



# EAST CAMBRIDGESHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

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Further to your information request FOI/EIR 22/23-061 please find your question and our response below.

## **Request:**

I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request the following information. Please can you provide the following:

- A bullet point list of all the measures the council has taken in preparation for the introduction of the 'Protect Duty' which is expected to come into effect in 2022
- The full amount (in £) the council has spent to date implementing the aforementioned measures as well as the amount of money (in £) assigned to make the above changes ahead of the introduction of 'Protect Duty'
- If you have not yet assigned a budget or implemented measures ahead of 'Protect Duty' coming into effect, do you expect to do so in the next 6 months? (please answer either Yes, No or N/A)

Clarification of what we are referring to when we say 'Protect Duty':

*The government is imposing new legislation under the name of 'Protect Duty', increasing the protection of the UK's publicly accessible locations against terrorist attacks and ensuring they are equipped to deal with all possible incidents. Additional security measures and perimeter protection will be required for public venues, organisations, and public spaces under this new legislation.*

## **Response:**

- East Cambridgeshire District Council were consulted on Protect Duty last year. A number of Service Leads were involved in the consultation and compiled a joint response. The response was signed off by the Head of Emergency Planning.
- No additional costs have been incurred specific to Protect Duty
- N/A

This concludes your request FOI/EIR 22/23-061

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If you disagree with our decision or are otherwise unhappy with how we have dealt with your request in the first instance you may approach [foi@eastcambs.gov.uk](mailto:foi@eastcambs.gov.uk) and request a review. A request for review must be made in no more than 40 working days from the date of this email.

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