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Dear Sir/Madam

**Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA)  
Request ID: REQ07281**

Thank you for your request for information relating to Virtual Council Meetings.

Your request and our responses are outlined below:

- 1a. Since March 23 2020, have you held any virtual meetings of your executive?**
- b. If the answer to a) is Yes, please state on what date the first meeting took place.**
- c. If the answer to a) is Yes, please state how many such meetings took place in total between March 23 and June 23.**
- 2a. Since March 23, 2020, have you held any virtual meetings of the full Council?**
- b. If the answer to a) is Yes, please state on what date the first meeting took place?**
- c. If the answer to a) is Yes, please state how many such meetings took place in total between March 23 and June 23.**

In response to questions 1 and 2) we can confirm that information about Council meetings is available and is accessible to you via the Council's website on the following link:-

<https://edemocracy.coventry.gov.uk/mgListCommittees.aspx>. Some remote meetings have been held in line with the revised regulations and this is indicated against the relevant meeting date.

We therefore do not have to provide the information as per Section 21 of the FOIA

**3. Since March 23 2020, has the Council made it possible for the public to participate in Council meetings virtually? If Yes, please give a brief description.**

In relation to question 3, where the authority's normal procedures allow public engagement, we can confirm this has also been enabled in remote meetings. For example, applicants, objectors and petitioners have participated remotely in meetings of the Council's Planning Committee.

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

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