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Dear Sir/Madam

**Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA)
Request ID: FOI716901440**

Thank you for your request for information relating to Number of fines issues to landlords for fire safety breaches.

You have requested the following information:

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, I would like to request the following information relating to enforcement action taken against landlords for fire safety breaches in your local authority area:

- 1. The number of fines issued to landlords for breaches of fire safety regulations in residential properties, for each of the past five financial years. Please provide the total number of fines issued per year.**
- 2. The total monetary value of those fines, broken down by year for the same five-year period.**
- 3. A breakdown of the types of fire safety breaches that led to these fines (e.g., missing smoke alarms, blocked fire escapes), for each of the past five financial years. Please provide the number of fines issued for each type of breach per year.**

In response to your request, we confirm we hold some of the information which you have requested, but we have estimated that the cost of meeting your request would exceed the cost limit of £450 specified in the Freedom of Information and Data Protection (Appropriate Limit and Fees Regulations 2004). This represents the estimated cost of one person spending 18 hours or

more, in determining whether the information is held, locating, retrieving and extracting it.

We do not specifically report which fines directly relate to fire safety breaches however they may be covered under cases where a number of breaches are involved (e.g. fire safety, health and safety, and amenities). Whilst it would be possible to review each record individually and examine the notices, we confirm this is not held in a reportable format, as completing this manual trawl will exceed the 18-hour working limit. Therefore, your request has been refused under section 12(2) of the Act.

However, in order to fulfil our obligations under Section 16 of the FOI Act to advise and assist you, we advise that the total number of fines we have issued to landlords over the past five years are published on the Council website, which is available for you to access via the below link:

[https://www.coventry.gov.uk/housing enforcement/hmo enforcement action](https://www.coventry.gov.uk/housing%20enforcement/hmo%20enforcement%20action)

For information, we publish a variety of information such as: [FOI/EIR Disclosure Log](#), [Publication Scheme](#), [Facts about Coventry](#) and [Open Data](#) 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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