

## REQUEST 18633

Please provide the following information regarding the council's bulk fuel purchases:

- 1. The types of bulk fuel purchased by the council (e.g. diesel, petrol, heating oil, etc.).
- 2. The frequency and volume of these bulk fuel purchases over the past 12 months.
- 3. The price per litre paid for the most recent purchase of each fuel type.

4. The name, job title, and contact details of the procurement lead or officer responsible for bulk fuel purchasing.

## **RESPONSE**

Diesel

Average delivery every 7 working days. Average volume 24,599 litres.

The Council holds the price per litre however is withholding it from disclosure in accordance with Section 43(2) of the FOI Act which exempts information whose disclosure would, or would be likely to, prejudice the commercial interests of any legal person (an individual, a company, the public authority itself or any other legal entity). We believe that disclosing this information could undermine future negotiations and harm competitive tendering processes. While we appreciate the need for openness and transparency in the spending of public funds, we believe that this is outweighed by the fact that release of the information would prejudice any future negotiations for such a contract, to the detriment of the Council.

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