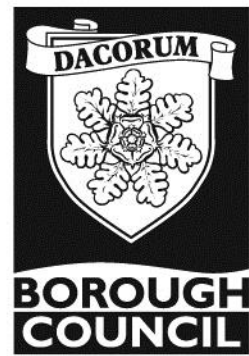


Date: 10th November 2017
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Dear A R Shaw

**YOUR REQUEST DATED 17TH OCTOBER 2017 FOR INFORMATION UNDER
THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000.**

Thank you for your above request.

In your correspondence you have requested the information set out below and in what follows I set out the Council's response:

(1) REQUEST

1. The total amount of reams of paper used by the authority in the last 12 months
2. The amount of expenditure on printing, photocopying, and consumables for internal purposes. We are not interested in the amount of expenditure for printing of publications for external use.
3. The amount of recycling of paper from your offices.
4. Does the local authority have a target to reduce the use of paper - if so what is the current progress?
5. Does the local authority have a target to reduce their carbon footprint - if so what is the current progress?



100% recycled paper

(2) RESPONSE

1. Dacorum Borough Council has ordered 516 reams of paper over the last 12 months.
2. £11,756.78
3. All paper waste is classed as confidential. The total weight of confidential waste collected over the last 10 months is 9,843kg.
4. As part of our commitment to smarter working (as outlined in our Digital Dacorum and Transform Dacorum strategies) we have set a target to reduce printing by 20%. Between September 2015 and 2017 we achieved a 33% reduction in printing.
5. As part of our commitment to reducing our carbon footprint we have set a target to reduce our gas, electricity, water and mileage usage by 10% each year from 2015 – 2018. Between 2014 and 2016 we achieved a 53.4% reduction.

Further information explaining the Council's process for responding to information requests is available on our website at <http://www.dacorum.gov.uk/home/open-data/freedom-of-information/requesting-information-faqs>

Should you have any further queries or information needs, or if you are unhappy about the way your request has been handled, then please do not hesitate to contact me, or the Council's Legal Governance department at: foi@dacorum.gov.uk, quoting reference FOI Request DBC\FOI\5576.

I would confirm that, pursuant to Section 50 of the FOIA, you may apply to the Information Commissioner for a decision whether, in any specified respect, your request for information has been dealt with in accordance with the requirements of Part 1 of the FOIA. The Commissioner would of course make a decision on any application unless certain circumstances apply, one of which is that the relevant public authority's complaints procedure has not been exhausted. I would confirm the Information Commissioner's contact details are as follows:-

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

Helpline: 0303 123 1113

Website, with online form: www.ico.gov.uk and email for online complaint: casework@ico.gsi.gov.uk

If you need further assistance, do please contact me or the information service, as indicated above.

Yours sincerely.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Rob' followed by a stylized, cursive flourish.

Robert Smyth
Assistant Director – Performance, People & Innovation
Performance, People and Innovation Department