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Dear Sir/Madam

Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) Request ID: FOI364567297

Thank you for your request for information relating to Additional Restrictions Grant.

You have requested the following information:

1. Please can you let me know how many businesses in your borough applied for the Additional Restrictions Grant:

There were 3,174 applications. We advise that not all of the applicants will have received the grant due to various reasons, e.g. not meeting the eligibility criteria, duplicate applications, fraudulent applications etc.

2. How many were given approval to receive the fund:

2,718 businesses have received Additional Restrictions Grant (ARG) funding already. Please note that recent applications which have been submitted, are being processed.

3. The total amount of funds allocated:

The total ARG allocation for Coventry was £12,584,498, of which £11,893,597 has been spent or allocated.

4. The total amount of funds still held by your council and yet to be given out:

As of 13 October 2021, £690,901 remains from the allocation. However, the most recent

applications are being processed and the delivery of wider business support is ongoing.

5. The average waiting time to receive the full funds:

The average waiting time is 10 to 20 working days after the application window has closed.

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Yours faithfully

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