



Information Governance

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Dear

**Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA)
Request ID: REQ05249**

Thank you for your request for information relating to abandoned cars.

Your request and our responses are outlined below:

1. The number of vehicles reported as abandoned within your local authority area broken down by year for the years listed below:

2013/14 = 456

2014/15 = 748

2015/16 = 942

2016/17 = 1,482

2017/18 = 1,670

2018/19 to date = 1,882

2. The number of abandoned vehicles removed in your local authority area broken down by year for the years listed below:

2013/14 = 76

2014/15 = 99

2015/16 = 105

2016/17 = 152

2017/18 = 117

2018/19 to date = 112

3. The number of abandoned vehicles destroyed by your local authority broken down by year for the years listed below:

2013/14 = 31

2014/15 = 36

2015/16 = 53

2016/17 = 210

2017/18 = 104

2018/19 to date = 93

4. The amount of money spent by your local authority on removing and destroying abandoned vehicles broken down by year for 2013/14, 2014/15, 2015/16, 2016/17, 2017/18 and 2018/19 to date.

We advise that this is cost neutral to the City Council - please see answer to question 5 below for further explanation.

5. The amount of money in fines distributed by your local authority to people for abandoning their vehicles broken down by year for 2013/14, 2014/15, 2015/16, 2016/17, 2017/18 and 2018/19 to date.

The City Council does not fine for abandonment of vehicles reported to us, we have a contractor that runs the service at cost neutral to the City Council. Any fines imposed are gathered by the contractor for running the contract. A typical three year contract is estimated to be from £57.000 to £157.000. Due to the nature of the service provision there is no guarantee of work. All costs associated with the removal, storage and the disposal charge to the vehicle owner and or proceedings from the scrapping of vehicles are retained by the contractor.

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

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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