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Dear Sir/Madam

Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) Request ID: FOI485066779

Thank you for your request for information relating to hotel spend during SWEP.

You have requested the following information:

Please provide me with the amount Coventry council has spent on hotels for rough sleepers during SWEP periods

- Please could you break this down into a cost per year for the following years:

2023, 2022, 2021, 2020, 2019, 2018, 2017, 2016, 2015, 2014, 2013

We only hold part of the requested information. For the years 2013 to 2021/22, we confirm that we do not hold this information and are advising you as per Section 1(1) of the Act.

For 2014 to 2020, SWEP provision was commissioned by the Council and provided by The Salvation Army under a wider contract which included a range of support and accommodation services for homeless people (including rough sleepers). Therefore, we are unable to provide the specific cost for hotels for rough sleepers during SWEP periods.

For the 2020/21 winter period, accommodation was provided under the 'Everyone In' programme, separate records for SWEP periods were not kept.

For the 2021/22 winter period, accommodation was provided under the Protect and Vaccinate grant and again, separate records were not kept for SWEP periods.

For the 2022/23 winter period (so far), the spend on hotels for rough sleepers during SWEP periods has been:

December 2022: £8,515 January 2023: £16,545

February 2023: invoices have not yet been received, so we are unable to give an accurate figure, however we estimate it will be in the region of £7,500.

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Yours faithfully

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