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Dear Sir/Madam

### **Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA)**

**Request ID: FOI696969284**

Thank you for your request for information relating to vaping ban funding.

You have requested the following information:

**I would like to request information under the Freedom of Information Act regarding the funding allocated to your Trading Standards body for addressing the upcoming ban on disposable vaping products, which is set to take effect in June.**

**As this new regulation will have significant implications for both retailers and consumers, it's important to understand the financial resources being put towards its enforcement. I'd appreciate it if you could provide the following information:**

**1. The total amount of funding allocated to your Trading Standards body for the enforcement of the disposable vaping product ban from June onwards (or for the current financial year, if more appropriate).**

National Trading Standards has been allocated an initial £10 million funding from central government to help Local Authority Trading Standards services meet the challenges of the forthcoming Tobacco and Vapes Bill.

**2. A breakdown of how this funding will be used**

This translates to a total of £790,818 for the Central England Trading Standards (CEnTSA) region ('our' region).

CEnTSA has collectively decided to use this money to fund nine Tobacco Control Officers (£543,285) and the remainder for storage and disposal costs (£247,533).

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Yours faithfully

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