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Dear Sir/Madam

Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) Request ID: FOI475508463

Thank you for your request for information relating to Homeless deaths 2022.

You have requested the following information:

Please can I request the number of deaths from 1st January 2022 – 31st December 2022 (inclusive) in each of the following housing situations in your local authority area:

1. accommodation for homeless people commissioned by your council, including hostels and supported accommodation for people identified as rough sleeping or with a history of rough sleeping.

None.

2. exempt accommodation

We do not hold this information and are advising you as per Section 1(1) of the Act. The Council does not hold these records.

- **3.** temporary accommodation commissioned by your local authority 4.
- **4.** supported accommodation for homeless young people commissioned by your council. None.
- 5. rough sleeping or with no fixed abode

None.

Where you have access to any of the following information, please include the cause of death or suspected cause of death, date of death, the person's gender, the person's age when they died, their ethnicity, and their immigration status. If you cannot provide any of this additional information, then please just provide the number of deaths.

We are unable to provide further details of the individuals as this may lead to identification of living individuals related/connected to the deceased. This has been done as the Council considers that this information meets the definition for personal data set out in Section 3(2) and 3(3) of the Data Protection Act 2018 (DPA) as:

- (2) personal data means any information relating to an identified or identifiable livingindividual (subject to subsection (14)(c))"
- (3) "Identifiable living individual" means a living individual who can be identified, directly or indirectly, in particular by reference to –
- (a) an identifier such as a name, an identification number, location data or an online identifier, or (b) one or more factors specific to the physical, physiological, genetic, mental, economic, cultural or social identity of the individual."

The Council thus considers that the requested information is caught by the exemption to disclosure contained in Section 40 (2) of the FOI Act and the related first condition of Section 40 (3).

The supply of information in response to a FOI/EIR request does not confer an automatic right to re-use the information. You can use any information supplied for the purposes of private study and non-commercial research without requiring further permission. Similarly, information supplied can also be re-used for the purposes of news reporting. An exception to this is photographs. Please contact us if you wish to use the information for any other purpose.

For information, we publish a variety of information such as: <u>FOI/EIR Disclosure Log</u>, <u>Publication 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: infogov@coventry.gov.uk

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

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