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Dear Sir/Madam

Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) Request ID: FOI759162111

Thank you for your request for information relating to EPCs, MEES, and private-rented housing information.

You have requested the following information:

I am writing to you to request some information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, regarding Energy Performance Certificates (EPCs) and compliance with Minimum Energy Efficiency Standards (MEES) in private-rented housing in your area. More specifically, we would like answers to the following questions:

Private-rented and HMO properties

1. How many properties do you have in total registered as meeting House of Multiple Occupancy (HMO) compliance regulations?

We do not hold this information and are advising you as per Section 1(1) of the Act. This is not recorded by Coventry City Council.

2. How many properties do you have in total registered in your area as being privately rented? This includes both HMO and non-HMO private-rented properties.

We do not hold this information and are advising you as per Section 1(1) of the Act. There is no registration of privately rented (non HMO) properties in Coventry.

To assist, the total number currently licensed HMOs is 5,414 (at 3/11/25)

MEES Compliance:

- 1. How many MEES Compliance Notices have you served in the last 12 months? 01/10/2024-30/09/2025: 79.
- 2. Of these notices served, how many Compliance Notices resulted in a confirmed breach of regulation?

23.

- 3. How many of these breaches resulted in the issue of a fine?
- 12 have been processed to the final penalty.
- 4. What was the total penalty amount for each confirmed breach?

Description	~	Fines Impose *
The Energy Efficiency (private Rented Property) (england And Wales) Regulations 2015		5000
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EPCs:

1. How many properties have registered for an EPC exemption, and where available, what are the reasons for these exemptions?

This is not under the control of the Council however it is publicly available. Please use the link below:

https://prsregister.beis.gov.uk/NdsBeisUi/failover-landing

2. How many rented properties do you have on record with each EPC Grade? To be clear, this is a breakdown for how many properties you have with each EPC Grade, ranging from A-G inclusive.

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 Government website, please use the following link:

https://www.gov.uk/find-energy-certificate

3. How many HMO properties do you currently have registered as renting without a valid EPC?

We do not hold this information and are advising you as per Section 1(1) of the Act. We do not have a register.

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 Government website, please use the following link:

Please see https://www.gov.uk/find-energy-certificate

Energy Efficiency: (Warm Homes Team response)

1. Does your local authority offer support for landlords to upgrade their properties to be more energy efficient?

Yes.

a. If yes, what support is available? And what budget does your local authority allocate to this support?

Warm Homes: Local Grant scheme: Eligible private landlords, with tenants meeting the eligibility criteria can apply for grant funding to cover between 70% and 50% of the cost of energy efficiency improvement measures such as low carbon heating and insulation. This is currently being targeted as a place-based scheme in Hillfields area of Coventry.

The Council can also sign Eco Flex declarations for eligible private tenants, as proof to an energy supplier that the household qualifies for energy-saving measures like insulation or new boilers. The ECO4 scheme is not managed by local authorities, the Council can just support with ECO Flex Declarations which allows households who may not qualify through standard criteria but are still vulnerable, in fuel poverty, or on a low income, to receive support.

- 2. Does your local authority offer support for private-rented tenants to upgrade their properties to be more energy efficient?

 Yes.
- a. If yes, what support is available? And what budget does your local authority allocate to this support?

See response to question 3a.

3. Does your local authority offer support for private-rented tenants to support them to pay high energy bills?

Yes.

a. If yes, what support is available? And what budget does your local authority allocate to this support?

Household Support Fund – Fuel vouchers for residents meeting the eligibility criteria: https://www.coventry.gov.uk/council-tax-benefits/household-support-fund.

The Council also has access to information of local charities / organisations that can provide

additional support to residents in paying energy bills.

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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: infoqov@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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