



Reference: FOI1365

**Request:**

**How many artworks have been purchased by the local authority in 2016-17, 2017-18 and 2018-19?**

Our financial information is not held in a manner that would make it easy to identify expenditure between years; however we hold an inventory of such assets which is attached.

**How many artworks are in the possession of the local authority?**

**What is the estimated value of the artworks?**

**How many of the artworks are on public display?**

**Public display includes those that can be viewed by the members of the public in local authority buildings such as council headquarters, libraries, sports and leisure centres, and schools that are under local authority control. It would exclude areas of council properties that cannot be readily be entered into by members of the public (such as, for example, the office of the head of paid service).**

**Artwork includes, but is not limited to, paintings, photographs, sculptures and electronic art.**

The information requested is contained in the attached document. Those identified as being at Wallsend Hall, Wallsend Town Hall, Playhouse, Maritime Chambers, The Exchange and Royal Quays are on public display.