------------------------|--|-----------------|--------------------------------|----------|------|----------------------------------|
| 6 | Revenues | Benefits Fraud | 17.10.03 | | | | Head of Service |
| 7 | Revenues | Benefits Fraud | 31.10.03 | | | | Director |
| 8 | Revenues | Benefits Fraud | 18.11.03 | | | | Head of Service |
| 9 | Revenues | Benefits Fraud | 06.01.04 | | | | Director |
| 10 | Revenues | Benefits Fraud | 02.02.04 | | | | Director |
| 11 | Revenues | Benefits Fraud | 07.04.04 | | | | Director |
| 11(a) | Revenues | Benefits Fraud | 14.04.04 | | | | Director |
| 12 | Anti-Social | Anti-Social behaviour | 19.05.04 | | | | Asst. Chief Executive |
| 13 | Waste Management | | 21.05.04 | | | | Chief Executive |
| 14 | Waste Management | | 21.05.04 | | | | Chief Executive |
| 15 | Revenues | Benefits Fraud | 16.06.04 | | | | Director |
| 15 (a) | Revenues | Benefits Fraud | 09.07.04 | | | | Director |
| 16 | Benefits | Benefits Fraud | | | | | Asst. Chief Executive |
| 17 | Licencing | | | | | | Asst. Chief Executive |
| 18 | Benefits | Benefits Fraud | | | | | Asst. Chief Executive |
| 19 | Benefits | Benefits Fraud | | | | | Department of Works and Pensions |
| 20 | Benefits | Benefits Fraud | | | | | Assistant Chief Executive |
| 21 | Benefits | Benefits Fraud | | | | | Department of Works and Pensions |
| 21 _(a) | Benefits | Benefits Fraud | | | | | Department of Works and Pensions |
| 22 | Benefits | Benefits Fraud | | | | | Department of Works and Pensions |
| 23 | Benefits | Benefits Fraud | | | | | Assistant Chief Executive |
| 24 | Revenues | Benefits Fraud | | | | | Head of Service |
| 25 | Benefits | Benefits Fraud | | | | | Head of Service |
| 26 | Anti-Social Behaviour | | | | | | Director |
| 27 | Personnel | | | | | | |
| 28 | Personnel | | | | | | |
| 29 | Benefits | Benefit Fraud | | | | | |
| 30 | Revenues | Benefit Fraud | | | | | |
| 31 | Waste Management | | | | | | |

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| 32 | Revenues | Benefit Fraud | | | | | |
| 33 | Revenues | Benefit Fraud | | | | | |
| 34 | Revenues | Benefit Fraud | 28.11.05 | Action pending | | | |
| 35 | Revenues | Benefit Fraud | 29.03.06 | Prosecution taken – Not Guilty | Beckett Avenue | 7.45am – 9.30am | |
| 36 | Revenues | Benefit Fraud | 03.04.06 | | | | |
| 37 | Revenues | Benefit Fraud | 17/5/06 | | Brocklesby Close | | |
| 38 | Revenues | Benefit Fraud | 13/6/06 | | | 5.30pm – 6.30pm | |
| 39 | Revenues | Benefit Fraud | 6/06 | | Saxilby | 5.15am – 6.15am | |
| 40 | Environmental Health | Flytipping | 5/7/06 | | Dickenson Terrace | 12 weeks | |
| 41 | Environmental Health | Dog fouling | 11/7/06 | Fixed Penalty notice paid | Sandsfield Lane | 12 weeks | |
| 42 | Revenues | Benefit Fraud | 10/7/06 | | | 6.30pm – 7.30pm | |
| 43 | Revenues | Benefit Fraud | 24/8/06 | | Bishop Norton | 7.00am – 11.00am | |
| 44 | Revenues | Benefit Fraud | 25/7/06 | | St George Mews | 5.15am – 11.00pm | |
| 45 | Environmental Protection | Flytipping | 5/9/06 | Fixed penalty notices issued | Ermine Street | 12 weeks | |
| 46 | Revenues | Benefit Fraud | 20/9/06 | Successful prosecution | Chapel Street | 12 weeks | |
| 47 | Revenues | Benefit Fraud | 23/10/06 reviewed 24/10/06 | | Sands Lane | 7.15am – 8.15am + 5.15pm – 6.15pm, | |
| 48 | Revenues | Benefit Fraud | 4/1/07 | | St Georges Mews | 7.15am – 8.15am + 5.15pm – 6.15pm | |
| 49 | Revenues | Benefit Fraud | 5/12/06 | | Dunstall Walk | 7.15am – 8.15am + 5.15pm – 6.15pm | |
| 50 | Environmental Protection | Flytipping | 19/12/06 | Fixed Penalty Notice paid | Noel Street | | |
| 50 (a) | Environmental Protection | Flytipping | 4/1/07 | Fixed Penalty notice paid | Noel Street | | |
| 51 | Environmental Protection | Flytipping | 16.02.07 | | Kettleby | 1.00pm | |
| 52 | Environmental Protection | Flytipping | 05.03.07 | | North of Lincoln | | |
| 53 | Revenues | Benefit fraud | 02.03.07 | Prosecution successful. | Harpwell Close | 5.45am – 6.45pm & 5.45pm – 6.30pm | |
| 54 | Revenues | Benefit Fraud | 23.03.07 | | St Augustine Close, Lincoln | 4.45pm – 5.45pm | |
| 55 | Revenues | Benefit Fraud | 26.03.07 | | Heapham Road | 10.45am – 11.45am | |

