

My Ref: FOI5063

Enquiries to: Information Requests

E-Mail: <u>informationrequests@barnsley.gov.uk</u>

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: -

Please provide the following information for the period 1 April 2020 to 31 March 2025, broken down by financial year:

1) Total expenditure by the council on pest control services, including both inhouse provision and external/contracted services.

2020-21 £153,140 2021-22 £145,962 2022-23 £151,106 2023-24 £198,553 2024-25 £197,235

2) If any services are contracted out, please provide the supplier name(s) and the contract value(s).

We do not contract work out

3) The number of call-outs/treatments by species category (e.g. rats, mice, pigeons, gulls, foxes, grey squirrels, wasps, bedbugs, cockroaches—please use your own categories if recorded differently).

Please see attached

4) For any lethal control commissioned or carried out by the council, the number of animals killed by species and, where recorded, the method used (e.g. trapping, poisoning, shooting).

We do not hold this information.

5) A copy of any policy, guidance, or standard operating procedure relating to the council's pest control service or contractors.

Please visit <u>www.thinkwildlife.org/crru-uk/</u> which are approved regulations and practices for the Council.

Please also provide the information in CSV, Excel, or another machine-readable format where possible.

If any part of this request is unclear, or if fulfilling it would exceed the statutory cost limit, please provide advice and assistance on how I can refine it.

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

Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you are unhappy with the way the Directorate has handled your request, you may ask for an internal review. Please clearly mark your correspondence 'Complaint' and address it to:

Barnsley MBC Information Requests Team PO Box 634 Barnsley S70 9GG

email: informationrequests@barnsley.gov.uk

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: -

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

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

Kind regards,

Information Requests Team, Barnsley MBC

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