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Directed Surveillance			
05/02/2013	TSL DS 034	Licensing Act 2003 – authorisation required to use a covert camera when test purchase volunteer enters premises to purchase alcohol	No sale no prosecution required
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Communications requests			
26/7/2012	514262/1-5	Investigation under The Fraud Act 2006 and The Consumer Protection from Unfair Trading Regulations 2008 – carrying out works to an unsatisfactory standard, aggressive sales practices and failing to carry out works that have been charged for.	The subscriber checks were for telephone numbers used by a firm in either its advertisements or on its invoices. The information received established that the registered subscribers were the owner of the business, his wife or brother. This information was used as proof of the involvement of the main suspect and his family in the transactions and led to a prosecution for Fraud Act and other offences in relation to doorstep crime. The defendant indicated he will be pleading guilty at a forthcoming Crown Court hearing.
04/02/2013	TELA/082	Investigation under Consumer Protection from Unfair Trading Regulations 2008 in relation to an eBay seller of used cars posing as a private seller. Mobile number subscriber details requested as linked to all sales	The defendant is attending court for a plea and case management hearing

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CHIS requests			
18/04/2012	TSL CHIS 10	Target was allegedly selling counterfeit goods (GHD straighteners) via Facebook. Possible offences under Trade	Contact was made but target did not respond. Complaint was closed and noted.

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		Marks Act 1994, Consumer Protection From Unfair Trading Regulations 2008, Electrical Equipment (Safety) Regulations 1994.	
06/06/12	TSL CHIS 12	An anonymous complainant was received with details of a resident who was selling counterfeit computer games and 'flashing' consoles on Facebook. Possible offences under Trade Marks Act 1994, Consumer Protection From Unfair Trading Regulations 2008, Copyright Designs & Patents Act 1988. Contact was made with target who supplied copied games and agreed to a request to flash a console.	A warrant was subsequently obtained and executed and various items were seized from the address including computer and flashing equipment. The computer was forensically examined and a full report was prepared. Prosecution under The Trade Marks Act 1994 has been authorised.
19/09/2012	TSL CHIS 13	A complaint was received that an individual (not the same person as TSL CHIS 11 above) was operating an unlicensed tattooing business from home which is a criminal offence under section 16 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982. Contact was made via Facebook with the intention of requesting a tattoo. The individual did not respond to a friend request on facebook.	Cleveland Police indicated that they had visited the person's home address after receiving information that a minor had been tattooed. Warning letter issued regarding unlicensed tattooing.