



Coventry City Council

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Dear

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

Thank you for requesting information about Social Housing, which the Council received on 8<sup>th</sup> August, 2014. We are considering this request under the above legislation.

You have requested the following information;

- 1. Please tell me how many investigations the council has carried out into illegal subletting of council housing since 2010.**
- 2. Please tell me how many how properties have been recovered from illegal tenants since 2010.**
- 3. Please tell me how many criminal convictions the authority has secured against tenants illegally subletting its properties since 2010.**
- 4. I would also like to know how much illegal subletting costs the authority on a yearly basis, in investigations, court costs, legal fees, eviction charges, wasted housing benefits. If a specific figure is not available, could you please provide an estimate.**

It has been established that the Council does not hold the above information. This is because Coventry City Council transferred its council housing stock to Whitefriars Housing in September 2000.

This transfer also involved movement of responsibility for management of the housing, including tenancy issues, repairs and maintenance and the setting and collection of rents.

The Council relinquished responsibility regarding these matters as part of the transfer. To advise and assist you further, information about Whitefriars and their services can be found on the web site at:

<http://www.whitefriarshousing.co.uk/home>

Thus, we are unable to provide any information relating to the above, and are informing you as required per Section 1(1) (a) FOIA.

The Council does hold and regularly discloses many other types of information. You may wish to view the latest Freedom of Information responses issued by the Council on our [disclosure log](#) or look at the [Council's Publication Scheme](#) and its published reusable [Open Data](#). Alternatively, for a wider range of information about the Coventry area and to see what other organizations are doing, have a look at the [Facts about Coventry](#) website.

If you are unhappy with the outcome or handling of your request you should write to us within 40 working days of the date of this letter:

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If having done that you are still dissatisfied, the Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

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Yours sincerely

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