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Dear Sir/Madam.

Thank you for your request for information relating to funding for charities.

You have requested the following information:

I would be grateful if you could tell me for each of the last eight full financial years how much grant funding was awarded to charitable organisations by your local authority and how many grants this was composed of.

Further, could you tell me for each of the last eight full financial years how many contracts were awarded to charities to carry out services on behalf of your local authority and what the value of these contracts amounted to in each financial year.

We hold the information which you have requested 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, locating, retrieving and extracting it.

We do not hold the information you have requested in a format that can answer your request. To obtain this information we would need to conduct an investigation into every payment made over the last eight financial years which will exceed 18 hours.

Your request has therefore been refused under Section 12(2) of the Act.

However, in order to fulfil our obligations under Section 16 of the FOI Act to advise and assist you, we advise that the Council publish all payments made that are over £500. This information is publically available to you via the link below:

http://www.coventry.gov.uk/downloads/download/818/spending\_over\_500.

For information, we publish a variety of information such as: <u>FOI/EIR Disclosure Log</u>, <u>Publication Scheme</u>, <u>Facts about Coventry</u> and <u>Open Data</u> that you may find of useful if you are looking for information in the future.

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: <a href="mailto:infogov@coventry.gov.uk">infogov@coventry.gov.uk</a>

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 <a href="mailto:casework@ico.org.uk">casework@ico.org.uk</a>.

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

Yours sincerely

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