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Dear Sir/Madam

**Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA)**  
**Request ID: FOI338076947**

Thank you for your request for information relating to illegally dumped waste 2021.

You have requested the following information:

**1a. For the last financial year (2020-2021) how many fines or fixed penalty notices did your authority issue for fly-tipping?**

124 fixed penalty notices were issued specifically for fly tipping.

**b. How many were paid/unpaid?**

Paid – 108

Unpaid – 9

The remaining seven notices were cancelled due to additional mitigating factors.

**c. What was the total revenue received from these fines or FPNs? (i.e. actually received by**

**your authority)**

**d. What is the total amount (in £s) unpaid after 30 days?**

For Questions 1c and 1d, 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.

The current system in which the information is recorded does not allow the information to be differentiated based on when the fine was paid. Therefore, in order to collate the requested information which would require a manual review of each record to collate the information which would take over the 18-hour limit. This part of your request has therefore been refused under section 12(2) of the Act.

**e. How much was spent on issuing these fines?**

The estimated cost is £4,092.

**2a. For the last financial year (2020-2021) how many times did your authority prosecute individuals or businesses for fly-tipping?**

Due to the Courts being closed for the majority of the 2020/21 financial year as a result of COVID-19 restrictions, there were no prosecutions.

**b. How many resulted in convictions?**

**c. Was any revenue received as compensation?**

**d. Was any revenue received as costs?**

**e. How much was spent on these prosecutions?**

**f. What is the total amount of compensation awarded unpaid?**

**g. What is the total amount of costs awarded unpaid?**

For Questions 2b to 2g, please refer to Question 2a.

**3. For the last financial year (2020-2021) how many cases of fly-tipping did your authority deal with?**

10,727.

**4. For the last financial year (2020-2021), what was the total cost to your authority of dealing with cleaning up fly-tipping?**

The estimated cost is £411,872.00.

**5. How many people live in your local authority area?**

Following careful consideration, the information you requested falls under the exemption(s) in Section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, which relates to 'information reasonably

accessible to the applicant by other means.’

The exemption applies as the information is published and publicly available to view by accessing the Council website, please use the following link:

[https://www.coventry.gov.uk/info/195/facts\\_about\\_coventry/2435/population\\_and\\_demographics](https://www.coventry.gov.uk/info/195/facts_about_coventry/2435/population_and_demographics)

## **6. How many cases of fly-tipping were reported to your authority on private land?**

Please refer to Question 1d.

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Yours faithfully

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