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Dear Sir/Madam

Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) Request ID: FOI340279664

Thank you for your request for information relating to Planning officers.

You have requested the following information:

1. How many planning officers do you currently employ?

15 officers are currently employed.

2. How many planning officers did you employ in January 2011?

We do not hold this information and are therefore advising you as per Section 1(1) of the Act. These records have been destroyed in line with the Council's Retention and Disposal policy.

3. What is your planning departments current budget?

The net budget for 2021-22 is £274,917.

4. What was your planning departments budget in January 2011?

We do not hold this information and are therefore advising you as per Section 1(1) of the Act. These records have been destroyed in line with the Council's Retention and Disposal policy.

5. What work has your authority undertaken in considering the volume of electric vehicle charging points needed in the district in the next decade?

The City Council has already invested heavily in delivering a network of over 400 on-street, publicly accessible, charge points for electric vehicles across the city. Work undertaken by Transport for West Midlands for the West Midlands Combined Authority area (which includes Coventry) has identified future requirements for further expansion of the network. The City Council is in the process of preparing a transport strategy covering the next decade. This include an EV Charging Infrastructure strategy which will provide the policy framework for this further expansion.

6. How many high streets (as defined by the ONS) are in your district?

We can confirm this information is accessible to you via the Office for National Statistics (ONS) website, please use the following link:-

https://www.ons.gov.uk/peoplepopulationandcommunity/populationandmigration/populationestimates

We therefore do not have to provide the information as per Section 21 of the FOIA.

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Yours faithfully

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