

Value for Money Analysis

The client organisation was expecting a reduction in funding and wanted to reduce costs to avoid cutting front line services. However, as large organisation, it needed to prioritise areas for cost saving measures.

A Belake CIC statistician conducted a statistical benchmarking exercise, comparing costs, unit costs and quality indicators at each of the corporate, directorate, service and team levels. Individual unit costs were compared against quality or service performance indicators for each individual service or team.

The results of the analysis were presented on simple cost/performance matrices, showing at a glance whether a service or team was high or low cost compared to its performance in comparison to other similar authorities.

This allowed the organisation to effectively challenge underlying costs for services where cost saving measures were most likely to be effective. Additional in depth analysis was provided by the statistician to support the challenge process