

Safe roads, reliable journeys, informed travellers

Our ref: CRS 707,417

Your ref:

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Direct Line: 10 June 2014

Dear

Thank you for your FOI of 10 May 2014. I am writing to confirm that we have now completed our search for the information you requested.

In your email you requested the following information:

Could you tell me how much Highways Agency spents on replacing and installing road signs and remarking on the Highways in each of the past 2 years; If this work is carried out by in house staff or external agencies; if external agencies please supply name of the company.

Costs incurred on Highways Agency (HA) Major Projects schemes are captured in accordance with the method of Method of Measurement for Highways Works (MMHW).

The Major Projects costs incurred on activities included within series 1200 of MMHW (Traffic Signs and Road Markings) were:

2012-13: £3,501,546.962013-14: £6,602,276.46

All of the Agency's investment in infrastructure improvement is delivered through our supply chain. The name of the main suppliers working on our Major Project contracts is identified on the HA website:

http://www.highways.gov.uk/about-us/procurement/current-and-forthcoming-contracts/

Similarly, the costs incurred in renewals and small improvements are captured from supplier returns breaking down costs in accordance with MMHW. It should be noted that the Agency do not currently have a breakdown of costs for every scheme completed. Therefore it should be noted that the full costs to the Agency for Road Markings and Traffic Signs are likely to be significantly higher than reported below.

From the information held, the data is as follows:

Traffic Signs

2012-13: £3,342,660.48







2013-14 : £2,676,185.64

Road Markings

2012-13 : £6,780,607.38 2013-14 : £15,323,709.94

As with Major Projects, maintenance and renewal work is delivered through our supply chain. Details of our maintenance areas and contractors (responsible for routine maintenance, renewals and small improvements) are available on the HA website: http://www.highways.gov.uk/about-us/procurement/current-and-forthcoming-contracts/works-and-consultancy/network-maintenance-arrangements/

In keeping with the spirit and effect of the legislation, all information is assumed to be releasable to the public unless exempt. We may therefore be publishing the information you requested, together with any related information that will provide a key to its wider context, via our website: http://www.highways.gov.uk/

If you are unhappy with the way we have handled your request you may ask for an internal review. Our internal review process is available at: http://www.highways.gov.uk/foicomplaints

If you require a print copy, please phone the Highways Agency Information Line on 0300 123 5000; or e-mail ha info@highways.gsi.gov.uk. You should contact me if you wish to complain.

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office Wycliffe House Water Lane Wilmslow Cheshire SK9 5AF

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

Yours sincerely

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