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ATI 323

Request

From: [Redacted under section 40 of the FOIA] Sent: 09 December 2014 15:54 To: post master Subject: Freedom of Information Request

Hi,

I would like to make a freedom of information request to know how much is the VMDs total budget and of this how much of this is spent on antimicrobial resistance surveillance?

VMD Reply

Sent: 15 December 2014

To: [Redacted under section 40 of the FOIA] **Subject:** Freedom of Information Request - ATI323 - how much is the VMD's total budget and of this how much of this is spent on antimicrobial resistance surveillance?

Thank you for your email dated 9 December 2014.

We are dealing with it under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Your Request

You asked how much is the VMD's total budget and how much of this is spent on antimicrobial resistance surveillance?

Our Reply

For 2014-15, the VMD's total budget is £14.5 million. The VMD will receive £7.4 million from the Veterinary Pharmaceutical Industry (for our regulatory work), £3.9 million from the food industry (for the residues testing programme) and £3.2m in funding from Defra. Out of this £3.2m the budget for our antimicrobial resistance work is £1.0m. The amount

we spend on antimicrobial resistance surveillance is conditioned by the particular costs of the surveillance programme each year and we won't know the exact cost for 2014-15 until we have completed the programme. As a guide the total spend in 2013/14 was £342,000.

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