



Coventry City Council

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Our reference: FOI 20123942

Dear [REDACTED]

Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA)

Thank you for requesting information about sprinklers in high rise tower blocks, which the Council received on 7th April 2015 and has considered under the above legislation.

You have specifically requested:

1) Does the council own any residential high-rise tower blocks (in this case, defined as those that are 18 metres or higher)?

2) If yes, please specify for each block:

- a) The name of the block
- b) The location of the block
- c) The height of the block (in metres and the number of storeys)
- d) The date the block was built
- e) Whether the block has an internal sprinkler system (for fire safety) in communal areas (Please answer Yes or No)
- f) Whether there are sprinklers (for fire safety) in each of the flats within the block (Yes or No)
- g) Please specify whether the sprinkler systems - for the communal areas and/or individual flats - were in place when the block was built or installed retrospectively

3) For each of the blocks where the council has installed sprinklers retrospectively, please specify:

- a) The name of the block
- b) The location of the block
- c) The date the sprinklers were installed retrospectively (month and year is sufficient)
- d) Whether the sprinklers were installed to the communal area, individual flats, or both - please include details of the number of flats and/or communal areas

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- e) The cost of the project of retrofitting sprinklers for the block**
- f) Details of any particular reason/feasibility study/council report/wider guidance that led the council to retrofit sprinklers.**

It has been established that the Council does not hold the above information and therefore, is unable to provide it. We are informing you as required by Section 1(1) (a) FOIA.

All Council housing stock was transferred to Whitefriars housing group in 2000, which included the management of such stock. Whitefriars can be contacted:

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

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Should you be 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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