

FOI 604/2017

REQUEST

I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act to request the following information from your council:

- 1) How much money is spent by the council, or by contracted caterers, on disposable plastic-lined coffee cups, and how much did these purchases cost? I would like this information broken down by year for the past three financial years (2014/15, 2015/16, 2016/17).
- 2) How much money is spent by the council, or by contracted caterers, on disposable plastic cutlery, and how much did these purchases cost? I would like this information broken down by year for the past three financial years (2014/15, 2015/16, 2016/17).
- 3) Does the council intend to continue purchasing disposable coffee cups and plastic cutlery?
- 4) Does the council have recycling facilities in its district that have the capability to recycle the specific coffee cups and plastic cutlery purchased?

RESPONSE

Clacton Leisure Centre

Use plastic cups for soft drinks and plastic tea spoons for our Tea Dance and Active 4 Life sessions at Clacton Leisure Centre. We don't have a breakdown of costs for the last 3 years. However I've attached a spreadsheet showing the current average usage and costs. Our attendance figures have remained stable so the spreadsheet should be a good guide. (see spreadsheet attached)

Dovercourt Bay Lifestyles

1. 2014/15 = £140
 2015/16= £148
 2016/17 = £153
2. N/a
3. Yes
4. No

Princes Theatre

Costs for plastic coffee cups:

2014/15 £227.94

2015/16 £463.80

2016/17 £170.40

Use real spoons.

4. No