

Information Governance Team

Postal Address: Coventry City Council PO Box 15 Council House Coventry CV1 5RR

www.coventry.gov.uk

E-mail: infogov@coventry.gov.uk Phone: 024 7697 5408

11 March 2022

Dear Sir/Madam

Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) Request ID: FOI404794514

Thank you for your request for information relating to Afghan refugees, asylum seekers.

You have requested the following information:

1. How many Afghan refugees and Asylum seekers are currently being accommodated in hotels or bed and breakfast please?

2. How long they've been staying there?

For Questions 1 and 2, we confirm that we do not hold this information and are advising you as per Section 1(1) of the Act. The Council is aware that there are Afghan Refugees who have been accommodated by the Home Office in hotels in Coventry, however, the Council does not hold information regarding numbers of refugees or of length of stay.

The Council is also aware that there are a number of Asylum Seekers in Coventry hotels of various nationalities which may include Afghans. These arrangements are also made by the Home Office or their contractors and the Council does not hold detailed information regarding nationalities or lengths of stay.

To advise and assist you further, the Home Office holds the requested information and can be contacted with the following details:

Direct Communications Unit 2 Marsham Street London SW1P 4DF

Email: public.enquiries@homeoffice.gov.uk

For information, we publish a variety of information such as: <u>FOI/EIR Disclosure Log</u>, <u>Publication</u> <u>Scheme</u>, <u>Facts about Coventry</u> and <u>Open Data</u> that you may find of useful if you are looking for information in the future.

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: <u>infogov@coventry.gov.uk</u>

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 icocasework@ico.org.uk.

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

Yours faithfully

Information Governance