

**From:** Foi Enquiries  
**Sent:** 15 March 2019 12:39  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** EIR-19-0303 - Abandoned Vehicles  
**Attachments:** V2 - Further Information - Right to Review & Appeal.pdf

Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your clarified information request of 26 February 2019. Aberdeen City Council (ACC) has completed the necessary search for the information requested. Our response is now detailed below.

**We requested similar data to the below from your council last year (attached), if you could please supply us with data broken down by the following years it will save you some time:**

**2017/2018**

**2018/2019**

- 1. The number of vehicles reported as abandoned within your local authority area broken down by year for 2017/18 and 2018/19.**

2017/2018: 241

2018/2019: 585 (to 13 March 2019). The new online system of reporting abandoned vehicles went live on 08/03/18 and enables the public to report any case of an abandoned vehicle.

- 2. The number of abandoned vehicles removed in your local authority area broken down by year for 2017/18 and 2018/19.**

2017/2018: 111

2018/2019: This figure is not available until the middle of May 2019.

Please note that abandoned vehicles are removed by a third party company.

ACC is unable to provide you with information on **the number of abandoned vehicles removed in the local authority area broken down by year for 2018/2019** 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.

- 3. The number of abandoned vehicles destroyed by your local authority broken down by year for 2017/18 and 2018/19.**

2017/2018: 111

2018/2019: This figure is not available until the middle of May 2019.

Please note that abandoned vehicles are removed and disposed of by a third party company.

ACC is unable to provide you with information on **the number of abandoned vehicles destroyed broken down by year for 2018/2019** 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.

**4. The amount of money spent by your local authority on removing and destroying abandoned vehicles broken down by year for 2017/18 and 2018/19.**

The charges for the removal and destruction of abandoned vehicles:

2017/18 = £0

2018/19 = £0

**5. The amount of money in fines distributed by your local authority to people for abandoning their vehicles broken down by year for 2017/18 and 2018/19.**

Fines distributed for abandoned vehicles are:

2017/18 = £0

2018/19 = £0

### **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.

We hope this helps with your request.

Yours sincerely,

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