

CITY OF
WOLVERHAMPTON
COUNCIL

Response to Request for Information

Reference FOI 001527
Date 22 September 2017

Uber/Private Hire

Request:

Please could you let me know the number of Private Hire applications Wolverhampton Council has received each year for the past 5 years
In respect of your above question, 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".

How many have been granted each year for the past 5 years

Applications granted for private hire vehicles

2012/13 - 631
2013/14 – 639
2014/15 – 780
2015/16 – 929
2016/17 – 2949

Applications granted for private hire driver badges

2012/13 - 929
2013/14 – 927 + 47 dual badges
2014/15 – 948 + 85 dual badges
2015/16 – 1233 + 127 dual badges
2016/17 – 4989 + 160 dual badges

and the amount of income this has generated for Wolverhampton City Council each year for the past 5 years.

Income from private hire vehicle plate

2012/13 (205,576)
2013/14 (224,574)
2014/15 (262,523)
2015/16 (289,932)
2016/17 (798,958)

Income from private hire driver badge

2012/13 (57,325)

2013/14 (66,639)

2014/15 (74,002)

2015/16 (126,138)

2016/17 (496,955)

Please could you also let me know how many of these applications have been from Uber Drivers and how many Uber Driver Wolverhampton City Council is aware of operating across the West Midlands and if they can distinguish between those Uber drivers who operate in Wolverhampton from those who operate in other areas outside Wolverhampton. If you can distinguish between these drivers, please could you provide the numbers who operate in Wolverhampton and provide the numbers who operate outside Wolverhampton.

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