From: Farr Stephanie

Sent: Monday, September 22, 2014 10:30 AM

To: 'Barry Blandford'

Subject: RE: Blandford Forum Town Centre

Hello Barry,

I have had a look at your request and have attached a spreadsheet with some data in. There are a couple of things you should note, however. The number of employees is rounded to the nearest 100 as per a legal agreement we have with the data provider. The number of people who are mainly working at/from home will also be represented within the number of employees and the number of self-employed depending on their work status so there will be an element of double counting. None of this data includes volunteers in charity shops and unfortunately, we do not have this data.

The figures from 2005 that you refer to for shops and square footage relate to when we did a survey of town centres but this has, unfortunately, not been replicated since then so we do not have any more information on that. I have included the number of businesses in the Blandford Forum area though in case this is of any help to you.

You will also note that I have included a list of the wards used to make up the Blandford Forum area as we use here.

I hope this is at least part of what you're looking for.

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Source

Business Register and Employment Survey (2012),

Employees 3,900 ONS

Self-employed 680 Census of Population, 2011

Work mainly at/from

home 482 Census of Population, 2011

Businesses 460 UK Business: Activity, Size and Location (2013), ONS

Including wards:

Blandford Damory Down Blandford Hilltop Blandford Langton St Leonards Blandford Old Town Blandford Station From: Farr Stephanie

Sent: Monday, September 22, 2014 3:00 PM **To:** mailto:barrypliskin@btinternet.com **Subject:** Blandford Town Centre

Hi Barry,

I checked to see what data is available for Blandford Town Centre but it is only available at Ward level so I have used Blandford Old Town. I should have mentioned earlier that the number of self-employed people and the number who are mainly working at/from home are those that are resident in the Blandford Old Town Ward.

Unfortunately, businesses cannot be broken down into this smaller geography so I have removed this from the spreadsheet.

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Source

Business Register and Employment Survey (2012),

Employees 2,100 ONS

Self-employed 149 Census of Population, 2011

Work mainly at/from

home 122 Census of Population, 2011