



Response to Request for Information

Reference FOI 0815123
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Council Expenditure

Request and response in 'blue':

- 1 Does the council have a register of how many pot holes in the borough and how many are awaiting repair?

We have a list of pot holes, those completed and those outstanding.

- 2 How many council employees earn over £100k?

We can confirm that the department holds information that you have asked for in relation to the above. However, the information is exempt under section 21 of the FOI Act because it is reasonably accessible to you, and I am pleased to inform you that you can access it on our website via the following link:

<http://data.wolverhampton.gov.uk/View/employees/senior-salaries-wcc>

Section 21(1) of the Freedom of Information Act exempts disclosure of information that is reasonably accessible by other means, and the terms of the exemption mean that we do not have to consider whether or not it would be in the public interest for you to have the information.

You can find out more about Section 21 by reading the extract from the Act, available at: <http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2000/36/section/21>

- 3 Are there any plans to cut children's services?

Currently there are no agreed plans to cut children's services.

- 4 Does the council fund any local charities and if so how much of the budget is spent on them?

The Council provides grant support to a number of organisations some of whom have charitable status but does not specifically fund local charities.

- 5 How much does the council spend on advertising and marketing?

In 2014/15 the council's external expenditure on advertising and marketing was £446,000

- 6 What is the planned budget for the combined authority?

The West Midlands authorities have each contributed £350,000 towards a total

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of £2.1 million for the implementation of the Combined Authority.