

## **Response to Request for Information**

**Reference** FOI 000960 **Date** FOI 000960

## Off-Street Car Parking Provision

## Request:

According to <u>information published online</u> by the Department for Communities & Local Government (DCLG) in its local authority revenue expenditure and financing section, Wolverhampton City Council generated a total income of £2,180,000 from off-street parking in 2015-16.

Please provide the following information:

- How many car parking spaces are currently provided by the local authority to generate this annual income?
   3,780
- Does the local authority have any plans to increase its number of off-street car parking spaces, and if so, by how many? No there are no plans to increase the number.
- 3. If the local authority holds any information regarding the number of off-street car parking spaces provided in the local authority area by other providers (such as private car parking operators) please advise how many spaces are provided, and by which operator.
  In respect of your question 3, it has been established after careful consideration that the Council does not hold the above information.
  Consequently, we are unable to provide any information relating to the above, and are informing you as required by Section 1(1) (a) of the Act, that states:

"Any person making a request for information to a public authority is entitled to be informed in writing by the public authority whether it holds information of the description specified in the request".

4. Are the local authority's off-street car parking operations run entirely in-house, Yes

or are these subject to alternative arrangements, such as a management contract or a partnership agreement with the private sector or another local authority, and if so:

a. What are the current arrangements – i.e. a management contract, a

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partnership / joint venture or other (please specify);

- b. who provides the service to / partners with the local authority; and
- c. When is this contract / partnership scheduled to end?
- 5. Has the local authority given any consideration (and / or made any decision) in the past two years to explore alternative managerial and operational arrangements for its off-street car parking provision (such as private sector involvement) and if so, what?
  No
- 6. Does the local authority have an up-to-date Parking Strategy? If so, please provide a weblink.

This document is currently under review with the Council's regeneration plans and aspirations.

At the moment we do not know where this information will be placed and therefore unable to supply you with a weblink. However, if you agree I can pass your details to the officer dealing with this who will ensure a copy is sent to you.

7. Please provide a weblink to your latest Annual Parking Report. In response to question 7, section 22 of the FOI Act is engaged as this document can be found using the following link:

Wolverhampton.gov.uk/parking.

However, the above web page is currently under review, therefore, if you would prefer me to send you a paper copy please contact me.

- 8. As the local authority will have just set its budget for the forthcoming financial year (and its Medium Term Financial Strategy), has it agreed for 2017-18, 2018-19 and 2019-20:
  - a. any savings to be delivered in the running costs of off-street car parking; and
  - b. any projected increase in income.

Please provide any figures of savings and income agreed for these years.

Savings Assumed in MTFS
Review of district parking

2017/2018
200,000

 Likewise, has the local authority allocated any capital funding for expenditure on car parks during the next three years, or identified the need to allocate capital in due course? Please provide figures and details of proposed expenditure.

**Capital Allocation** 2017/2018 Review of district parking 130,000