

## **Information Governance Team**

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Dear Sir/Madam

Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) Request ID: FOI395126480

Thank you for your request for information relating to Council spend on public artwork.

You have requested the following information:

This is an information request relating to council funding of public artwork.

By public artwork I mean any artwork within the council's remits which is publicly displayed and includes, but is not limited to, sculptures, mosaics, paintings, murals whether standalone or on bridges, walls or any other structures.

Please include the information for each of the following periods; 2019-20, 2020-21, 2021-22:

1. A full breakdown of any public artwork commissioned and funded by the council, including details on location and all costs including the cost of installation, commissioning and any incidentals. Please also include where relevant the difference, if any, between the expected cost and actual cost. Where a piece of public artwork has not yet been completed, please include the expected cost and the cost so far

We can confirm that the majority of public art commissioned and installed across the city was funded from grant funding which was obtained to ensure the city was ready to host UK City of Culture 2021 or as part of Covid Recovery funds administered by ERDF. Additionally, a number of public art pieces have been installed by private companies.

These grant funding streams were:

- West Midlands Combined Authority Funding
- European Regional Development Funding (Welcome Back Fund and High Street Fund)
- Coventry and Warwickshire Local Enterprise Partnership

In addition, further information regarding public art in the city can be sought from:

- City of Culture Trust
- Coventry BID
- Coventry University

Coventry City Council spent £75,266 on the development of a public art proposal which is not being taken forward to production and installation.

## 2. Images of the public artwork, or an artist's rendering if that's not possible

We confirm that we do not hold this information and are advising you as per Section 1(1) of the Act. We do not hold any funded artwork images.

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

Yours faithfully

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