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Dear Sir/Madam

Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA)

Request ID: FOI550416021

Thank you for your request for information relating to Farms owned and sold by the Council.

You have requested the following information:

1. How many farms does the council own?

The Council only owns one agricultural farm holding which it leases, that includes land and a farmhouse with outbuildings. The Council does own other agricultural land which is farmed by a tenant farmer and currently there are 17 agricultural tenancies within the Coventry area.

2. How many farms have the council sold off in the last 10 years?

We have sold off a total of two farms in the last 10 years.

3. What is the average age of your council farm tenants?

In response to Question 3, we confirm we do not hold this information and are informing you as per Section 1(1) of the Act. We do not record this information on our system.

4. How many AHA council tenancies do you have left in your portfolio?

We have a total of ten AHA council tenancies left in our portfolio.

5. What is the average length of your FBTs?

The average length of our FBTs is approximately 5.5 years (although the majority of this time are

two-year agreements. We have one long term agreement which increases the average length).

6. How much you invested in your council tenant farms in the last 10 years? If possible, please specify examples of things you have invested in.

In response to Question 6, we confirm we do 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 we do not hold this information in a single document, our officers would have to go back over all accounts over the past ten years to extract the requested information, which would exceed the 18-hour working limit. Your request has been refused under section 12(2) of the Act.

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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: 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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