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Dear

Environmental Information Regulations 2004

Thank you for requesting information about air pollution in Coventry, which the Council received on 13th February 2017. Your request has been considered under the Environmental Information Regulations 2004.

I have endeavoured to answer all the questions you have submitted.

You have requested the following information:

I'm interested in finding out more about air pollution in Coventry and wondered if you could help by providing some reports I am looking for. There are annual reports submitted to Defra each year summarising the level of pollution in each local authority and the actions being taken to improve air quality.

I have looked through your website and found some of the reports, but would be very grateful if you could send me those I am still missing:

- **2013 Air Quality Action Plan Progress Report**

No 2013 air quality action plan progress report was produced by Coventry City Council. We are therefore advising you as per Regulation 12 (4)(e) of the EIR.

- **2016 Air Quality Annual Status Report**

This report has been submitted to Defra for approval. Once the Council has received this approval, the report will be made available on the Council's website.

- **The most recent Air Quality Action Plan**

The most recent air quality action plan is available at:



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http://www.coventry.gov.uk/downloads/file/1773/air_quality_action_plan_2007

The Council is currently consulting with Stakeholders to produce a new air quality action plan. Once this has been completed and approved, it will be made available on the Council's website.

If any air quality reports since 2011 are not available, are you able to say why?

Due to a restructure at the time this was not completed as the relevant officers were not in post.

I'm also interested to know what resources are available for Coventry to work on air quality. I imagine that funding air quality work is quite challenging with the deep cuts to local government budgets in recent years.

Do you have any data on the number of staff working on air quality in Coventry each year since 2011? If there has been a change, can you explain why? I'd also really like to know the amount of money spent on air quality reporting each year since 2011, and again why there has been change (if there has been change).

The Council does not hold this specific data, we are therefore advising you as per Regulation 12 (4)(e) of the EIR.

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Yours sincerely,

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