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Dear

**Freedom of Information Act 2000**

Thank you for requesting information about business rates. The Council received your request on 28th January 2014 and has considered it under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 ("The Act").

You have requested the following information;

I require an Excel Spread sheet with the following columns and data for ALL business premises where NO RELIEF (for example small business relief, charitable relief, etc.) of any type has been granted. The information must be correct as of today's date, please can I have a fresh report, NO historic reports as this will affect my research. If it possible could the date be included from when the data was last accurate.

Column 1: Property Reference  
Column 2: Full Address (excluding post code)  
Column 3: Post code  
Column 4: Ratepayer (Primary Liable Party)  
Column 5: Rateable Value for 2010-2015

Following careful consideration, the information you requested is being withheld as it falls under the exemption in Section 21 of the Act, which relates to information already publicly available and easily accessible in another form or format.

The exemption applies as the information is published and publicly available to view by accessing the Coventry City Council website on the Open Data webpage at:

[http://www.coventry.gov.uk/downloads/download/2178/non\\_domestic\\_rates\\_foi\\_report](http://www.coventry.gov.uk/downloads/download/2178/non_domestic_rates_foi_report)

To advise and assist you further, you can access this link from the letter by holding 'ctrl+click' or alternatively you can copy the link by dragging your mouse highlighting the web link then right clicking your mouse to copy the link.

If you then open your web browser/ internet you can paste what you have copied onto the web browser and this should direct you to the Council's Open Data pages. To access the chosen links just simply click on the link and it is the report entitled Accounts with Rateable value of £0.00 upwards – November 2013 (CSV). This spreadsheet can be filtered for you to access the information you require.

In respect of current information, this is also being withheld as it falls under the exemption in Section 22 of the Act which relates to Information Intended for Future Publication.

This is because updates for all accounts with a rateable value of £0.00 upwards, and those with mandatory relief will be published every April and September. Credit balances will be produced and published monthly. This is undertaken as part of a managed publication program. and the Council considers that the public interest in withholding information until that time outweighs the public interest in making any disclosure of requested information at this time.

Please note, under the Re-Use of Public Sector Information 2005 Regulations you are free to use this information for your own use or for the purposes of news reporting.

However, any other type of re-use under the Regulations, for example; publication of the information or circulation to the public, will require permission of the copyright owner and may be subject to terms and conditions. For documents where the copyright does not belong to Coventry City Council you will need to apply separately to the copyright holder.

If you wish to apply to reuse the information you have requested or have any other issues relating to this request please do not hesitate to contact me.

You have a right to make representations about the outcome or handling of your request – in the first instance this must be made in writing within 40 working days of the date of this letter, to the Council's Information Governance Team at:

Council House, Room 21a  
Lower Ground Floor  
Earl Street, Coventry.  
CV1 5RR  
[infogov@coventry.gov.uk](mailto:infogov@coventry.gov.uk)

If you have done this and are still dissatisfied, the Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office  
Wycliffe House  
Water Lane  
Wilmslow  
Cheshire  
SK9 5AF

Yours sincerely

Laura Martin  
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