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Our ref: ENQ10725-REQ001

Dear Sir/Madam,

Freedom of Information Request – ENQ10725-REQ001

Thank you for your request for information dated 13 February 2019 in which you asked for the following information:

I would like to know whether the Authority has carried out any form of bin survey over the past five years.

Can the Authority provide the number of bin surveys it has conducted in each calendar year since 2014?

If applicable, can the Authority also provide the number of households subject to bin surveys in the same period?

For clarity, a bin survey is used to identify the types of rubbish being thrown away by households or which bins are being used, or both.

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 ('the Act') The Council is obliged to:

- Let you know whether we hold the information you have requested
- Provide you with the requested information, if held, (subject to any exemptions under the Act which may apply).

I can confirm that Wiltshire Council holds the information you have requested. The information you requested is as follows;

- 1) Can the Authority provide the number of bin surveys it has conducted in each calendar year since 2014?

Table 1:

Year	Number of surveys carried out
2018	0
2017	0

2016	0
2015	1 – Survey carried out for North Wiltshire
2014	1 – Survey carried out for South Wiltshire

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If you are dissatisfied with the above response you have a right to request a review of your request for information. Details of the complaints and review procedure are appended to this letter.

Yours sincerely

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Freedom of Information Complaints & Review Procedure

Any person who has requested information from Wiltshire Council, which has been dealt with under the Freedom of Information Act is entitled to complain and request an internal review of their request for information if they are dissatisfied with the response they have received.

Requests for review of Freedom of Information requests must be made in writing (includes email) to:

Freedom of Information Lead
County Hall
Bythesea Road
Trowbridge
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Email FOI@wiltshire.gov.uk

Please include the reference number, date of your request and details of why the review is being requested. Requests for review should be brought to the attention of the Freedom of Information Lead within 40 calendar days of the response to the original request.

Any request for review will be acknowledged in writing confirming the reasons for the review. The Freedom of Information Lead will allocate the review to someone who is independent of the original decision. The person conducting the review will set a target date for a response with the intention to complete the review within 20 working days. In more complex cases the review may take up to 40 working days.

The reviewer will conduct a full review of the handling of the request for information and of decisions taken, including decisions taken about where the public interest lies in respect of exempt information where applicable. The review enables a re-evaluation of the case, taking into account any matters raised by the requestor.

On completion of the review the reviewer will reply to the requestor with the result of the review. If the requestor is still dissatisfied following the review they should contact the Information Commissioner to appeal the decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted using the following details:

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

Tel: 0303 123 1113 (local rate)
01625 545 745 (national rate)

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