

Response to Request for Information

Reference EIR 000189

Date 6 November 2017

Residential Refuse

Request:

I am requesting the following information under the freedom of information act:

- 1. Can you tell me how many residential refuse, recycling, garden waste, and food waste bins owned by the council have been lost or stolen for the years 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, and 2017.
- 2. For each year can you tell me how much cost the council has incurred replacing the lost and stolen bins.

Please break the information down by calendar year.

Thank you for your request for information about the above. We are treating this as a request for information under the Environmental Information Regulations 2004 rather than Freedom of Information.

In response to your request please find our response below:

Where a request is for environmental information, the Regulations allows the Council to refuse to disclose it if the exception at EIR Regulation 12(4)(a) applies.

The regulation states that a public authority may refuse to disclose environmental information to the extent that it does not hold that information when an applicant's request is received.

It is not possible for us to conduct a public interest balancing test because the reason for non-disclosure is that the information is not held.