

Information Governance

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Dear

Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) Request ID: REQ05031

Thank you for your request for information relating to 'Spend on funding allocated to Council for promoting City of Culture 2021'.

Your request and our responses are outlined below:

1) How much of Coventry City Council's agreed/perceived budget of £5 million pounds for supporting, promoting City of Culture 2021 has been allocated?

We can confirm that we do not hold this information and are advising you as per Section 1(1) of the Act.

The £5m National Lottery award to Coventry referenced in the article attached to the Freedom of Information request is for an award made to the city by Arts Council England. The Coventry City of Culture Trust was the applicant for the award and is the recipient of the funding. Any allocation from this funding to local organisations will be managed directly by the Coventry City of Culture Trust.

To advise and assist you, the website for the Coventry City of Culture Trust, should you wish to redirect your request is as follows: https://coventry2021.co.uk/contact-us/

2) What local (within Coventry) organisations, causes, groups, institutions have already been allocated, agreed support from this fund?

We can confirm that we do not hold this information and are advising you as per Section 1(1) of the Act.

As outlined above, any allocations from this funding to local groups and organisations will be determined and directly managed by the Coventry City of Culture Trust.

3) If so what criteria has been met in order for them to receive financial assistance so as to promote themselves, worthy of inclusion, for Coventry, City of Culture 2021.

We can confirm that we do not hold this information and are advising you as per Section 1(1) of the Act.

The award to the Trust of £5m of National Lottery funding was made by Arts Council England on receipt of a successful application from the Trust. The criteria for the award of funding was determined by Arts Council England and the receipt of funding will be subject to agreement on any conditions of award between the two parties.

4) What sums/amounts have already been allocated and to which organisations, causes, institutions, groups & for what purpose. Also, have you imposed any restrictions/instructions to how this financial assistance is to be used?

We can confirm that we do not hold this information and are advising you as per Section 1(1) of the Act.

As previously outlined, any allocations from this funding to local groups and organisations will be determined and directly managed by the Coventry City of Culture Trust.

Should you wish to make any further requests for information, you may find what you are looking for is already published on the <u>Council's web site</u> and in particular its FOI/EIR <u>Disclosure log, Council's Publication Scheme, Open Data</u> and <u>Facts about Coventry</u>.

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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