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**To:** [REDACTED]

**Subject:** Environmental Information Regulations - Response - [REDACTED]

**Importance:** Normal

**Sensitivity:** None

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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your Environmental Information Regulations request dated 21 May 2025 for information about residential planning applications and appeals. Please find below City of Doncaster Council's responses to the questions you have raised.

Please provide the total for 2022/23; 2023/24 and 2024/25 for all questions.

**Question 1:** The total number of residential planning appeals submitted per year.

**Response:**

This information is exempt from release under Regulation 6(1)(b) of the Environmental Information Regulations. Regulation 6(1) states: Where an applicant requests that the information be made available in a particular form or format, a public authority shall make it so available, unless—

(a) it is reasonable for it to make the information available in another form or format; or

(b) the information is already publicly available and easily accessible to the applicant in another form or format.

In this case, the total number of residential planning appeals submitted per year is publicly accessible on the public access planning pages and can be found here: <https://www.doncaster.gov.uk/services/planning/planning-applications-online-public-access> you will also find a user guide on the home page with details how to use the site.

**Question 2:** The number of appeals:

- \* Allowed
- \* Dismissed
- \* Withdrawn

**Response:**

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In this case, the information can be found on the public access planning pages

<https://www.doncaster.gov.uk/services/planning/planning-applications-online-public-access> by viewing the summary tab and the Appeals Inspectorate Decision document you will also find a user guide on the home page with details how to use the site.

**Question 3:** The average and median time (in calendar days) from submission of the appeal to final decision.

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(b) the information is already publicly available and easily accessible to the applicant in another form or format.

In this case, the average and median time (in calendar days) from submission of the appeal to final decision is

publicly accessible on the public access planning pages

<https://www.doncaster.gov.uk/services/planning/planning-applications-online-public-access> by viewing the Important Dates tab you will also find a user guide on the home page with details how to use the site.

**Question 4:** The total number of residential units approved via appeal each year.

**Response:**

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(b) the information is already publicly available and easily accessible to the applicant in another form or format.

In this case, the total number of residential units approved via appeal each year is publicly accessible on the public access planning pages <https://www.doncaster.gov.uk/services/planning/planning-applications-online-public-access> you will also find a user guide on the home page with details how to use the site.

**Question 4:** The total number of residential units refused (i.e., appeals dismissed) via appeal each year.

**Response:**

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(b) the information is already publicly available and easily accessible to the applicant in another form or format.

In this case, the total number of residential units refused (i.e., appeals dismissed) via appeal each year is publicly accessible on the public access planning pages <https://www.doncaster.gov.uk/services/planning/planning-applications-online-public-access> you will also find a user guide on the home page with details how to use the site.

**Question 5:** The total cost to the council of external services used for managing and responding to residential planning appeals per year (e.g., legal costs and external consultants where applicable).

**Response:** The City of Doncaster Council have only received one appeal which was in relating to Rose Hill to where external legal advice was sought and this totalled £6960 including VAT>

**Question 6:** The total amount in costs awarded against the council by the Planning Inspectorate for residential planning appeals.

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In this case details of the costs awarded against the council by the Planning Inspectorate for residential planning appeals is publicly accessible on the public access planning pages

<https://www.doncaster.gov.uk/services/planning/planning-applications-online-public-access> by viewing the Appeals Inspectorates Costs Decision document you will also find a user guide on the home page with details how to use the site.

I hope that this information is useful to you.

City of Doncaster Council estimates that it has cost £49.00 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](mailto: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](http://www.ico.org.uk) Telephone 0303 123 1113.

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