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Dear Sir/Madam

Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA)

Request ID: FOI712924288

Thank you for your request for information relating to Civil Penalties relating to housing offences.

You have requested the following information:

1. The total number of Civil Penalties relating to housing offences served to private landlords per year for the following years:

2023/2024

2024/2025

- 2. The number of Civil Penalties issued to private landlords each year (so 2023/2024 & 2024/2025) for each of the following offences per year:
- a) Failure to comply with an Improvement Notice (section 30 of the Housing Act 2004)
- b) Offences in relation to licensing of Houses in Multiple Occupation (section 72 of the Housing Act 2004)
- c) Offences in relation to licensing of houses under Part 3 of the Act (section 95 of the Housing Act 2004)
- d) Offences of contravention of an overcrowding notice (section 139 of the Housing Act 2004)
- e) Failure to comply with management regulations in respect of Houses in Multiple Occupation (section 234 of the Housing Act 2004)
- f) Banning Orders under the Housing and Planning Act 2016
- g) Offences in relation to Minimum Energy Efficiency Standards (MEES) Regulations
- h) Smoke and Carbon Monoxide (England) Regulations 2015
- 3. The total amount of income (£) levied (so before appeals/negotiations/legal costs etc) in

Civil Penalties relating to housing offences to private landlords per year for the following years:

2023/2024

2024/2025

4. The total amount of income (£) collected (after appeals/negotiations/legal costs etc) in Civil Penalties relating to housing offences to private landlords per year for the following years:

2023/2024

2024/2025

For 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/housing enforcement/hmo enforcement action

With regard to the last two questions, we publish the final amount only after a decision, negotiation, or appeal has been concluded. We do not record the initially proposed amounts, as they are not relevant until the final decision is made. We are therefore advising you as per Section 1(1) that this part of the requested information is not held.

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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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