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Dear Sir/Madam

**Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA)
Request ID: FOI850451616**

Thank you for your request for information relating to Glyphosate and pesticide management.

You have requested the following information:

I am writing to make a request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000/Environmental Information Regulations about the use of glyphosate for amenity weed killing and any breaches of UK pesticide regulations.

The queries are as follows:

1. Do you or your landscape/ grounds maintenance contractors use glyphosate?

Yes.

2. Have you or your contractors used any alternative products or methods to glyphosate for weed control? If so what are they?

Our contractor has trialled an acetic acid / saline solution mix as an alternative. We have trialled stream methods also however both options were not viable long term.

3. Has your council's policy regarding use of glyphosate to kill weeds changed in the last 5 years? Are there any plans to change in the future?

There are no plans to change policy. We always try to minimise our chemical usage where possible. We also review other methods that may be more environmentally friendly, weighing these options up against current methods to see if they are viable realistic options.

3. Have your grounds maintenance teams or contractors been found to be in breach of Health & Safety Executive Official Controls (Plant Protection Products) Regulations 2020 or Plant Protection Products (Sustainable Use) Regulations 2012 in the last 12 months?

No.

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Yours faithfully

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