

## **Information Governance Team**

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Dear Sir/Madam

Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) Request ID: FOI339595393

Thank you for your request for information relating to Covid-19 spending.

You have requested the following information:

1. How much money the local authority has spent on advertising and marketing campaigns relating to public health messaging around Covid-19, between February 2020 and May 2021? This figure, broken down by monthly spending and as spending per person residing in the local authority?

We are unable to provide figures by spend per person. Please see below for full expenditure amounts:

Local authority test and trace service support grant:

October 2020 = £743 February 2021 = £159 March 2021 = £197 2. How much money the local authority has spent on establishing and running local Covid-19 testing and vaccination centres, including pop-up and surge events, between February 2020 and May 2021? This figure, broken down by monthly spending and as spending per person residing in the local authority?

We are unable to provide figures by spend per person. Please see below for full expenditure amounts:

Local authority test and trace service support grant:

Coventry Community Covid-19 Testing Service (for non-health & care settings)

Feb 2021 = £33,250 Mar 2021 = £1,659 Apr 2021 = £23,358 May 2021 = £5,603 Total = £49,347

3. How much money the UK Government has shared specifically with the local authority to support advertising and marketing campaigns relating to Covid-19 or the establishment and running of Covid-19 testing and vaccination centres, between February 2020 and May 2021? This figure, broken down by monthly spending and as spending per person residing in the local authority?

Please note, these requests do not relate to campaigns, testing or vaccination centres which have been paid for directly by the UK Government. Rather, initiatives run by and paid for by the local authority or money which has been given to the local authority to support its own initiatives.

Following careful consideration, the information you requested falls under the exemption(s) in Section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, which relates to 'information reasonably accessible to the applicant by other means.'

The exemption applies as the information is published and publicly available to view by accessing the Central Government website, please use the following link:

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/local-authority-test-and-trace-service-support-grant/local-authority-test-and-trace-service-support-grant-allocations

The purpose of the grant is to provide support to local authorities in England towards expenditure lawfully incurred or to be incurred in relation to the mitigation against and management of local outbreaks of COVID-19.

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

Yours faithfully

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