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L Andrews

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Our Ref: JDJ/FOI/223/21

Your Ref:

Date: 2 June 2021 Ask For: Joan Jones

Ext: 1601

Email: joan.jones@ambervalley.gov.uk

## Dear L Andrews

## Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Request for Information

Thank you for your email received 28 May 2021 requesting the following information:-

"Please advise the total number of burials and cremations, annually, broken down by burials and cremations from January 2015 to December 2020 (or the last full month of data), in the Amber Valley Council area."

The Council is treating your request as having been made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (the "Act").

When dealing with requests for information, the Council's obligations include:

- (1) confirming or denying whether it holds information of the description specified in the request; and
- (2) communicating the information requested to the applicant. You should note that this is effectively a decision that the information can be released into the public domain and not simply to the specific applicant.

Under the Act, the Council is required to release any information that it holds to you unless an exemption applies.

## Response to your request

I confirm that some of the information you have requested is held and I can give you the following: -

Please see the attached document which contains details of burials from 1 January 2015 to 31 March 2021.

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Amber Valley Borough Council can only provide the details for the number of burials in Amber Valley cemeteries; we do not undertake or record cremations or hold records of burials in non-Council facilities.

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you may ask the Council for an internal review of the decision within 20 working days. Someone other than the person who took the initial decision will conduct the internal review. Requests for an internal review should be addressed to the Civic Links and FOI Officer at the above address. If, following the internal review, you are still not happy with the outcome; you have the right of appeal to the Information Commissioner at:

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

Tel: 0303 123 1113 Fax: 01625 524 510

Web site: <a href="https://ico.org.uk/make-a-complaint/">https://ico.org.uk/make-a-complaint/</a> where you can start a live chat.

If you have any further queries, please contact me either in writing at the above address or by telephone on 01773 841601 and quote your ID No 223/21.

To help us to improve the quality of our responses to future Freedom of Information requests, any feedback you may have on this response would be appreciated. A copy of the Council's Customer Comments leaflet is attached to assist you.

Yours sincerely

Joan D Jones (Mrs)
Civic Links & FOI Officer