65342 Closure Orders

For the period 1 January 2021 to the present data, please provide the:

Name of businesses/premises referred to Trading Standards because of suspected links to:

- money laundering
- organised crime
- fraud
- illicit tobacco/vapes
- counterfeit goods
- trafficking/exploitation
- other suspected criminal activity

Please name the business in question and provide the address.

Name and number of premises where Trading Standards:

- conducted an investigation
- conducted a joint operation with Police Scotland
- referred intelligence to Police Scotland
- referred intelligence to HMRC
- referred intelligence to the NCA
- took enforcement action

Please name the business in question and provide the address.

This information is exempt from release under the Enterprise Act 2002 (Restrictions on Disclosure).

Number of cases where officers recommended, requested or considered closure of the premises.

In those cases, what prevented closure? e.g.

- lack of statutory power
- insufficient evidence
- police declined to act
- prosecutorial considerations
- licensing/planning limitations
- other

The City of Edinburgh Council has no powers to make applications for Closure Orders.

Number of cases involving unpaid business rates, if held.

The number of times the council identified a commercial premises which it considered should be closed but where it was unable to initiate closure proceedings because it did not possess the necessary statutory power.

Such information is not recorded.