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## TEES VALLEY COMBINED AUTHORITY

Thank you for your request of 19 May 2022 for information relating to the Tees Valley Combined Authority. You asked the National Audit Office (NAO) for the following specific information:

1. *The last report into the compliance of funding awarded to the Tees Valley Combined Authority.*
2. *The date of the next NAO monitoring visit to the Tees Valley Combined Authority.*

Your request is being handled under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

We have searched our records and can confirm that we do not hold information in scope of your request.

It should be noted that the NAO does not audit individual local authorities – the appointed external auditor for the Tees Valley Combined Authority is Mazars LLP and full contact details for the auditor can be found on the website of Public Sector Audit Appointments (PSAA) [here](#). PSAA is a government-owned company that oversees the contracts of most local authority external auditors.

We hope this response is helpful. Annex A sets out the steps you may wish to take if you are not satisfied with the way we have handled your request for information under the FOIA.

Yours sincerely

**NAO FOI TEAM**

## **Annex A**

### **Statement of Policy**

Our policy is to respond to requests made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 as helpfully and promptly as possible, having regard to the principles set out in the Act. We therefore hope you are happy with the way we have handled your request. If you are not, then you should take the following steps.

In the first instance, within 40 working days, write to the National Audit Office Freedom of Information (FOI) Team at [FOI.requests@nao.org.uk](mailto:FOI.requests@nao.org.uk) or by post to:

FOI Team, Green 2, National Audit Office, 157-197 Buckingham Palace Road, London, SW1W 9SP

The Head of FOI will arrange a review, which will be conducted by a senior member of staff who was not involved in decisions relating to your original request. Once the review has been completed, we will write informing you of the outcome.

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:

<https://ico.org.uk/>

or

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