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Dear Sir/Madam

Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) Request ID: FOI350229368

Thank you for your request for information relating to Council resources required for noise complaints.

You have requested the following information:

Clarification received: If possible I'd like the information for both commercial and domestic noise complaints.

1. I'd like to know how many people are typically available to deal with noise complaints in the last six months, if possible I'd like the information broken down by day but I'll accept week or even month.

There are seven officers working a rota pattern. Over a seven-day period there are, two officers on duty per night, two officers on duty Saturday and Sunday days, and 2/3 officers on days Monday to Friday plus a team manager.

2. I'd also like to know how many people, and vehicles, were available on the evening of Saturday 17th July 2021 to deal with noise complaints.

There were two officers and one vehicle available on the requested date.

3. Can you also tell me how many people, and vehicles, would be considered sufficient for a city of over 300,000 people?

Within the budget supplied to run a service, the team of seven, plus a team manager and vehicle provides a service seven days a week service from 09.00 to 03.00am.

For either type of complaint the complaint procedure is exactly the same and, it appears to me, that the complaints are dealt with in exactly the same way i.e. someone is sent to witness the noise and it appears to be the same people/person regardless of whether the noise is commercial or domestic.

Yes, this is correct. Officers are authorised to assess statutory nuisance for domestic and commercial noise.

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Yours faithfully

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