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Dear Sir/Madam

Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) Request ID: FOI449646066

Thank you for your request for information relating to public parks.

You have requested the following information:

I would be grateful if you could prioritise my first question.

Could you please provide me with the following information for each public park in your area between 1 May and 31 August in each year specified (2017, 2018, 2019, 2021 and 2022):

1. The number of days that any area of the park was not accessible to local residents because of an event that had an entry fee (please include the total duration including the set-up, event itself, and pack up). If you do not have data for all the years, please provide whatever you do have. I'd be really grateful if you could supply the information in the format of the table below.

Name of public park:

Number of days between 1 June and 31 August 2017:

Number of days between 1 June and 31 August 2018:

Number of days between 1 June and 31 August 2019:

Number of days between 1 June and 31 August 2021:

Number of days between 1 June and 31 August 2022:

2. How much was the council paid for these commercial events? Please provide this in the format of the table below.

Name of public park:

Financial benefit (£) from events between 1 June and 31 August 2017:

Financial benefit (£) from events between 1 June and 31 August 2018:

Financial benefit (£) from events between 1 June and 31 August 2019:

Financial benefit (£) from events between 1 June and 31 August 2021:

Financial benefit (£) from events between 1 June and 31 August 2022:

We hold the information which you have asked for, but we have estimated that the cost of meeting your request would exceed the cost limit of £450 specified in the Freedom of Information and Data Protection (Appropriate Limit and Fees Regulations 2004). This represents the estimated cost of one person spending 18 hours or more, in determining whether the information is held, locating, retrieving and extracting it.

The information is not held in an existing report format. We have estimate it will take in excess of 18 hours work as officers will need to manually review over five years of park bookings to determine and collated the requested information requested. Your request has therefore been refused under section 12(2) of the Act.

However, in order to fulfil our obligations under Section 16 of the FOI Act to advise and assist you, we advise that some parks and open spaces hire fees are published on the Council website. Please refer to the information accessible via the below link:

https://www.coventry.gov.uk/parks-open-spaces/book-park

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Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF or email <u>icocasework@ico.org.uk</u>.

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

Yours faithfully

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