



My Ref: FOI 6058
Enquiries to: Information Requests
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Dear Requester,

Re: Request for Information – Freedom of Information Act 2000

I wish to confirm that the council has completed its search for the information which you requested.

The information requested and our findings are as follows: -

What are the current business rates for Elsecar Heritage Centre and how do they compare to the last 5 years?

The information requested is exempt under Section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 as it is reasonably accessible by other means. The information can be found at the below link: [Business rates freedom of information \(FOI\) requests](#)

How much has been spent so far on the renovations on the heritage centre and how much over budget are the current works?

Under Cabinet decision Cab.18.5.2022/12, Cabinet approved the acceptance of £3.230 million from the ACE Cultural Development Fund for works at Elsecar Heritage Centre. In addition, Cabinet decision Cab.27.11.2024/8 approved £1 million for the drainage infrastructure works at the Elsecar Heritage Centre (this included £0.300 million from the Cultural Development Fund grant) This increased the total approved funding allocation for works at Elsecar Heritage Centre to £3.930 million.

Capital expenditure on the renovation and drainage works to date is £3.029 million, which remains within the approved funding allocation.

How much longer are the building works expected to be in place for Elsecar heritage centre?

The drainage works are expected to be complete by early August 2026. The remaining Cultural Development Fund building works are expected to be complete by 1 September 2026.

If you have any queries about this letter, please contact Information Requests Via email.

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Barnsley
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Customer Services Team
Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
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SK9 5AF

Email: <http://www.ico.org.uk/foicomplaints>

Kind regards,

Information Requests Team, Barnsley MBC

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