From: Freedom of Information Requests Sent: 25 April 2025 09:37 To: Subject: FOI Response

Dear Sir/Madam,

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request dated 22 April 2025 for information about flytipping. Please find below City of Doncaster Council's responses to the questions you have raised.

Request

The number of recorded fly-tipping incidents per year from January 2022 to February 2025-broken down by month and year. Including if possible: Age of offender (e.g., under 18, 18-24, 25-34, 35-44, 45-54, 55-64, 65+) Gender of offender A brief description of what took place (if possible). Actions taken (Fines, clean-up costs and prosecutions etc) Object fly-tipped (white goods, building waste, mattresses etc) Location (Urban, Rural, Layby, National Park etc)

Response

Notice under Section 17(1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 - REFUSAL TO DISCLOSE INFORMATION

Decision:

After carefully considering your request for information the Council has decided that to respond to your request would exceed the appropriate limit as defined in the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Basis for decision:

Section 12(1) of the Freedom of Information Act allows for a request for information to be refused where the cost of supplying this information exceeds the appropriate limit. After carefully considering your request for information the Council has decided that to respond to your request would exceed the appropriate limit as defined in the <u>Freedom of Information</u> (Appropriate Limit and Fees) Regulations 2004. The regulations allow a request for information to be refused where the cost of supplying this information exceeds £450 (or 18 hours of officer time).

Why does the exemption apply in this case?

The cost limit applies in this case because the City of Doncaster Council does not hold a central record of this information, therefore in order to determine this information a total of 7225 cases will need to be reviewed. It is estimated that each case will require a 2 minute investigation resulting in a total time of approximately 240 hours which would exceed the time limit.

In order for us to reconsider your request we ask that you make your request more specific by narrowing down the scope of your request. For example, provide the number of flytipping incidents broken down by year only.

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 <u>FOIAppeals@doncaster.gov.uk</u>

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. <u>www.ico.org.uk</u> Telephone 0303 123 1113.

Yours faithfully, Ellen Dook

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