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Dear Sir/Madam

**Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA)**

**Request ID: FOI394443300**

Thank you for your request for information relating to Union time.

You have requested the following information:

**Please can you provide all information for the financial year 2020-21, and from the start of financial year 2021 to 31 December 2021, for the following:**

- 1. The total number (absolute number and full time equivalent) of local authority staff who are trade union representatives.**
- 2. The total number (absolute number and full time equivalent) of trade union representatives who spend at least 50 per cent of their time on union duties.**
- 3. The number of days spent on union duties by authority staff.**

In response to data for the 2020/21 financial year, the data for all local authorities is published by the Government. This information is accessible to via the following Government website:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/statistical-data-sets/public-sector-trade-union-facility-time-data#full-publication-update-history>

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

With regards to data for relating to the 2021/22 financial year, we advise this information is only recorded and reported annually. Therefore this part of the requested information is being withheld as it falls under the exemption(s) in Section 22 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, which

relates to Information Intended for Future Publication. The information will be available after 31 July 2022 when this information is collated.

For information, we publish a variety of information such as: [FOI/EIR Disclosure Log](#), [Publication Scheme](#), [Facts about Coventry](#) and [Open Data](#) that you may find of useful if you are looking for information in the future.

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

Yours faithfully

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