



Reference: FOI3309

**Request:**

Please could you provide the following data points on council spending on green spaces:

- Amount spent on decoration of green spaces, broken down by the following costs; trees, flowers, bedding, bulbs, shrubs, plants, plant pots and hanging baskets
- Amount spent on green space maintenance, i.e. salary costs for groundskeepers, machinery and equipment maintenance etc.

Please could you provide the data broken down separately over the following years:

- 2019
- 2020
- 2021 (forecasted budget for 2021 but total spend in 2020, 2019) Response: The total spent or budget on the upkeep and maintenance of green open spaces/areas which are maintained by the Council is as follows: Financial Year Actual Spend

**2018/19: £3.773m**

**2019/20: £3.989m**

**Financial Year Budget**

**2020/21: £3.694m**

**The figures shown includes the cost of trees, flowers, bedding, bulbs, shrubs, plants, plant pots and hanging baskets as well as the amount spent on green space maintenance, i.e. salary costs for groundskeepers, machinery, and equipment maintenance etc.**

**The individual cost elements cannot be broken down and provided as the information is not available.**