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Please ask for Kerry Marron

Our ref: 6048120

Your ref:

Date: 01 December 2020

Dear Mr Collins

Environmental Information Regulations 2004

I am pleased to provide some of the information you have requested concerning:-

Please could you provide all correspondence both internally and externally and specifically any communications to the Secretary of state regarding the Public Byway M450 from 2005 to the present day.

28/10/2020 - Clarification - any thing that's been discussed in relation to the byway including but not limited to the traffic regulation order. Wether that be complaints etc etc

Please see the attached documents that are held electronically-

6048120 - Response 1

6048120 - Response 2

I can confirm that the remainder of the information you have requested is held by Warwickshire County Council as paper records. However, I'm unable to give this to you.

The information is exempt from disclosure under the exception in Regulation 12(4)(b) of the Environmental Information Regulations (EIRs). The request has been assessed as being "manifestly unreasonable". To help us reach this decision we have completed an assessment of the time it would take to comply with your request.

We are withholding the paper based information, as this is held in remote storage. It would need to be retrieved and then manually reviewed for any relevant information, then it would need to be manually collated and copied/scanned. This could be expected

to require up to at least 27 hours of officer time. We consider this to be an unreasonable use of officer time and a diversion from the delivery of services.

To use this exception we are required to undertake a public interest test. The matters which were considered in applying the public interest test are as follows:

Factors in favour of disclosure

- i) To promote transparency and accountability of public authorities
- ii) Greater public awareness and understanding of environmental matters

Factors in favour of withholding

- i) Protecting the council from exposure to disproportionate burden and expense.
- ii) To avoid placing a strain on resources and diverting the council away from delivering mainstream services or answering other requests.

In all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

This response therefore acts as a refusal notice under regulation 14 of the Environmental Information Regulations in respect of paper based records.

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within 40 days of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to:

Information Management
Shire Hall
Warwick
CV34 4RL
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If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

The Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow,
Cheshire, SK9 5AF.
Phone: 0303 123 1113
Website: www.ico.org.uk

I will now close your request as of this date.

Yours sincerely

Kerry Marron
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Customers and Information Services