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Dear Sir/Madam

Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) Request ID: FOI501743590

Thank you for your request for information relating to asylum seekers in hotels.

You have requested the following information:

I'm writing to make a request under the FOI Act. Please could you tell me whether there are any asylum seekers being accommodated in hotels your local authority area? To be clear, I am not asking you to provide any information that would directly identify, or reveal the specific address or ward area in which asylum seekers are being housed.

I would only like to know whether your local authority area is currently accommodating asylum seekers in a hotel or hotels, or not.

The City Council can confirm that it is aware that the Home Office utilise hotels in the Coventry local authority area for the purposes of asylum seeker contingency accommodation.

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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: <a href="mailto:infogov@coventry.gov.uk">infogov@coventry.gov.uk</a>

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

Yours faithfully

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