

## Information Governance Team

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Dear Sir/Madam

Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) Request ID: FOI625845039

Thank you for your request for information relating to Pest issues in Council Buildings.

You have requested the following information:

This is an information request relating to pests in council buildings. For clarification this FOI requests information for the last three financial years, 2021/22, 2022/23 and 2023/24 The definition of pests does not include humans.

## Please include the following information:

- 1. Total number of pest issues cases in the council building
- 2. The specific pest issue encountered and the date it occurred
- 3. Total spent to fix each problem
- 4. The length of time the problem persisted

We are advising you as per Section 1(1) of the Act, that we do not record this information as we are not called outs for pests. Coventry Council does not have any council house stock.

To assist, most of our Council building, offices, parks and sites are covered by pest management programmes whereas we visit once a month or every 6 weeks to check the sites for pest activity and treat if required.

The pests covered are Rats, Mice, Wasps, Fleas, Ants, Squirrels. The collective cost of this per year is £101,000.

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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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