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Dear Sir/Madam

**Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA)
Request ID: FOI687182584**

Thank you for your request for information relating to Public Toilets.

You have requested the following information:

1. Please provide the following information for the listed years:

**2010/11, 2011/12, 2012/13, 2013/14, 2014/15, 2015/16, 2016/17, 2017/18, 2018/19, 2019/20,
2020/21, 2021/22, 2022/23, 2023/24, 2024/25**

a. Number of public toilets open for use.

b. Number of toilets operated or owned by the council

For Questions 1a and 1b, please see attached spreadsheet.

c. Annual cleaning costs for public toilets Information.

We do not hold this information and are advising you as per Section 1(1) of the Act. This cost cannot be distinguished from the overall cleaning costs.

d. Annual budget for street cleaning.

The information you requested falls under the exemption(s) in Section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, which relates to 'information reasonably accessible to the applicant by other means.'

The exemption applies as the information is published and publicly available to view by accessing the Council website, please use the following link:

<https://www.coventry.gov.uk/budgets-spending>

2. Please provide the following information for 2024/25:

a. Average length of time that public toilets are open (in hours)

Monday to Saturday 9 hours a day; Sunday 7 hours

b. Shortest length of time that any public toilet is open (in hours)

Monday to Saturday 9 hours a day; Sunday 7 hours

3. What are the main reasons given for closing public toilets?

The financial cost. Further information is available online in published minutes of Cabinet meetings. See: <https://edemocracy.coventry.gov.uk/uuCoverPage.aspx?bcr=1>

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Yours faithfully

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