



Reference: EIR4603

**Request:**

**The DEFRA Code of Conduct for the effective enforcement for litter and refuse, Sep 18, states:**

**11L.9 Enforcing authorities may also choose, in exceptional circumstances, to offer recipients the option of paying in instalments if they cannot afford the full amount.**

**I am researching how this maybe effectively implemented across the many local authorities around the country.**

**Question(s)**

**Assuming your local authority uses Fixed Penalties as part of your environmental enforcement activity:**

**1) How many FPNs did you issue in the years 2020-21 and/or 2021-22 (1 Jan – 31 Dec)?**

**\*\*2020 - total = 71 - total paid 23.\*\***

**\*\*2021 - total = 145 - total paid 47.\*\***

**\*\*2022 - total to date = 1 - total paid to date 0.\*\***

**a) Of which what percentage paid the penalty within a discount period?**

**\*\*100%\*\***

**b) Of those that did not pay the penalties, what percentage did you prosecute?**

**\*\*0%\*\***

**2) Yes or No; in the years 2020-21 and/or 2021-22 (1 Jan – 31 Dec), did your local authority offer any recipients of a fixed penalty the opportunity to pay the penalty by instalments?**

**\*\*The Authority does not offer instalment arrangements for FPNs.\*\***

**If the answer is no, no further info is requested.**

**If the answer is yes, may I then also be provided with the following breakdown please?**



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**3) If there is a documented policy on this matter, may I receive a copy please?**

**Separating the answers between fly-tipping and littering:**

**4) how many FPNs were issued in each year?**

**a) of which, how many were afforded the option of paying by instalments?**

**b) of those, what percentage went on to default on the agreement having made, zero payment?**

**c) part payment?**

**d) Of those that defaulted on the agreement, what percentage did/do you prosecute?**

**5) do you offer a discount for early payment?**

**a) if you do offer a discount for early payment, do you allow the discounted amount to be paid by instalments?**