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To: [REDACTED]
Subject: EIR-17-1294 - Roadworks
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Attachments: [Further Information - Right to Review & Appeal.pdf](#)

Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your information request of 6 September 2017. Aberdeen City Council (ACC) has completed the necessary search for the information requested.

The number of roadworks carried out in the last five financial years, including this one broken by each financial year

2013/14: 25,864
2014/15: 25,700
2015/16: 16,058
2016/17: 14,255
2017/18: 24,833

How many were carried out by the council

2013/14: 72*
2014/15: 86*
2015/16: 70*
2016/17: 161*
2017/18: 182*

*Please note that not all road works have been recorded on Symology – works involving pot-hole repairs, gully emptying, emergency response works, street light repairs/installations and road markings (new and/or refreshment) have not been recorded. These form a significant part of the annual works programme and have only started to be entered onto the Symology system in 2016. The Symology system is the road works register used by all Scottish Local Authorities and Utility Companies to record their planned works in order that these can be managed in such a way as to minimise disruption to the surrounding roads network.

How many were carried out by utility companies

2013/14: 25,792
2014/15: 25,614
2015/16: 15,988
2016/17: 14,094
2017/18: 24,651

How many were completed on time

The only figure that can be applied to this would be the total number of works, minus the number requiring either an extension, or being noticed as 'over-running'. This, however, would not be accurate and therefore an exact figure cannot be provided.

ACC is unable to provide you with information on **the number of roadworks which were completed on time** as it is not held by the Council. In order to comply with its obligations under

the terms of Regulation 10(4)(a) - Information Not Held - of the EIRs, ACC hereby gives notice that this information is not held by it. ACC is required by Regulation 10(1)(b) of the EIRs to inform you as to why in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining this exception outweighs the public interest in disclosing this information to you. ACC is satisfied that it does not hold this information and considers that, as there is no information held, the public interest lies with the exception.

How many over ran

It should be noted that whilst the figures below are as recorded on Symology, the works may not have necessarily over-ran, but may not have been closed off on the Symology system in a timely manner.

Aberdeen City Council

2013/14: 26
2014/15: 40
2015/16: 56
2016/17: 63
2017/18: 9 to date

Utility companies

2013/14: 1882
2014/15: 1800
2015/16: 321
2016/17: 364
2017/18: not applicable

We hope this helps with your request.

Yours sincerely,

Information Compliance Team

INFORMATION ABOUT THE HANDLING OF YOUR REQUEST

As the information which you requested is environmental information, as defined under Regulation 2(1) of the Environmental Information (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (the EIRs), ACC considered that it was exempt from release through FOISA, and must therefore give you notice that we are refusing your request under Section 39(2) of FOISA (Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002). However, you have a separate right to access the information which you have requested under Regulation 5 of the EIRs, under which ACC has handled your request. Please refer to the attached PDF for more information about your rights under the EIRs.

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