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Dear Sir/Madam

**Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA)**  
**Request ID: FOI675829747**

Thank you for your request for information relating to Local authority elections. We sincerely apologise for the delay.

You have requested the following information:

**1. How often local election cycles are held excluding by-elections. For example, the full council is elected every four years or a third of councillors are elected every year except the county council year.**

Coventry City Council elects in thirds so holds elections 3 out of 4 years. 2025 is the fallow year.

**2. The year or years local elections took place in the latest cycle since 2021 excluding by-elections. For example, if there is one local election where all councillors are elected once every four years then provide the year in which that election was held. If councillors are elected by thirds over a four year period then provide all years within the time period that these elections took place in the latest cycle to elect all councillors.**

Elections took place in 2021 this was due to them being postponed from 2020 due to Covid (2021 should have been a fallow year). 2022, 2023 and 2024.

**3. The total cost of each local council election held excluding by-elections broken down by election. For example, if there is one election where all councillors are elected once every four years then provide the cost of running that election. If councillors are elected by thirds over a four year period then provide the costs for each of those three elections in the latest cycle.**

As per response to Question 1, we elect by thirds. The last three elections costs were:

2024: 823,856.75

2023: 659,433.96

2022: 614,041.76

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Yours faithfully

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