**You asked for:**

**·             How many meals on wheels were distributed by your council in each of the last five calendar years?**

2011 8,479

2012 6,237

2013 5,419

2014 3,574

2015 2,242

**·             What was the cost of a meal to users in 2011 and now in 2016?**

The cost of a mobile meal to the customer in 2011 was £2.95. The cost in 2016 is £3.65.

**·             How many users of your meals on wheels service were registered in 2011 and now in 2016?**

In 1/12/11 there were 329 individuals registered for the Mobile meals service. As of 09/11/16 there are 65 individuals registered for the Mobile meals service.

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The Council has seen a reduction in the use of mobile meals for a number of years, which can be a contributed to the following:

* The delivery of personal budgets, with service users choosing to use their Direct Payment to buy services directly from providers
* The use of assistive technology to enable service users to prepare their own meals, such as talking microwaves
* Support from a personal assistant or home care worker to prepare a meal, increasing choice about the type of food and meal times
* Changes to the eligibility criteria aligned to the Care Act 2014

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