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Freedom of Information Act 2000: Revenue collected in fines and penalties from driving offences

Thank you for your Freedom of Information enquiry of 3 August 2017.

You asked for the following information:

"Please supply information detailing the total revenue collected by HM Treasury in fines and penalties issued for driving offences in England and Wales collected following the issuance of speeding tickets and other driving offences, where the police were not present at the time of the offence. These would specifically be fines and penalties issued as a result of fixed and mobile cameras and NIP notices issued by the police. There is no need to break this down into specific areas, unless this is a more convenient way to issue the information. I am interested in the total overall figure for revenue collected."

I can confirm that HM Treasury does not hold information within the scope of your request.

I can explain that speeding fines and penalty receipts are paid into the Consolidated Fund which is regarded as central Government's current account and used towards general Government expenditure, rather than ring-fenced for specific spending. Further details about the Consolidated Fund are published at the link below:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/hmt-central-funds#consolidated-fund>

It is not therefore possible to identify how a particular revenue source has been spent.

To be helpful, I can advise that the fines and penalties you are referring to are generally payable to different bodies and those bodies publish some information in respect of the revenue they receive. This may go some way towards answering your request and you may wish to direct your enquiry to those bodies, if the published information does not give you the level of detail you are seeking. Please note that revenue from fines and penalties issued and collected by local councils are accounted for by those authorities.

1. HM Courts and Tribunal Service (HMCTS)

The HMCTS Trust Statement accounts for fines and penalties imposed by the criminal justice system as revenue ultimately payable to the Consolidated Fund on a gross basis. This can be accessed at:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/hm-courts-tribunals-service-trust-statement-2016-to-2017>

2. Driver & Vehicle Licensing Agency (DVLA)

DVLA publish a Trust Statement detailing the revenue and expenditure in respect of Vehicle Excise Duty (VED), fines and penalties and Heavy Goods Vehicle (HGV) levy falling outside of the boundary of the DVLA Business Account. The Trust Statement is incorporated into the DVLA's annual report and accounts which can be accessed at:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/dvla-annual-report-and-accounts-2016-to-2017>

If you have any queries about this letter, please contact us. Please quote the reference number above in any future communications.

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