



EAST CAMBRIDGESHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

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Further to your information request FOI/EIR 23/24-091, please find your question and our response below.

Request:

- The number of garden-related complaints the council has received in the last 3 years and what each of these was (for example 10 noise complaints, 5 excessive garden fires etc.)

Response:

We do not have a separate code for garden related complaints so I am only able to provide you with the list of complaints we have received that could be related in some way to a domestic property and potentially as a result of garden related activities. However, some may be related to inside a property for example internal music, pests etc.

Between 06/06/2020 – 06/06/2023

Domestic bonfires - 75

Pests (including wasps, bees, rats, mice, etc.) – 158. This won't distinguish between whether the pests are in the house or the garden.

Alarms – 11

Barking Dogs – 153

Music – 199

Parties – 31

Animals (not dogs) and birds – 14

People noise (such as raised voices, banging, slamming doors, etc.) – 113

DIY – 16

TV/Radio – 5

Fireworks – 2

Lights – 25

Domestic odour (animal faeces and urine, cooking smells, cannabis, etc.) – 25

Pollution general (BBQs, overgrown gardens, wood burners, etc.) – 93

This concludes your request FOI/EIR 23/24-091

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.