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Dear Sir/ Madam

Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA)
Request ID: REQ06340

Thank you for your request for information relating to Business Grants.

Your request and our responses are outlined below:

1. I would like to request information about your business grants. What business grants do you offer to local start-ups/small businesses?

Business grants are split into 3 programmes: Business Support Programme, Innovation Programme and Green Business Programme. All business grants are for Small and Medium Enterprises (SME) in the Coventry and Warwickshire Area. All business grants are funded via European Regional Development Fund. (ERDF)

Business Support Programme: Capital grant support for SMEs looking to grow and expand.

Innovation programme: Revenue and Capital Grant support for SME to develop innovative and new to the market/firm products, services or technologies

Green Business Programme: Grant support to SME to implement carbon reduction measures and develop innovation low carbon products.

2. What is the allowance per business in 2019 and what will be the allowance in 2020?

Business Support Programme: Between 2019 – 2021 maximum award of 1 grant per SME. From 01/01/2019 grants up to £50,000 available. Grants are currently limited at £10,000 but may increase back up to £50,000 in the future. Grants are limited up to 30% of the expenditure spent by the SME to expand.

Innovation Programme: Between 2019 – 2021 maximum award of 1 grant per SME. From 01/01/2019 grants up to £100,000 available. Grants are currently available for up to £10,000 but

may increase to £50,000 in the future. Grants are limited up to 30% on Capital and 50% on Revenue of the expenditure spent by the SME to develop their new product, service or technology.

Green Business Programme: Between 2019 – 2021 maximum award of 1 grant per SME. From 01/01/2019 grants up to £50,000 available for carbon reduction and up to £20,000 for innovative low carbon products. Grants are limited up to 40% of the expenditure spent by the SME.

3. Also, if possible, do you have information about how much you have allocated (grants) to local businesses in the past 5 years in your area?

We have information on Coventry City Council administrated Grants in Coventry & Warwickshire Area for 2016 onwards.

| Programme | Amount |
|--|----------------------|
| Business Support Programme 2019 - 2021 | £902,547.03 |
| Innovation Programme 2019 - 2021 | £250,124.66 |
| Green Business Programme - 2019 - 2021 | £383,626.03 |
| Business Support Programme 2016 – 2018 | £1,995,300.00 |
| Innovation Programme 2016 – 2018 | £969,058.60 |
| Green Business Programme - 2016 - 2018 | £1,420,783.00 |
| Total | £5,921,439.32 |

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Yours faithfully

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