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Request for Information: Ref NCC-037225-19 Lorry Watch

Thank you for your request for information relating to Lorry Watch. I can now let you have the following information in response to the questions you raised.

- a) how many 'Lorry Watch' reports (ie about suspected Heavy Goods Vehicle abuse of highways with Environmental Weight Limit restrictions), in electronic, postal or telephone call format, did Nottinghamshire County Council receive relating to weight restricted roads in and around the Town of Southwell in the 12 month period 1/4/18 to 1/4/19 inclusive. 86
- b) of the number at a), how many cases were taken up direct with the established owners/operators of the vehicles. 71
- c) of the number at b), a breakdown explaining -any shortfall between the number reported and the number contacted (eg because the weight restriction was not exceeded by the reported vehicle). 1 because the weight restriction was not exceeded by the reported vehicle; 14 because there was no trace on the VRM (number plate) supplied.

how many of those without valid reason for using the restricted route were formally issued with warning letters. 0. Of the 86 CLW reports received, this breaks down as thus –

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No Trace = 14;

>7.5T = 1;

No Further Action = 62;

No Response = 7;

Ongoing = 2

Warnings = 0;

Prosecutions = 0.
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- how many of those without valid reason for using the restricted route were prosecuted or are in the process of being prosecuted. 0
- d) on how many occasions during this period Notts CC officials and/or authorised Agent(s) carried out HGV monitoring exercises in and around the Town of Southwell (say within a five-mile radius centred from Southwell Minster) and the results of any such exercise(s) in the terms of a) to c) inc above.
- on how many occasions during this period Notts CC officials and/or authorised Agent(s) carried out HGV monitoring exercises in and around the Town of Southwell. 7 occasions
- a) how many HGV's were observed (i.e. about suspected Heavy Goods Vehicle abuse of highways with Environmental Weight Limit restrictions). 58

- b) of the number at a), how many cases were taken up direct with the established owners/operators of the vehicles. 46
- c) Of the number at b), a breakdown explaining any shortfall between the number observed and the number contacted (e.g. because the weight restriction was not exceeded by the reported vehicle) 10 because the weight restriction was not exceeded by the observed vehicle. 2 because they were foreign plated (we cannot trace foreign vehicles).

how many of those without valid reason for using the restricted route were formally issued with warning letters. 0. Of the 58 HGV's observed on our own exercises (7 separate exercises), this breaks down as thus –

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No Trace = 0;
Foreign Plated = 2;
>7.5T = 10;
No Further Action = 40;
No Response = 6;
Ongoing = 0
Warnings = 0;
Prosecutions = 0.
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And how many of those without valid reason for using the restricted route were prosecuted or are in the process of being prosecuted. 0

We hope this now satisfies your request, and should you have any further enquiries please do not hesitate to contact me directly using the contact details below. In addition and for future reference Nottinghamshire County Council regularly publish previous Freedom of Information Requests and answers on our website, <u>click here</u> to see the Disclosure logs.

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to make a complaint or request a review of our decision, you should write to the

Team Manager, Complaints and Information Team, County Hall, West Bridgford, Nottingham, NG2 7QP

or email: FOI@nottscc.gov.uk.

Yours sincerely

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