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Request/Response

1. How many reports did you receive from whistleblowers in 2019 and in 2020?

14 in 2019
28 in 2020

We report whistleblowing activity by financial year – i.e. 1 April to 31 March

For 2018/19 see Internal Audit Report to 30 June 2019 (Agenda Item 7) of the Audit and Standards Committee on 23 September 2019. Whistleblowing activity in 2018/19 is covered in Paragraphs 7 to 9 (page 26) and Appendix C (page 32).

For 2019/20 see Internal Audit Report to 31 March 2020
(Agenda Item 9) of the Audit and Standards Committee on 22 June 2020. Whistleblowing activity in 2019/20 is covered in Paragraphs 38 to 40 (page 16) and Appendix C (page 34).

2. How many people do you have in your organisation that are trained/permitted to take reports from whistleblowers?
One – the Audit Manager

3. What training have the people in question number 2 received in whistleblowing?
None

4. What cost, if any, was there for this training?
N/A

5. Which organisation delivered each course?
N/A

6. What is the name of the person that arranged this training and what is their email address?
N/A

7. What methods do you have for whistleblowers to contact a person that is authorised to take their report and what are the specific details of these, i.e., email addresses, telephone numbers etc?

- **Online**: By completing a Whistleblowing Form
- **By email**: By sending a message to audit@rother.gov.uk
- **By telephone**: By calling the Fraud Hotline on 01424 787799
- **By post**: By writing to the Audit Manager at Rother District Council, town Hall, Bexhill-on-Sea, East Sussex, TN39 3JX

8. What are the email addresses for the people authorised to receive whistleblower reports?
audit@rother.gov.uk

9. How many whistleblowers have left the organisation within 12 months of making a report?
None – all were made by external parties

10. How many whistleblowers have made an allegation of 'detriment' against your organisation?
None