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Dear Sir/Madam

Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) Request ID: FOI552450289

Thank you for your request for information relating to Illegal treatment of under 18s with botulinum toxin and dermal filler procedures.

You have requested the following information:

It is our understanding that in the 2022-2023 financial year, under the DHSC guidance, the Government determined that it would pay grants totalling £1,456,699 to local authorities across England to support them with expenditure lawfully incurred as a result of the Act.

While the publication of Wolverhampton's investigation has informed us that one local authority is using the available funds and taking action, we would like to know if any others have done the same. We are therefore requesting freedom of information on:

1. How many out of the 152 local authorities awarded grants have conducted investigations into the illegal treatment of under 18s with botulinum toxin and dermal filler procedures?

We confirm that Coventry City Council were awarded grants and we had conducted investigations into the illegal treatment of under 18's with botulinum toxin and dermal filler procedures.

2. How much of the grants each of the 152 local authorities have spent carrying out the investigations?

We confirm that we had spent the full amount of the grant awarded to us on carrying out these investigations, which was £1,456,699.

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