56911 Trading Standards

What was the total budgeted spending on Trading Standards in each of the last five fiscal years (April-April)?

Budgeted spending for our Trading Standards team is below for last five fiscal years.

Financial Year	Budgeted
2019-20	£595,533
2020-21	£612,589
2021-22	£628,890
2022-23	£648,914
2023-24	£694,832
2024-25	£700,993

How many complaints were made to Trading Standards in each of those five years – either via notifications from the public or other non-Trading Standards bodies?

2020/21 - 2,674

2021/22 - 1,873

2022/23 - 1,902

2023/24 - 2,132

2024/25 - 1,948

How many of the above cases in (Q2) were investigated by Trading Standards in each of those five years?

How many cases resulted in referral for prosecutions or other corrective action (e.g. were not dismissed with no further action) in that time?

How many of the complaints in Q2-Q4 involved potential Cancer Act (1939) violations, or concerns around claims to treat cancer?

We are unable to provide the information requested as the cost to the Council of locating, retrieving and providing the information exceeds the statutory maximum of £600.