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<p>Manchester Evening News article highlighted that Google statistics suggest Lowton in Wigan is one of the UK towns where people are most concerned about bed bug infestations. In light of this, I am requesting the following information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What preparations does Wigan Council have in place for bed bug infestations in public places? 2. How many bed bug cases has the Council's pest control service treated between January 2018 and 23 October 2023, broken down by year and month? 3. How much has the Council spent in total on pest control in relation to bed bugs? I would like these figures broken down into the same periods outlined above. 4. How much have bed bug pest control service users been charged in total? Again, I would like this broken down by the same periods as above please. 5. Which Wigan wards have had the most recorded cases of bed bugs? 	
<p>Response:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Wigan Council will react to any reports to investigate and provide a treatment if necessary. 2. The figures of each treatment carried out are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> January 2018 to December 2018. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jan 1/ Feb 3 / March 5/ April 6/ May 5/June 4/ July 8/ Aug 2/ Sept 4/ Oct 7/ Nov 6/ Dec 3/ Total 54. January 2019 to December 2019 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jan 3 / Feb 2/March 1/ April 8/ May 6/June 6/ July 5/ Aug 8/ Sept 4/ Oct 8/ Nov 3/ Dec 1/ Total 55. January 2020 to December 2020 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jan 0/ Feb 1/ March 1/ April 2/ May 0/ June 0/ July 0/ Aug 3/ Sept 12/ Oct 4/ Nov 1/ Dec 1/ Total 25. January 2021 to December 2021 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jan 4/ Feb 0/ March 3/ April 4/ May 6/ June 10/ July 6/ Aug 6/ Sept 8/ Oct 9/ Nov 4/ Dec 7/ Total 67. January 2022 to December 2022 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jan 4/ Feb 0/ March 1/ April 4/ May 2/ June 2/ July 2/ Aug 1/ Sept 6/ Oct 3/ Nov 0/ Dec 3/ Total 28. January 2023 to October 2023 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jan 3/ Feb 2/ March 5/ April 7/ May 8/ June 4/ July 1/ Aug 1/ Sept 11/ Oct 18/ Total 60. <p>Total number of bed bug cases 289.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> January 2018 to December 2018 The figures include Labour and materials 2 officers £70.00 per visit. January 2018 to December 2018. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jan 1 £70 / Feb 3 £210 / March 5 £350/ April 6 £420/ May 5 £350/June 4 280/ July 8 £560/ Aug 2 £140/ Sept 4 £ 280/ Oct 7 £490/ Nov 6 £420/ Dec 3 £210 Total 54 treatments @£70.00 total cost £3,780.00. January 2019 to December 2019 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jan 3 £210 / Feb 2 £140/March 1 £70/ April 8 £560/ May 6 £420 /June 6 £420/ July 5 £350/ Aug 8 £560/ Sept 4 £280/ Oct 8 £560/ Nov 3 £210/ Dec 1 £70 Total 55 treatments @ £70.00 total cost £3,850.00. 	

January 2020 to December 2020

- Jan 0/ Feb 1 £70/ March 1 £70/ April 2 £140/ May 0/ June 0/ July 0/ Aug 3 £210/ Sept 12 £840/ Oct 4 £280/ Nov 1 £70/ Dec 1 £70

Total 25 treatments @ £70.00 total cost £1,750.00.

January 2021 to December 2021

- Jan 4 £320/ Feb 0/ March 3 £240/ April 4 £320/ May 6 £480/ June 10 £800/ July 6 £480/ Aug 6 £480/ Sept 8 £640/ Oct 9 £720/ Nov 4 £320/ Dec 7 £560

Total 67 treatments @ £80.00 total cost £5,360.00.

January 2022 to December 2022

- Jan 4 £320/ Feb 0/ March 1 £80/ April 4 £320/ May 2 £160/ June 2 £160/ July 2 £160/ Aug 1 £80/ Sept 6 £480/ Oct 3 £240/ Nov 0/ Dec 3 £240

Total 28 treatments @ £80.00 total cost £2,240.00.

January 2023 to October 2023

- Jan 3 £240/ Feb 2 £160/ March 5 £400/ April 7 £560/ May 8 £640/ June 4 £320/ July 1 £80/ Aug 1 £80/ Sept 11 £880/ Oct 18 £1440

Total 60 treatments @ £80.00 total cost £4,800.

Total number of bed bug cases 289 total cost £21,780.00.

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Treatment cost £100.00

- Jan 1 £100/ Feb 3 £300 / March 5 £500/ April 6 £600/ May 5 £500/ June 4 £400/ July 8 £800/ Aug 2 £200/ Sept 4 £400/ Oct 7 £700/ Nov 6 £600/ Dec 3 £300

Total 54 treatments @ £100.00 total cost £5,400.00.

January 2019 to December 2019**Treatment cost £103.00**

- Jan 3 £309 / Feb 2 £206/ March 103/ April 8 £824/ May 6 £618/ June 6 £618/ July 5 £515/ Aug 8 £824/ Sept 4 £412/ Oct 8 £824/ Nov 3 £309/ Dec 1 £103

Total 55 treatments @ £103.00 total cost £5,665.00.

January 2020 to December 2020**Treatment cost £105.00**

- Jan 0/ Feb 1 £105/ March 1 £105/ April 2 £210/ May 0/ June 0/ July 0/ Aug 3 £309/ Sept 12 £1,260/ Oct 4 £420/ Nov 1 £105/ Dec 1 £105

Total 25 treatments @ £105.00 total cost £2,625.00

January 2021 to December 2021**Treatment cost £ 107.10p**

- Jan 4 £428.40/ Feb 0/ March 3 £321.30/ April 4 £428.40/ May 6 £642.60/ June 10 £1'071/ July 6 £642.60/ Aug 6 £642.60/ Sept 8 £856.80/ Oct 9 963.90/ Nov 4 £428.40/ Dec 7 £749.70

Total 67 treatments @ £107.10 total cost £7,175.70.

January 2022 to December 2022**Treatment cost £109.24p**

- Jan 4 £436.96/ Feb 0/ March 1 £109.24/ April 4 £436.96/ May 2 £218.48/ June 2 £218.48/ July 2 £218.48/ Aug 1 £109.24/ Sept 6 £655.44/ Oct 3 £327.72/ Nov 0/ Dec 3 £327.72

Total 28 treatments @ £109.24 total cost £3,058.72.

January 2023 to October 2023

Treatment cost £109.24

- Jan 3 £327.72/ Feb 2 £218.48/ March 5 £ 546.20/ April 7 £764.68/ May 8 £873.92/ June 4 £436.96/
July 1 £109.24/ Aug 1 £109.24/ Sept 11 £1,201.64/ Oct 18 £1,966.32

Total 60 treatments @£109.24 total cost £6,554.40.

Total number of bed bug cases 289 total cost £30,478.82

5. Lowton area had the most recorded cases of bed bugs.