

CITY OF  
WOLVERHAMPTON  
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## Response to Request for Information

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### ***Bus Lane Cameras***

**Request:**

“Why have wolverhampton council introduced bus lane camera's are they that strapped for money that they have to find new way's to bleed the public?”

Bus lanes have been operational in Wolverhampton for a number of years with, for the most part, enforcement being the responsibility of West Midlands Police. Enforcement of traffic regulations orders such as parking restrictions and bus lanes was not a priority for the Police and as a consequence Central Government gave Local Highway Authorities such as Wolverhampton the powers of enforcement.

The Council sought to introduce bus lane enforcement for the sole reason to deter drivers of vehicles not authorised to use them from doing so. Publicity campaigns, advance signage and two weeks warning notice periods have been used to provide drivers with the necessary information that enforcement was to take place. If drivers followed the rules then there would be no need to have these enforcement measures in place and there would be no fines issued.