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Dear Sir/Madam

Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) Request ID: FOI534288427

Thank you for your request for information relating to VAT on social care services.

You have requested the following information:

1. How many contracts does the local authority currently (2023/24) hold with social care providers that enable the local authority to commission adult social care services from the providers' trading subsidiary in order that VAT can be reclaimed.

We confirm that we currently hold no contracts with social care providers that enable us to commission adult social care services within the years 2023/24.

2. How many contracts does the local authority currently (2023/24) hold with social care providers that enable the local authority to commission children's social care services from the providers' trading subsidiary in order that VAT can be reclaimed.

In response to Question 2, Coventry City Council would actively seek to avoid this practice, so to our knowledge there are no such contracts. However, the Council's Procurement team do not hold this information to be able to verify that this is the case in every contract that Children's Services has in place.

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Yours faithfully

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