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Dear Sir/Madam

**Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA)**

**Request ID: FOI576104318**

Thank you for your request for information relating to sport and leisure services and facilities.

You have requested the following information:

**1) How much has the council spent on sport and leisure services and facilities between 2018 and 2023? This includes: Leisure centres, parks, grass pitches, all publicly accessible swimming pools, health and fitness facilities and sports halls.**

**Please provide a figure of how much was spent for each year in the five-year period by text on email, through an excel spreadsheet or a Microsoft Word document.**

Following careful consideration, the information you requested falls under the exemption(s) in Section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, which relates to 'information reasonably accessible to the applicant by other means.'

The exemption applies as the information is published and publicly available to view by accessing the Council website, please use the following link:

<https://www.coventry.gov.uk/downloads/download/214/statement-of-accounts>

This exemption is not subject to the public interest test.

**2) How many sport and leisure facilities operated by the council have closed between 2018 and 2023?**

**Please provide the number of closures for each year in the five-year period?**

Coventry City Council does not operate its public sport and leisure facilities as they are operated by an external provider. However, the only facilities that have closed between 2018 and 2023 are the Coventry Sports and Leisure Centre, closed 2019, and Brandon Wood Golf Course, which was closed in 2020.

There have been no closures of other sport and leisure facilities in the years 2018, 2019, 2021, 2022 and 2023.

It is worth noting that the closure of Coventry Sports and Leisure Centre was reprovisioned with a new city centre waterpark and public leisure facility whilst also providing a 50m swimming pool at The Alan Higgs Centre in Coventry.

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Yours faithfully

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