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Dear Sir

Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA)
Request ID: REQ07270

Thank you for your request for information relating to Cost of Black Lives Matter Protests on 20th and 27th June 2020.

Your request and our responses are outlined below:

Please could you provide details of how much money the Council spent on the Black Lives Matter protests in Coventry on Saturday, June 27 and Saturday, June 20.

This should include traffic management and any other costs of the events.

Please also detail when notification was received from the organisers.

We can advise that the only costs incurred by the Council were in relation to Traffic Management and as follows:

Sat 20th June - £5213.35

Sat 27th June - £ 6344.48

Key dates/times for contact with the organisers were:

Saturday 20th June Protest:

- 13:39 on Friday 12th June - Initial contact from organisers saying that a protest & march was being planned

- 23:48 on Wednesday 17th June – Council received Risk Assessment & Event Plans from the organiser
- 15:00 on Thursday 18th June - Engagement with the organiser at a Safety Advisory Group at which point they gave some more details of the event

Saturday 27th June Protest:

- 14:45 on Sunday 21st June - Initial contact from organisers saying that a protest was being planned
- 16:30 on Tuesday 23rd June - Engagement with the organiser at a Safety Advisory Group at which point they gave some more details
- 20:04 on Friday 26th June – Council received event plans from the organiser with written details of the event

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Yours faithfully

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