

Dawn Cross

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Our ref: 11076288 **Your ref**: **Date**: 10 February 2025

Dear Dawn Cross,

I can confirm that the information requested is held by Warwickshire County Council. I have detailed below the information that is being released to you. I apologise for the delay in supplying this information to yourself. Please see below.

You asked us:

Will you kindly explain why there are masses of uncollected roadwork items that have been left after roadworks have been collected?

The responsibility for clearing roadwork items which are related to the works that have been carried out rest with the works promoters. Warwickshire County Council do check some sites for compliance on a sample inspection basis generated by street works systems however this a small percentage of the overall number of works that take place on the public highway. Warwickshire County Council do not have the resource to check all works that are carried out by statutory undertakers and others.

Are these signs reused or are taxpayers footing the bill for new items each time?

These signs generally belong to statutory undertakers, contractors, builders, developers or traffic management companies therefore they do not belong to WCC. When they are recovered, they will be returned to their owners, so the taxpayers do contribute to the cost of collecting these items.

Where WCC have identified signs being left out on the highway, that should have been cleared after works have ended, then we will order the undertaker of the works to clear these sites asap. If this is not carried out to the satisfaction of Warwickshire County Council, then a fine can be levied against the works promotor to do so.

There are literally hundreds of items scattered around Nuneaton and Bedworth (metal frames, sandbags, signage, and bollards etc.)

If we are made aware of these and the locations, then we will do our utmost to arrange clearance.

Also I see obsolete notices attached to lamp posts, these need to also be removed in order to stop the borough declining further. Is there a department which oversees the removal and if so do they check after a job has been completed?

All obsolete notices relating to traffic regulations such as road closures should be removed by whomever attached them. If you see redundant notices on street light columns then please make WCC aware of their location and we will remove them as required.

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:

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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: https://ico.org.uk/make-a-complaint/

I will now close your request as of this date.

Yours faithfully

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