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Dear Sir/Madam

Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) Request ID: FOI463103701

Thank you for your request for information relating to Freedom of Information Requests.

You have requested the following information:

1. The total number of FOI requests made to Coventry City Council between the year 2000 and October 2022. Please provide an annual breakdown in table format showing a year by year calculation of the number of FOI requests received each year.

In response to question 1, please note that we record statistics in financial years. Please note that we do not hold information prior to 2011/12 and are advising you as per Section 1(1) of the Act.

Please see the details for the remaining financial years below. We would further advise that figures for 2022/23 will not be available until the end of the current financial year i.e., after March 2023.

2011/12 - 1034 requests received

2012/13 - 995 requests received

2013/14 - 1317 requests received

2014/15 - 1307 requests received

2015/16 - 1329 requests received

2016/17 - 1374 requests received

- 2. Please provide the total annual cost of responding to FOI requests broken down by year, by Coventry City Council and the individual average cost per request per annum.
- 3. Please provide a detailed breakdown of how the cost to the Council is made up, per FOI request.

In response to questions 2 and 3, we confirm we do not hold this information and are advising you as per Section 1(1) of the Act. We do not record the time or cost of dealing with FOI requests on our system.

The supply of information in response to a FOI request does not confer an automatic right to reuse 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.

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

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: infoqov@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 icocasework@ico.org.uk.

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

Yours faithfully

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