Reference: FOI-486



Request:

I would like to know how many parking fines have been issued to drivers who have illegally parked in a disabled bay over the past five years (between December 2017-December 2022).

If possible, I would also like to find out how many of the parking fines issued have been paid and how many have been appealed.

Response:

During the period 01/12/2017 – 31/12/2022, North Tyneside Council issued 5122 penalty charge notices to motorists parked illegally in on and off-street dedicated disabled bays.

Information regarding penalty charge notices that have been paid and appealed is not held in an extractable format. This information could only be obtained by interrogating each individual penalty charge notice.

Therefore, this part of the request is refused under section 12(1) Freedom of Information Act 2000, since the cost of complying would exceed the appropriate limit set out in the Freedom of Information and Data Protection (Appropriate Limit and Fees) Regulations 2004.

In assessing the cost of complying, the costs attributable to officer time involved in complying have been considered. Such costs are limited to £450.00 under the Regulations, which equates to eighteen hours of officer time.

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