



EAST CAMBRIDGESHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

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Further to your information request FOI/EIR 23/24-040, please find your question and our response below.

Request:

Littering Fine Value:

1. Do you issue fines for littering? YES/NO
2. If so, at what level do you levy fines?
3. *The Government said in March 2023 that they are increasing the upper limit on fines for littering to £500.*
 - a. Will you be levying fines at this level?
 - b. If not, at what level will you levy fines for littering?

Enforcement & Statistics:

4. Do you use an in-house team or private enforcement company to issue fines for littering?
5. How many fines (FPNs) for littering were issued in your council area in 2021/2022?
6. How many fines (FPNs) for car parking were issued in your council area in 2021/2022?

Litter Bins:

7. How many litter bins do you have in your council area now?
8. How many litter bins did you have 10 years ago?
9. Have you removed any litter bins in the past 10 years, and if so, how many?

Litter Clearance Costs:

10. What was your annual spend on litter clearance 2021/2022 and how does this compare to 2011/2012?

Response:

Littering Fine Value:

1. Yes
2. £150
3.
 - a. No
 - b. £150

Enforcement & Statistics:

4. In-House
5. 7
6. 298

Litter Bins:

7. 771
8. We do not hold this data. We hold it up until 2018 when we had 751 litterbins.
9. We only hold data up until 2018. We have removed 3 litterbins. Please note, that we have during the same time, installed 23 new litterbins.

Litter Clearance Costs:

10. We do not record the cost of litter picking as a separate cost, as this is included in our general street cleansing costs. We therefore do not hold the information requested.

In respect of those requests that are answered in full, partially or the total refused, please take this as notice under FOIA, that we:

- a) Consider the information as exempt from disclosure under the Act;
- b) Claim exempt under sections of the Act:

Section 12(4)(a) – Information Not Held

- c) State why the exemption applies:

Regulation 12 (4) a public authority may refuse to disclose information to the extent that (a) it does not hold that information when an applicant's request is received.

This concludes your request FOI/EIR 23/24-040

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 and request a review. A request for review must be made in no more than 40 working days from the date of this email.

Should you remain dissatisfied with the outcome you have a right under s50 of the Freedom of Information Act to appeal against the decision by contacting the Information Commissioner, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow SK9 5AF.