Dear Mr Kamran

**Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA)**

Thank you for your recent request for information. Your request has been considered under the above legislation. You have requested the following information:

**Query 1:**
Total number of applicants on waiting list in the following priority bands / sub-bands?

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<td>Band 1A, 1B</td>
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<td>Band 2A, 2B, 2C</td>
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<td>Band 3A, 3B</td>
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**Query 2:**
Number of applicants on waiting list in band 2A, 2B and 2C where their effective date (not registration date) fall under year 2015, 2014, 2013 and 2012?

**Response:**
Following careful consideration, the Council regrets to inform you that it has decided not to disclose this information.

Information you have requested has been withheld from disclosure. The exemption engaged is Section 12. Section 12 of the Act exempts Public Authorities from providing information where the estimated cost of compliance with the request exceeds the...
appropriate limit. Any estimate must be made in accordance with the limits set in fees regulations made under Section 12 (5) of the Act.

These Fees Regulations (SI 2004/3244 Freedom of Information and Data Protection (Appropriate Limit and Fees) Regulations) allow for a refusal where the cost of compliance, for local authorities such as the Council, would exceed £450. As a guide, staff time to identify and extract this information is charged at a rate of £25 per hour.

The information as requested is not held or recorded in our systems in a reportable format based on “effective date”. Since a substantial amount of work, including identifying, retrieving, reviewing and extracting the requested information from individual applications, will be involved in processing your request as it is currently phrased, a fee will be payable before we can provide you with the information. The fee in this case is **£2937.50 (£25 x 117.5 hours)** - please see the schedule below explaining how this was calculated. If the actual cost turns out to be less than the estimate, the balance will be returned to you.

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<td>COST OF COMPLYING WITH THE REQUEST</td>
<td>£2937.50 (£25 x 117.5 hours) charged at a rate of £25 per hour of officer time estimated to be spent identifying, retrieving, reviewing and extracting requested information</td>
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Payment can be made using the online payment facility on the [Council web site](#).

To do this, go to ‘Pay Online’ and select - **Freedom of Information request**. Please insert your request reference number *(Req00376)* in the 'Account' box. While the legislation allows the Council 20 working days to respond to your request from the date of its receipt, this time limit is suspended until we receive payment.

As soon as we receive your payment we will begin work on your request (please be aware that payments take at least three working days from receipt to clear). Alternatively, if you do not want to pay online, please make cheques payable to **Coventry City Council** and send to the address given below. If we do not receive your payment by 17th December 2015, we will consider your request closed and no further action will be taken by the Council.

You are free to use this information for your own purposes. If you wish to use the information for other purposes, you will need to contact us.

Should you be unhappy with the outcome or handling of your request, please write to the address below within 40 working days of the date of this letter:

Council House, Room 21a  
Lower Ground Floor  
Earl Street, Coventry.  
CV1 5RR  
infogov@coventry.gov
If having done this you are still dissatisfied, you have the right to contact the Information Commissioner at:

Information Commissioner’s Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF

Yours sincerely

Adrienne Bellingeri
Head of Customer Services