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Dear Sir/Madam

**Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA)  
Request ID: FOI813195421**

Thank you for your request for information relating to Vape enforcement and Nicotine pouches: Black market enforcement.

You have requested the following information:

**Vape enforcement**

**1. The total budget allocated specifically to Trading Standards vape enforcement for the financial year 2025/26.**

There is no specific budget allocated to vape enforcement within trading standards.

**2. The total number of underage test purchases for vaping products conducted between April 2025 and March 2026.**

11.

**3. The number of successful prosecutions or fixed penalty notices issued to retailers for selling non-compliant or illicit vapes in the same period.**

17.

**4. The total volume (number of units) of illicit vaping products seized by the Council in 2025/26.**

4,680.

**Nicotine pouches: Black market enforcement**

**1. Since April 2025, how many inspections have been conducted at retail premises specifically regarding the sale of nicotine pouches (as distinct from vapes)?**

We do not hold this information and are advising you as per Section 1(1) of the Act. We do not record this information. Our inspection information does not identify nicotine pouches as a separate inspection type.

**2. How many nicotine pouch units have been seized by Trading Standards in the last 12 months?**

89.

**3. Of the pouches seized, what percentage were found to have a nicotine strength exceeding 20mg per pouch?**

We do not hold this information and are advising you as per Section 1(1) of the Act. We do not record this information.

**4. How many reports has the Council received regarding super-strength pouches (25mg–100mg) being sold in local convenience stores or via social media delivery services?**

No specific reports received.

**5. Has the Council issued any Fixed Penalty Notices or initiated prosecutions specifically for the sale of illicit/non-compliant nicotine pouches (under GPSR 2005) since the Tobacco and Vapes Bill was introduced?**

No.

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