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Dear

Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA)
Request ID: REQ07476

Thank you for your request for information on the use of Reinforced Autoclaved Aerated Concrete Planks.

Your request and our responses are outlined below:

As part of our response to the SCOSS report and draft Building Safety Bill, we require information relating to the use of Reinforced Autoclaved Aerated Concrete Planks, as part of any construction of any public buildings in your Local Authority Area including any devolved administration premises. (eg Schools and Academies).

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, please provide:

1. Information relating to the location/address and use of the premises?

We can advise that all property information this relates to is either part of the Operational or Education portfolio and therefore in terms of responsibility for these buildings operational properties are managed either by the Council or the appropriate academy.

We can advise that all of the property included in the above portfolios have been reviewed.

Building Control do not keep records of the use of Reinforced Autoclaved Aerated Concrete Planks and as a result we do not have records of buildings that may have used such products within the construction of buildings in the Coventry area.

2. Are any remedial works planned or in progress?

Building Control do not have any knowledge of any proposed remedial works as we are not aware of any such products incorporated in to buildings in the Coventry area

3. Are any notifiable works required to Building Control?

Building Control do not have any information on any notifiable works required, as above we do not have the product noted / highlighted in any applications for work that we receive or have received in the past

4. Details of any surveys carried out to ascertain the presence and condition of RAAC planks?

We hold the information which you have asked for but we have estimated that the cost of meeting your request would exceed the cost limit of £450 specified in the Freedom of Information and Data Protection (Appropriate Limit and Fees Regulations 2004). This represents the estimated cost of one person spending 18 hours or more, in determining whether the information is held.

We estimate that as it would take 2 officers 3 weeks to determine if the information is held, locating, retrieving, compiling it, your request has been refused under section 12(2) of the Act.

Alternatively, it may be possible that you could narrow down the scope of your request, for example, by being more specific about what information you particularly wish to obtain, including any dates or periods of time relevant to the information required.

Alternatively, you may want to look at the information we already publish to see if what you are looking for is already available via the Council's FOI/EIR Disclosure Log; Publication Scheme; Facts about Coventry or Open Data.

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 casework@ico.org.uk.

Please remember to quote the reference number above in your response.

Yours faithfully

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