

From: [FOI](#)
To:
Subject: Freedom of Information Request NCC-048220-20
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Dear Requester

Thank you for your request for information about repairs to historical buildings. You asked:

Could you kindly provide me with a record of historic building repairs conducted between 2016 to 2020 and the expenditure of such.

We are seeking information regarding the historic buildings in Nottingham Council as listed below:

- **Listed buildings.**
- **Buildings situated in conservation areas.**
- **Buildings which are of architectural and historical interest and which are referred to as a material consideration in a local authority's development plan.**
- **Buildings of architectural and historical interest within national parks, areas of outstanding natural beauty, and world heritage sites.**
- **Vernacular buildings of traditional form and construction.**
- **The number of repairs carried out, and the expenditure of these repairs, for historic buildings located in Nottingham Council.**

I would like to please ask, if the information dating back to 2016 is not available, could I nonetheless please obtain the information which you have for all other available years between 2016 and 2020. Any information provided would be greatly appreciated

Unfortunately this information isn't held in a reportable format and would then require a manual interrogation of individual records, which we anticipate would exceed the cost limit for providing this information under the Freedom of Information Act, as it would very likely take one officer in excess of 18 hours to locate this information. We are therefore applying an exemption under Section 12 of the Act.

Our reasoning for applying this exemption is that the information is held on two very different systems (the Historic Environment Record and P2).

To answer the request would involve cross referencing every building on P2 to check whether it is within one of the 150+ conservation areas. Even using GIS systems that would take several hours of a GIS officers time. Checking for buildings in the third category (in the FOI request) would also involve liaising with all the Local Planning Authorities and checking against their records. The County Council are not a planning authority. To identify buildings of vernacular materials (the 4th category) would also involve interrogating every P2 record to check for any buildings that qualify, this is not a reportable record.

Even if all of the building types requested were identified, a manual check of records would still then be required to establish if any of these buildings had repair works undertaken before costs of works could then be established.

I hope that you find this information to be helpful, however if you are unhappy with the way in which your request has been handled, then please email us at foi@nottscc.gov.uk quoting the reference NCC-048220-20 and we will be happy to review your request

With kind regards

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