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Dear Sir/Madam

Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA)

Request ID: FOI545674842

Thank you for your request for information relating to breach of planning permission.

You have requested the following information:

I was wondering if it's possible to receive the following information:

1. The number of times a breach of planning permission occurred

2. The reason for the breach of planning permission

For Questions 1 and 2, 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.

We estimate that because the information is held in a nonreportable format which would require an officer to manually review over 4,000 records which has been estimated to take approximately 339 hours to complete. This exceeds the 18-hour limit under Act. Your request has been refused under section 12(2) of the Act.

3. The number of fines handed out and cost due to breach of planning permission

We confirm that we do not hold this information and are advising you as per Section 1(1) of the

Act. The City Council does not issue fines for breaches of planning control. If a serious breach of planning control is identified and informal attempts to remedy the harm fail, an enforcement notice is served. It is an offence not to comply with an enforcement notice. A person guilty of such an offence is liable on conviction to a fine to be determined by the Courts.

Can these be supplied for the years of 2023, 2022 and 2021.

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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.

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

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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