



**Information Governance**

Coventry City Council  
PO Box 15  
Council House  
Coventry  
CV1 5RR

[www.coventry.gov.uk](http://www.coventry.gov.uk)

4 March 2020

**Please contact Information Governance**  
Direct line 024 7697 5408  
infogov@coventry.gov.uk

Dear Sir

**Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA)  
Request ID: REQ06901**

Thank you for your request for information relating to Crematorium funerals between 2009 and 2019.

Your request and our response are outlined below:

**1.The number of funerals undertaken in your local Council crematoriums between 2009 – 2019, categorized by:**

**a. whether the funeral was non-religious or religious**

We hold the information which you have asked for, but we have estimated that the cost of meeting your request would exceed the cost limit of £450 specified in the Freedom of Information and Data Protection (Appropriate Limit and Fees Regulations 2004). This represents the estimated cost of one person spending 18 hours or more, in determining whether the information is held, locating, retrieving and extracting it.

We are unable to retrieve the information from our system using existing reports. Therefore, in order to answer your request, we have estimated that it will take one officer in excess of one week to determine if the information is held by interrogating the records held for every year requested in addition to compiling this in a report.

This part of your request has therefore been refused under Section 12(2) of the Act.

**b. the age group of the deceased (Under 18, 18-65, 65 and over).**

We can confirm that we do not hold this information in the format in which it has been requested. However, to advise and assist, we can provide the following information which is the breakdown of funerals for each year by adult or child:

<b>Year</b>	<b>Number of adult funerals</b>	<b>Number of child funerals</b>
2019	2,388	11
2018	2,492	9
2017	2,592	7
2016	2,473	11
2015	2,521	8
2014	2,384	11
2013	2,578	9
2012	2,510	11
2011	2,289	6
2010	2,290	6
2009	2,443	9

The supply of information in response to a freedom of information request does not confer an automatic right to re-use the information. You can use any information supplied for the purposes of private study and non-commercial research without requiring further permission. Similarly, information supplied can also be re-used for the purposes of news reporting. An exception to this is photographs. Please contact us if you wish to use the information for any other purpose.

Should you wish to make any further requests for information, you may find what you are looking for is already published on the [Council's web site](#) and in particular its FOI/EIR [Disclosure log](#), [Council's Publication Scheme](#), [Open Data](#) and [Facts about Coventry](#).

If you are unhappy with the handling of your request, you can ask us to review our response. Requests for reviews should be submitted within 40 days of the date of receipt of our response to your original request – email: [infogov@coventry.gov.uk](mailto:infogov@coventry.gov.uk)

If you are unhappy with the outcome of our review, you can write to the Information Commissioner, who can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF or email [casework@ico.org.uk](mailto:casework@ico.org.uk).

Please remember to quote the reference number above in your response.

Yours faithfully

**Information Governance**