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Dear Sir/Madam

Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA)

Request ID: FOI647404085

Thank you for your request for information relating to Enforcement relating to smoke from domestic fires.

You have requested the following information:

Please note that we have migrated to a new system which has provided the results below:

1. Please state how many complaints your local authority has received about smoke from domestic fires from Sept 2023 to August 2024 inclusive?

Three.

2. Please state the number of enforcement actions taken by your local authority, in the following categories, against suspected breaches of smoke control area rules from Sept 2023 to August 2024 inclusive:

- a) Warning or guidance letters: 3
- b) Inspections 0
- c) Penalty notices 0
- d) Prosecutions 0

3. Please provide a copy of any guidance issued internally to council officers regarding the enforcement of alleged breaches of smoke control area rules.

There is no internal guidance. The Council are referring to Defra issued guidance at:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/smoke-control-area-enforcement-local-authorities-in-england/smoke-control-area-enforcement-by-local-authorities-in-england>

4. Please provide a copy of any reports or guidance produced by your council relating to the local implementation of the Air Quality (Domestic Solid Fuels Standards) (England) Regulations 2020 from 1 May 2021.

Not held.

5. How many of your social housing properties have open fires or wood burning stoves?

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

Coventry City Council does not own any housing stock as this was transferred to Citizen Housing (formerly Whitefriars) in September 2000 through Large Scale Voluntary Transfer. To advise and assist you further, information about Citizen Housing and their services can be found on the web site at:

<https://www.citizenhousing.org.uk/>

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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.

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Yours faithfully

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