Hi there

Please could you provide me with the following information (table template provided below for ease):

1) How many dedicated animal health and welfare staff in your Local Authority (by FTE) in each the following years: 2017, 2018, 2019?

2) How many dedicated **on-farm** animal health and welfare staff in your authority for these years?

3) How many farm inspections/visits did your Local Authority carry out in each of these years? (If possible, please split between proactive and reactive visits)

4) How many prosecutions for farm animal welfare offences has your Local Authority made in each of these years?

If it does not exceed the time limit, please also provide the following:

 5) The amount of resource applied to animal health and welfare in these years.

Huge thanks,

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|  | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 |
| No. of dedicated animal health and welfare staff (FTE) | 2 FTE | 2 FTE | 2FTE |
| No. of dedicated **on-farm** animal health and welfare staff | n/a | n/a | n/a |
| Number of farm inspections (reactive/ proactive) | Reactive: 35  Proactive: 16 | Reactive: 58  Proactive: 22 | Reactive: 45  Proactive: 12 |
| Number of prosecutions for farm animal welfare offences | See 2019 | See 2019 | 1 Crown Ct case that relates to offences in 2017. Investigated 2017-2018. Crown Court trial in March 2020 |
| Resource applied to animal health (£) | £77,000 | £80,400 | £80,400 |

NB/ Not sure what is meant by dedicated “ on farm”. Our approach to Animal Health enforcement is based on risking premises and intelligence received.