



My Ref: FOI 5805
Enquiries to: Information Requests
E-Mail: informationrequests@barnsley.gov.uk

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: -

**How much do you spend annually on annual border plants and how much do you spend on perennials? Can you break it down for the last three years please?
How many tonnes of flowers are discarded each year? Can you break it down for the last three years please?
What happens to them?
Do you use weedkiller? Or an organic alternative?
If so, how much do you spend on weedkiller each year? Can you break it down annually please?**

A. Border plants & perennials

	Border Plants (£)	Perennials (£)
2023/24	21,927.00	933.62
2024/25	22,664.00	892.16
2025/26	9741.42	44.00

Flowers are included in our green waste which are taken to our off taker for composting. We do not hold in information on how many flowers are discarded.

B. Weedkiller

Do you use weedkiller – Yes, we use herbicide products in our weed control efforts, these are used in compliance with HSE requirements in accordance with the Plant Protection Products Regulations 2020.

2023/24	£14,624.00
2024/25	£19,693.00
2025/26	£25,711.00

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Information Requests Team
PO Box 634
Barnsley
S70 9GG
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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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