



Our Ref: **IR-2020-304**

15th September 2020

By Email to:
[<request-685197-3c86d00a@whatdotheyknow.com>]

Dear Mr Homer

Re: Freedom of Information Request

Thank you for your request for information received on 17 August 2020 and processed under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Council has considered your request for information and the response is enclosed.

If you are unhappy with the response you have received in relation to your request you may ask for an internal review. A request for internal review should be submitted within two months of the date of this letter.

If you are not satisfied with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner's Office via its complaints portal:

<https://ico.org.uk/make-a-complaint/official-information-concerns-report/officialinformation-concern/>

Contact by post should be made as follows:

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

The Commissioner's Office will then undertake an independent review.

Yours sincerely

Jonathan Hayes
Head of Estates & Asset Management



Your Request:

“How many regular car parking bays are there in all of the council-owned car parks across the council area?

How many disabled car parking bays are there in all of the council-owned car parks across the council area?

How many people held a blue badge disabled parking permit issued by the council as at 30 August 2019?

How many applications for blue badge disabled parking permits has the council received since 30 August 2019?

How many of these applications for blue badge disabled parking permits received since 30 August 2019 has the council:

- 1. Approved***
- 2. Directly refused***
- 3. Refused due to an incomplete request***

How many applications for blue badge disabled parking permits has the council received from applicants with hidden/non-visible disabilities

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Council Response:

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3464

How many disabled car parking bays are there in all of the council-owned car parks across the council area?

110

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Dealing with questions under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) can only extend to the public authority holding recorded information that will allow them to answer the question submitted.

Council has searched its records and has not located any that holds information that would enable it to answer this question. Therefore, our formal response under FOIA is that we do not hold the information described in this question.

However, Council would like to take this opportunity to provide the following commentary: Blue badge disabled parking permits do not fall under the remit of Local Councils in Northern Ireland, you may wish to contact the Department for Infrastructure: dfiimu@infrastructure-ni.gov.uk who may be able to assist you with this request.

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