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Dear Sir/Madam

Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) Request ID: FOI753292809

Thank you for your request for information relating to Housing and referrals made to youth hostels.

You have requested the following information:

I am currently researching youth homelessness within the United Kingdom and I was looking to gain access to some data that may be stored by yourselves.

1. I am looking for data regarding the number of referrals made to the local supported youth hostels, such as the YMCA or Foyer, by the Council on behalf of homeless people aged between 18 and 24 years old, since 2020 (if possible).

No personal information is required, just the total number of referrals for each year.

We hold the information which you have asked for, 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 record this in a reportable format. The information will be held within case notes. We estimate it will exceed 18 hours for an officer to manually trawl through the notes to answer your request. Your request has therefore been refused under section 12(2) of the Act.

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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