

Request:

1. How many Penalty Charge Notices did the council issue between:
 - 1 January 2020 and 31 December 2020
 - 1 January 2021 and 31 December 2021
 - 1 January 2022 and 31 December 2022

2. What was the total combined value of all Penalty Charge Notices issued by the council between:
 - 1 January 2020 and 31 December 2020
 - 1 January 2021 and 31 December 2021
 - 1 January 2022 and 31 December 2022

3. What was the average value of Penalty Charge Notices issued by the council between the following time periods:
 - 1 January 2020 and 31 December 2020
 - 1 January 2021 and 31 December 2021
 - 1 January 2022 and 31 December 2022

4. Of the Penalty Charge Notices issued between the following time periods that were appealed, how many of these appeals were accepted by the council?
 - 1 January 2020 and 31 December 2020
 - 1 January 2021 and 31 December 2021
 - 1 January 2022 and 31 December 2022

5. Of the Penalty Charge Notices issued between the following time periods, how many were appealed, and these appeals denied by the council?
 - 1 January 2020 and 31 December 2020
 - 1 January 2021 and 31 December 2021
 - 1 January 2022 and 31 December 2022

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6. How much income did the council make between the following time periods from Penalty Charge Notices for the following years:
- 1 January 2020 and 31 December 2020
 - 1 January 2021 and 31 December 2021
 - 1 January 2022 and 31 December 2022

Response:

1. Please see the attached table. For the purpose of clarification and in accordance with legislation, parking contraventions are split between higher and lower penalty values depending on the severity of the impact of the offence. Bus Lane contraventions have been listed separately in the table.
2. Please see attached table. For the purpose of clarification, the income values provided are based on the full value of the contravention as specified in the legislation. In accordance with the legislation, a penalty charge is offered at a discounted rate of 50% of the full value if paid within 14 days of issue. The penalty charge value also increases above the full value at various statutory stages of the process if the penalty charge remains unpaid.
3. A request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 entitles an applicant to recorded information only. Averages are not recorded by the Authority. However, this can be calculated from the data provided in the attached table.
4. The Notice Processing software does not include a report that provides this data. This information could only be obtained by reviewing the case folder of each individual penalty charge notice issued in these periods.

Therefore, this part of the request is refused under section 12 (1) Freedom of Information Act 2000, since the cost of complying would exceed the

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6. In the calendar year 2020, the Authority received £551,494 in income from penalty charge notices. Please note this may include income from payments made in this period relating to penalty charge notices issued in previous years.

In the calendar year 2021, the Authority received £566,998 in income from penalty charge notices. Please note this may include income from payments made in this period relating to penalty charge notices issued in previous years.

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In the calendar year 2022, the Authority received £260,150 in income from penalty charge notices. Please note this may include income from payments made in this period relating to penalty charge notices issued in previous years.

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