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| 56 | Revenues | Benefit Fraud | 2/5/07 | | Old Forge Lane West Rasen | 8.30am – 9.30am | |
| 57 | Antisocial behaviour | Antisocial behaviour/ noise | 9/5/07 | | Kirmond Le Mire | | |
| 58 | Environmental Protection | Flytipping | 4/5/07 reviewed 17/5/07 | Prosecution | Ermine Street | | |
| 59 | Environmental Protection | Flytipping | 9/3/07 | | Union Street Market Rasen | | |
| 60 | Revenues | Benefit Fraud | 17/5/07 reviewed 31/5/07 | | Theaker Avenue | 8.30am – 10.30am | |
| 61 | Environmental Protection | Flytipping | 18/06/07 | | Noel Street | | |
| 62 | Environmental Protection | Flytipping | 22.06.07 | | A46 | | |
| 63 | Environmental Protection | Flytipping | 8/08/07 | | Foxby Lane | | |
| 64 | Environmental Protection | Flytipping | 08/08/07 reviewed 10/08/07 | | Bridge Street, Saxilby | | |
| 65 | Environmental Protection | Flytipping | 19/09/07 | Successful prosecution | Cannon Street. Lincoln | | |
| 66 | Environmental Protection | Noise nuisance | 29/10/07 | | Maltings Crt, Marker Rasen | | |
| 67 | Neighbourhood Services | Flytipping | 13/11/07 | | A1084 | 2 weeks | |
| 68 | Neighbourhood Services | Noise nuisance | 05/12/07 | | Grasby Close | | |
| 69 | Revenues | Benefit Fraud | 07.02.08 reviewed 15.02.08 18.03.08 01.04.08 | Fraud proven No sanction | Hemswell Cliff | | |
| 70 | Neighbourhood Services | Flytipping and arson | 18.03.08 | | Dunstall Walk | | |
| 71 | Revenues | Benefit Fraud | 17.04.08 | Prosecution pending | Trinity Street | 8.00am – 9.00am | |
| 72 | Revenues | Benefit Fraud | 14.05.08 | Prosecution pending | Queensway Saxilby | 7.00am – 6.30pm | |
| 73 | Revenues | Benefit Fraud | 18.06.08 | Prosecution pending | Queensway Saxilby | 6.30pm – 7.30pm | |
| 74 | Revenues | Benefit Fraud | 19.06.08 | Still under investigation | Sturton by Stowe | Tues/Fri pm | |
| 75 | Revenues | Defrauding as employees and illegal driving | 24.06.08 | | Saxilby | 7.00am | |
| 76 | Revenues | Benefit Fraud | 30.06.08 | | Chapel Street, Market Rasen. | 4.30pm – 5.30pm | |
| 77 | Revenues | Benefit Fraud | 30.06.08 | | Deer Street | 5.30pm – 6.30pm | |
| 78 | Antisocial behaviour | Criminal and Antisocial behaviour | 29.07.08 | CRASBO previously granted | Gainsborough | | |

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| 79 | Revenues | Benefit Fraud | 13.08.08 | Closed no fraud | Deer Street, Market Rasen | 5.30pm – 6.30pm | |
| 80 | Neighbourhoods | Flytipping | 28.08.08 | | Wharton Hill, Blyton | | |
| 81 | Neighbourhoods | Flytipping | 25.09.08 | | Queen Street, Market Rasen | | |
| 82 | Revenues | Benefit Fraud | 20.10.08 27.10.08 Change of circumstances | Closed no fraud | Thurlby Road | | |
| 83 | Revenues | Benefit Fraud | 27.10.08 | Closed no fraud | Honeyholes Lane | 7.30am | |
| 84 | Revenues | Benefit Fraud | 13.11.08 | Caution pending | Meadowlands | 5.20am – 6.20am | |
| 85 | Revenues | Benefit Fraud | 12.12.08 | Still under investigation | Caenby Close | 5.20am – 6.20am | |
| 86 | Revenues | Benefit Fraud | 17.12.08 | Caution pending | Burns Street | 6am – 8am | |
| 87 | Revenues | Benefits Fraud | 07.01.09 | | Market Rasen | 6am – 8.00am | |
| 88 | Revenues | Benefits Fraud | 11.02.09 | | Cherry Willingham | 6.15am – 7.30am | |
| 89 | Antisocial behaviour | Antisocial behaviour | 23.02.09 | | Waterworks Street | | |
| 90 | Antisocial behaviour | Antisocial behaviour | 31.03.09 | | Market Rasen | | |