

Information Governance

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Dear Sir/Madam

Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) Request ID: REQ06960

Thank you for your request for information relating to Brexit graffiti.

Your request and our responses are outlined below:

Please can you tell me in the period from 2016 to the date of this email, how many cases of graffiti containing the words 'Brexit', 'Remain', 'EU', 'European Union', 'Tory', 'Tories', 'Conservative', 'Boris', 'Johnson', 'Nigel', 'Farage', 'Theresa' 'May', 'Jeremy', 'Corbyn' have been reported to your authority?

For each incident, please tell me

- a) The exact wording of the graffiti
- b) The location of the graffiti
- c) The date the graffiti was reported
- d) The cost to your authority of removal either painting over or pressure washing the surface. If the cost per incident is not available, please give me a rough estimate of the cost to remove an average bit of graffiti to the council
- e) For the five most recent cases, please provide me with photos of the graffiti if possible.

We can confirm that we do not hold this information and are advising you as per Section 1(1) of the Act. This is because we do not break down our records to the level being requested. We only record where graffiti is racist or generally offensive.

The supply of information in response to a freedom of information request does not confer an automatic right to re-use the information. You can use any information supplied for the purposes of private study and non-commercial research without requiring further permission. Similarly, information supplied can also be re-used for the purposes of news reporting. An exception to this is photographs. Please contact us if you wish to use the information for any other purpose.

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</u>, <u>Council's Publication Scheme</u>, <u>Open Data and 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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