



## South Tyneside Council

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Date: 17<sup>th</sup> January 2014  
Our Ref: FOI 13 13256

Dear Mr Stanson

### **Freedom of Information Request**

I refer to your Freedom of Information Request received on 27<sup>th</sup> November 2013. I apologise for the delay on providing this information

Your request asked for the following information:

### **Your Request**

I am writing to request statistics for the following:  
The separate annual spend on each of these public health areas:

Sexual Health,  
Drug misuse - adults,  
Alcohol misuse,  
Smoking,  
Obesity,  
Physical activity.

I am requesting the spend for each of the public health concerns in the spending year 2012/13, and also for the coming year 2013/14.

Where the spend is spread across multiple brackets through schemes or initiatives which will, for example, focus on obesity and physical activity, please apportion the correct amount of funding that has gone to each sector's outcomes. Where this is not possible, please spread the cost evenly over each appropriate category.

### **Council's Response**

We can confirm the following information with regards your request above.

**Public Health became a local authority function with effect from 1 April 2013 so the Council does not hold information for 2012/13.**

**Based on the position as at November 2013, we have forecast the total direct cost spend for 2013/14 is in the table on the following page:**

Forecast Spend for 2013/14	£
Sexual Health	£1.679m
Drug misuse	£2.514m
Alcohol Misuse	£1.880m
Smoking	£874k
Obesity	£1.225m
Physical activity	£265k
<b>Total</b>	<b>£8.437m</b>

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If you have any further queries about this matter, please do not hesitate to contact us on (0191) 424 6539, or by emailing [foi@southtyneside.gov.uk](mailto:foi@southtyneside.gov.uk).

Yours sincerely

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