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Dear Sir/Madam

Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA)

Request ID: FOI547144302

Thank you for your request for information relating to MJ Awards.

You have requested the following information:

Please include the following information, for the 2023, 2022, 2021, 2020, and 2019 awards:

- 1. The total amount the council spent from its own budget attending each award ceremony**
- 2. The number of representatives from the council that attended each ceremony (please provide a breakdown of the number of councillors and council officials)**
- 3. The cost of travel for each year, including the mode and class**
- 4. The cost of accommodation for each year, including the name of the hotel or other form of accommodation**
- 5. The agenda for each awards ceremony, including details of the food and drink available, if these documents are available**

In response to your request, we confirm we do not hold this information and are informing you as per Section 1(1) of the Act. From 2019 to 2023, Coventry City Council not been nominated for an MJ Award, and therefore no representatives of the council have attended in this time frame to collect an award.

However, to advise and assist you, Marvin Reeves (who was the previous Chief Executive Officer of the Council) did attend the MJ Awards as a guest on 17 September 2021 as he had been a category judge. This was declared under gifts and hospitality and the associated travel cost for this was a total of £55.50 for standard class rail tickets. We do not have a record of the total tube cost as Oyster card journey records do not go back that far. Additionally, we confirm there was no accommodation cost associated with Martin's attendance at the MJ Awards.

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Yours faithfully

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