

From: Freedom of Information Requests
Sent: 21 May 2025 16:45
To:
Subject: Freedom of Information response -

Dear Sir/Madam,

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request dated 30 April 2025 for information about drones. Please find below City of Doncaster Council's responses to the questions you have raised.

Request

- A list of all drones currently owned or operated by the Council, including the make and model of each device.
- The total number of each make and model currently in active use.
- Where available, a description of the primary purpose or operational role assigned to each drone model (e.g., surveying, environmental monitoring, inspections of infrastructure, public safety, etc.).

Response

- 2 x DJI Mini 4 Pro - Tree inspection and surveys, to reduce the need for tree climbing or mobile elevated work platforms during the survey & inspection process, where a particular defect may have been found that requires a more close-up or detailed assessment e.g., suspicion of cavities/decay/disease in the upper crown of a tree or to assess bat roost potential. It is also used to overfly woodland blocks comprising tree species that are susceptible to certain notifiable diseases to monitor for disease presence, which is often difficult, sometimes impossible, to see from ground level. Sustainability environmental monitoring, inspections of infrastructure, photography and video for reporting and marketing.
- 1 x DJI Mini 3 Pro - to gather footage of the general aerial views of Doncaster City and its surrounding areas such as cityscapes, parks and local landmarks and provide aerial views of large scale infrastructure projects for marketing and informational purposes.

I hope that this information is useful to you.

The City of Doncaster Council estimates that it has cost £49 to respond to this request for information.

Reviewing any decisions made:

If you are not happy with this reply you can ask us to review our response. To do this write to us within 40 working days of receiving your response at the address below or email FOIAppeals@doncaster.gov.uk

If you do not agree with the review decision you can apply to the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) for a decision about our compliance or otherwise with the Freedom of Information legislation. Contact details for the ICO are: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF. www.ico.org.uk Telephone 0303 123 1113.

Yours faithfully,
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