



# EAST CAMBRIDGESHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

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Further to your information request FOI/EIR 22/23-240 please find your question and our response below.

## **Request:**

I am sending this request under the Freedom of Information Act to ask for the following information:

1. How much are you expecting to spend on energy costs this winter (October – April) compared to the same period last year?
2. Are you planning to cancel or spend less than the year before on festive events or decorations because of costs? These include but are not limited to Christmas lights, bonfire night, Christmas markets, Christmas trees, etc.
3. How much money are you projected to save if the council cancels any festive events or decorations?
4. Are you planning to spend less on other council services, such as street lighting, than in 2021 to save energy and fuel costs? What changes have you made?
5. Has the council decided to close any of its community spaces such as halls, libraries and leisure centres, either temporarily or permanently for the remainder of 2022 and/or 2023 to reduce energy and fuel costs?
6. If so, how many community spaces will close and how much money does the council estimate this will save on its energy and fuel costs? Please can you include the type of community space in your response.

## **Response:**

1. We do not hold this information
2. East Cambridgeshire District Council is not responsible for events such as: bonfire night, Christmas Lights or Christmas Trees. We are responsible for Ely markets, and these will run as usual.
3. n/a
4. Most street lighting is run by Cambridgeshire County Council. The street lighting that East Cambridgeshire District Council runs is LED and we have no plans to reduce these.
5. East Cambridgeshire District Council is not responsible for halls or libraries. We do run the Leisure Centre and there are no plans to close this.
6. Zero

This concludes your request FOI/EIR 22/23-240

If information has been refused please treat this as a Refusal Notice for the purposes of the Act.

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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