

## **Information Governance**

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Dear Sir/Madam

Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) Request ID: REQ07096

Thank you for your request for information relating to Building Control Applications

Your request and our responses are outlined below:

I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request the following information from the Building Control Register to help my research into property renovations:

- 1. Valid Date for all applications between 01/01/2015 and 31/12/2019
- 2. Site Address
- 3. Description of Works
- 4. Completion Date
- 5. Status
- 6. Decision
- 7. Decision Date

We hold the information which you have asked for 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.

We estimate that based on the average number of applications per year which is 2500 with a nominal allocation of 2 minutes per application, collating and compiling the data would take 208 hours for one officer. Your request has been refused under section 12(2) of the Act.

Alternatively it may be possible that you could narrow down the scope of your request, for example, by being more specific about what information you particularly wish to obtain, including any dates or periods of time relevant to the information required.

Alternatively, you may want to look at the information that we already publish. The data is readily available on a property by property basis via on-line Planning maps which contain a Building Control layer listing all applications against sites. To assist you further, please use the following link:

https://www.coventry.gov.uk/info/110/planning/1333/online\_planning\_map

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 faithfully

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