

REQUEST	15705	RESPONSE
	<p>1. In the last 18 months on how many occasions United Utilities has been issued with a fine/fixed penalty by Wigan Council for failing to comply with restrictions/targets/traffic management relating to works being carried out by UU. This refers to financial sanctions which local authorities are permitted to impose, under the New Roads and Street Works Act 1991, when utility firms operate without a permit, leave signs, lights or guards at the site of roadworks, or fail to fill in excavations after completing the work.</p> <p>2. The total amount these fines/penalties represent.</p> <p>3. Some examples - perhaps five - of the reasons for fines/penalties being imposed on UU.</p> <p>The following link might assist in confirming the exact figures I am looking for: <a href="https://www.lancs.live/news/cost-of-living/united-utilities-fined-156k-after-28023166">https://www.lancs.live/news/cost-of-living/united-utilities-fined-156k-after-28023166</a></p>	<p>1. From the 1<sup>st</sup> of April 2022 until November 2023. United Utilities have been issued with a total of 71 fixed penalty notices or fines. In addition to this, another 29 penalties were issued under section 74 of the New Roads and Streetworks Act.</p> <p>2. Total amount of these fines/penalties was £118,920.</p> <p>3. Some examples include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 21 FPN's for failure to register their works on time.</li> <li>• 19 FPN's for leaving five or more signs, lights or guarding at the site following completion of works.</li> <li>• 10 FPN's for working without a valid permit.</li> <li>• 6 FPN's for breaching permit conditions set by the local authority.</li> <li>• 5 FPN's for Issue work stop notices late</li> </ul>