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Dear Sir/Madam

Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA)
Request ID: REQ00947

Thank you for your request for information relating to Rugby World Cup host.

Your request and answer below:

I would like to know why Coventry City Council did not initially choose to bid to become a Rugby World Cup host city when the city had been a host for Olympic football in 2012?

In our original response we included a letter from Coventry City Council's Chief Executive Martin Reeves which outlined the Council's support for the bid.

Coventry did bid to be a Rugby World Cup host city and the Council supported the Ricoh Arena's bid to be a host stadium. ACL, the company running the Ricoh Arena submitted the bid on behalf of the city and with the Council's support, but compiled all the paperwork and was responsible for the documentation for the bid.

If you require any further information regarding the Rugby World Cup bid, we would advise that you contact ACL direct.

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Yours faithfully

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