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Request:

I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. Please could you provide the following information in an Excel spreadsheet:

- 1. The total number of Parking Charge Notices (PCNs) issued by your Local Authority in 2020, 2021, and January to June 2022
- 2. The total revenue raised by your Local Authority from PCNs in 2020, 2021, and January to June 2022
- 3. The proportion of PCNs paid within 14 days to receive a reduced fine in 2020, 2021, and January to June 2022

If it is not possible to provide the information requested, please provide advice and assistance as to how I can refine my request. If you can identify any ways that my request could be refined, I would be grateful for any further advice and assistance.

Response:

1. During the period 01 Jan – 31 Dec 2020, the Council issued 19,131 penalty charge notices for parking contraventions and 2,662 penalty charge notices for Bus Lane contraventions.

During the period 01 Jan – 31 Dec 2021, the Council issued 24,599 penalty charge notices for parking contraventions and 3,836 penalty charge notices for Bus Lane contraventions.

During the period 01 Jan – 30 June 2022, the Council issued 13,396 penalty charge notices for parking contraventions and 1,728 penalty charge notices for Bus Lane contraventions.

2. This information is refused in answer to this request under section 21, information accessible to the applicant by other means.

The reason for this is that details of the income generated from penalty charge notices are published in the Parking Control - Annual Operational Reports on the Council website at <u>https://my.northtyneside.gov.uk/category/1421/parking-strategy-policies-and-operational-reports</u>

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The Authority cannot break down the income received from parking contraventions from the income received from bus lane contraventions. All the income is received in the same fund stream and includes payments made in this year for penalty charge notices that may have been issued for parking and bus lane contraventions in previous years.

3. In 2020, 11,138 (75.97%) PCNs (excluding Bus Lane contraventions) were paid at the discount rate.

In 2021, 15,114 (73.95%) PCNs (excluding Bus Lanes contraventions) were paid at the discount rate

In the period 1st Jan 2022 to 30th Jun 2022, 8,374 PCNs (76.82%) (excluding Bus Lane contraventions) were paid at the discount rate.

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